County Facts: Adams County, CO
Population 503,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: Adams County 3.1%, CO 2.8%, United States 2.2%
- Poverty rate: Adams County 12.4%, CO 12.2%, United States 10.8%
- Median family income (000s): Adams County $67, CO $57, United States $57
- Population growth 2000-2017: Adams County 4.4%, CO 3.0%, United States 1.1%
- Manufacturing share of workforce: Adams County 30%, CO 16%, United States 7%
- Farming share of workforce: Adams County 8%, CO 7%, United States 6%
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): Adams County 3.6%, CO 3.6%, United States 4.7%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: Adams County 48%, CO 46%, United States 46%
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: Adams County 22%, CO 20%, United States 20%
- Percent achieving American Dream: Adams County 11%, CO 10%, United States 10%
- Percent giving birth as a teen: Adams County 24%, CO 17%, United States 17%
- Percent landing in jail: Adams County 2.1%, CO 1.5%, United States 1.5%
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): Adams County $6.4, CO $6.1, United States $5.3
## Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges

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| Front Range CC (public)*  | 51.3%                           |
| Colorado 2-year-college average | 12.5%                           |
| U.S. 2-year-college average   | 28.9%                           |

- *: Data refers to the full college system, not just this campus.
- †: In nearby county

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| Front Range CC (public)*  | 32.9%                           |
| Colorado 2-year-college average | 29.9%                           |
| U.S. 2-year-college average   | 32.9%                           |

## Local Demographics

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The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate (August 2018, BLS)
- Poverty rate (2012-2016 ACS)
- Median family income (2016 ACS)
- Manufacturing share of workforce (2012-2016 ACS)
- Farming share of workforce (2012-2016 ACS)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (BLS LAUS)

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college (2-yr or 4-yr, Tax Data 2, N/A for some counties)
- Percent reaching upper middle-class (top 20% of the U.S. income distribution, Tax Data 1, N/A for some counties)
- Percent achieving American Dream (share of local low-income kids—i.e. those with 25th-income-percentile parents—who reach the top 20% of the U.S. income distribution as adults, Tax Data 1, N/A for some counties)
- Percent (of local female kids) giving birth as a teen (Tax Data 1, N/A for some counties)
- Percent landing in jail (percent of local kids in jail on 1 April 2010, Tax Data 1 and 2010 Census, N/A for some counties)
- Local school expenditure per student (in public schools, NCES, N/A for some counties)

Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

- Low-income share of students (share of age-18-22 students with bottom-20% parents, Tax Data 2)
- Low-income student success rate (share of low-income age-18-22 students who reach the top 40% of the U.S. income distribution as adults, Tax Data 2)

Local Demographics

- Percent Black (2012-2016 ACS)
- Percent Hispanic (2012-2016 ACS)
- Percent over age 65 (2010 Census)
- Percent college grad (4-yr college, 2012-2016 ACS)
- Crime rate (serious violent and property arrests per 10,000 residents, FBI Uniform Crime Reports, N/A for some counties)
- Life expectancy (at age 40, Tax Data 3, N/A for some counties)
- Opioid deaths (per 10,000 residents in 2017, CDC, N/A for some counties and some counties report population weighted commuting zone average)

Sources Legend

- ACS: U.S. Census Bureau American Community Surveys, 2012-2016
- CDC: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics. Multiple Cause of Death 1999-2017 on CDC WONDER Online Database.
- Census: U.S. Census Bureau