County Facts: Allamakee County, IA
Population 14,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate 4.0% 3.1% 10.3%
Poverty rate 12.4% $56 $57
Median family income (000s) $58 $57 -5%
Population growth 2000-2017 16% 7%
Manufacturing share of workforce 18% 15%
Farming share of workforce 8.5% 4.3%
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp) 12.4% 3.4%

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college 57% 55%
Percent reaching upper-middle class 26% 26%
Percent achieving American Dream 16% 14%
Percent giving birth as a teen 12%
Percent landing in jail 0.2%
Local school expenditure per student (000s) $6.4 $5.7

Allamakee County IA United States
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 2.9%
- Low-income student success rate: 51.3%

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 9.7%
- Low-income student success rate: 32.8%

Loras College†

Iowa 4-year-college average

U.S. 4-year-college average

Iowa 2-year-college average

U.S. 2-year-college average

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: Allamakee County 1%, IA 4%, United States 14%
- Percent Hispanic: Allamakee County 2%, IA 2%, United States 6%
- Percent over age 65: Allamakee County 19.6%, IA 13.0%, United States 14.9%
- Percent college grad: Allamakee County 19%, IA 15%, United States 21%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): Allamakee County 66, IA 76, United States 66

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Definitions and Sources

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