County Facts: Asotin County, WA

Population 23,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 4.2% (Asotin County), 4.8% (WA), 4.4% (United States)
- Poverty rate: 21.3% (Asotin County), 26% (WA), 16% (United States)
- Median family income (000s): $66 (Asotin County), $57 (WA), $57 (United States)
- Population growth 2000-2017: 10% (Asotin County), 10% (WA), 9% (United States)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: $44 (Asotin County), $66 (WA), $57 (United States)
- Farming share of workforce: 10% (Asotin County), 10% (WA), 10.7% (United States)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 10% (Asotin County), 26% (WA), 16% (United States)

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 37% (Asotin County), 46% (WA), 47% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 19% (Asotin County), 23% (WA), 20% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 9% (Asotin County), 10% (WA), 9% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 14% (Asotin County), 17% (WA), 14% (United States)
- Percent landing in jail: 1.0% (Asotin County), 1.5% (WA), 1.0% (United States)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $5.6 (Asotin County), $6.4 (WA), $6.7 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students
  - Lewis-Clark State College (public): 12.5%
  - Washington 4-year-college average: 6.7%
  - U.S. 4-year-college average: 9.3%
- Low-income student success rate
  - Lewis-Clark State College (public): 51.0%
  - Washington 4-year-college average: 40.3%
  - U.S. 4-year-college average: 51.3%

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students
  - Washington 2-year-college average: 10.6%
  - U.S. 2-year-college average: 15.6%
- Low-income student success rate
  - Washington 2-year-college average: 36.2%
  - U.S. 2-year-college average: 32.9%

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black
  - Asotin County: 2%
  - WA: 5%
  - United States: 14%
- Percent Hispanic
  - Asotin County: 15%
  - WA: 12%
  - United States: 17%
- Percent over age 65
  - Asotin County: 19.3%
  - WA: 12.3%
  - United States: 13.0%
- Percent college grad
  - Asotin County: 23%
  - WA: 20%
  - United States: 21%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)
  - Asotin County: 94
  - WA: 76
  - United States: 101
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