



**KANSAS WORKS**

***"Your Workforce Network"***

# Strategic Priorities

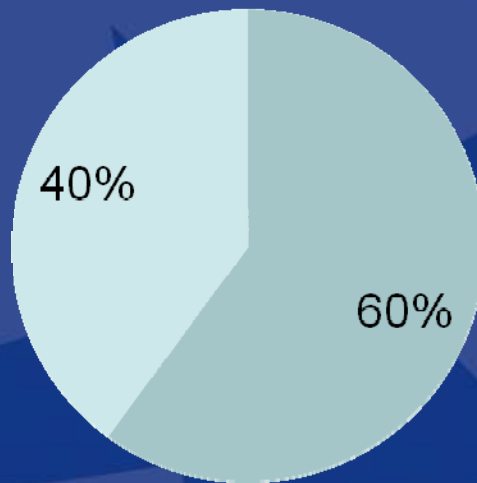
*Alignment with Economic Development*

Presentation to Kansas Postsecondary  
Technical Education Authority  
August 10, 2011

# Skill Alignment with Economy

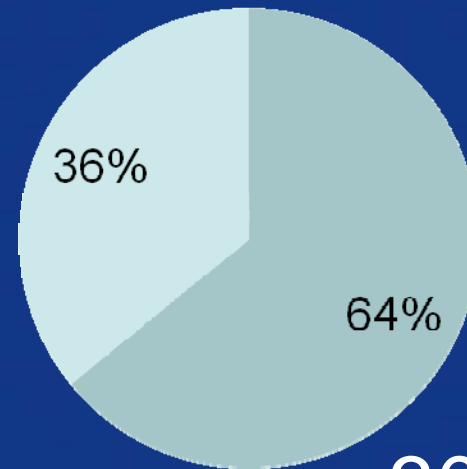
## Kansas Citizens - 2008

- less than Associate
- Associate and higher



## Kansas Jobs - 2018

- require postsecondary
- high school or less



301,000

\*Carnevale, Georgetown University Center on Education and Workforce.  
#US Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey

# Skills and Unemployment

Of the unemployed  
in Kansas...

3% -  
Associate

21% - 1 or 2  
yrs. college

53% - high school  
or less

53% are  
age 16 to 34

\*KDOL 2010

# Kansas Economic Drivers

- Industry cluster summits:
  - Advanced Manufacturing – aviation
  - Life Sciences & Animal Health
  - Energy – including wind and renewable
  - Professional services
- Governor's economic agenda

# Align training to jobs

- Over 4,000 job openings require technical training\*
- 1,600 openings require Associate degree\*

## By Occupational group:

- 2,900 Health care practitioners#
- 1,500 Installation, maintenance, repair#
- 1,400 Production#

\*KDOL Labor Market June 2011  
#KDOL Job Vacancy Survey 2010

# Collaborative Initiatives

- Shared position – KBOR/commerce
- EnergyNET – jointly funded
- State grants to colleges
- Shared competitive grants
- Common Interagency goals & state plans