

# Issues & Programs List

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Issues; Programs	Title / Programming Type	Date/Time/ Duration	Narrative
Agriculture: Kansas	With the Ogallala Aquifer drying up, Kansas ponders limits to irrigation	4/4/2023	Water levels in the Ogallala Aquifer continue to plummet as farm irrigation swallows an average of more than 2 billion gallons of groundwater per day statewide.
Agriculture: Kansas	<b>When a Kansas county wants people to plant milkweed but a city makes them rip it out.</b>	4/12/2023	Milkweed can sicken livestock when they eat enough of it. Animals tend to steer clear of the toxic plants, but accidental poisonings do happen.
Agriculture: Texas	More than 18,000 cows are dead after dairy farm explosion in Texas Panhandle	4/14/2023	The fire started Monday night at South Fork Dairy Farm in Dimmitt, about 66 miles south of Amarillo.
Politics/Education: Kansas	Kansas schools required to check student birth certificates if gender in question.	4/28/2023	When a student wants to join a men's or women's only school team and there is a question over their gender the school can check their birth certificate and make them serve on the team gender on their certificate.
Culture: Kansas	No place like home? The Wizard of Oz still shapes the world's view of Kansas for better and worse	5/2/2023	Having an enduring image from the Dust Bowl 1930s might also hold Kansas back from what it wants to be today.
Health: Kansas	Mpox is still a threat in Kansas	5/15/2023	Even though the global health emergency has been lifted doctors warn that "monkey pox" is still a threat.
Economic: Texas	Bills to build more homes — and lower housing costs — fail quietly in last days of Texas Legislation	5/24/2023	Although Texas builds more homes than any other state, it's not building enough to keep up with its massive population and economic growth.
Community: Kansas	Kansas legislature chips away at vaccine requirements	5/30/2023	Proposed is the elimination of requirements for daycare and allow more religious exemptions in general.

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Health: Texas	It's a hot tarantula summer: The spiders aren't dangerous; they're just looking for a mate	6/15/2023	Tarantulas are coming out of hiding in Central Texas after years of living underground. They've reached sexual maturity and are ready for some action.
Policy : Kansas	Abortion 'abolitionists' in Kansas and other states want to charge women with murder	6/22/2023	The anti-abortion movement is contending with a growing faction that calls for abortion patients to be criminally punished.
Healthcare: Kansas	A Kansas hospital looked to foreign nurses to ease a shortage, but federal law got in the way	6/28/2023	Hospitals across the country have recruited nurses from around the world to make up for U.S. labor shortages. But demand for international workers is delaying visas and slowing the flow of nurses able to come to Kansas.
Education: Kansas	Fort Hays State University is including business classes on victim advocacy.	6/30/2023	Up to 60% of abuse survivors lose their jobs because of trauma from the relationship. The courses help businesses think twice about why someone is struggling on the job.