County Facts: Beaufort County, NC
Population 47,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 5.1% for Beaufort County, NC, 4.5% for NC, 4.4% for United States
- Poverty rate: 16.9% for Beaufort County, NC, 15.9% for NC, 15.1% for United States
- Median family income (000s): $57 for Beaufort County, NC, $50 for NC, $45 for United States
- Population growth 2000-2017: 28% for Beaufort County, NC, 16% for NC, 5% for United States
- Manufacturing share of workforce: 12% for Beaufort County, NC, 10% for NC, 10% for United States
- Farming share of workforce: 3.2% for Beaufort County, NC, 1.5% for NC, 1.7% for United States
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 6.0% for Beaufort County, NC, 5.3% for NC, 4.7% for United States

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 46% for Beaufort County, NC, 46% for NC, 46% for United States
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 16% for Beaufort County, NC, 14% for NC, 12% for United States
- Percent achieving American Dream: 6% for Beaufort County, NC, 6% for NC, 6% for United States
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 22% for Beaufort County, NC, 20% for NC, 15% for United States
- Percent landing in jail: 1.5% for Beaufort County, NC, 1.5% for NC, 1.5% for United States
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $5.3 for Beaufort County, NC, $5.4 for NC, $6.4 for United States

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**Local Colleges and Upward Mobility**

### 4-Year Colleges
- Low-income share of students: 7.8%
- Low-income student success rate: 48.6%

### 2-Year Colleges
- Low-income share of students: 26.0%
- Low-income student success rate: 17.0%

**North Carolina 4-year-college average**
- Low-income share of students: 9.3%
- Low-income student success rate: 48.6%

**U.S. 4-year-college average**
- Low-income share of students: 15.6%
- Low-income student success rate: 32.9%

- **Beaufort County CC (public)**
  - Low-income share of students: 26.0%
  - Low-income student success rate: 15.6%

- **North Carolina 2-year-college average**
  - Low-income share of students: 14.9%
  - Low-income student success rate: 14.9%

- **U.S. 2-year-college average**
  - Low-income share of students: 22.7%
  - Low-income student success rate: 22.7%

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

**Local Demographics**

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**Beaufort County**
- Beaufort County CC (public)
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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