County Facts: Beauregard Parish, LA
Population 37,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: Beauregard Parish 5.3%, LA 4.4%, United States 5.1%
- Poverty rate: Beauregard Parish 14.8%, LA 14.5%, United States 15.5%
- Median family income (000s): Beauregard Parish $48, LA $45, United States $46
- Population growth 2000-2017: Beauregard Parish 16%, LA 12%, United States 4.5%
- Manufacturing share of workforce: Beauregard Parish 10%, LA 8%, United States 9.5%
- Farming share of workforce: Beauregard Parish 1.7%, LA 1.5%, United States 2%
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): Beauregard Parish 2.0%, LA 1.3%, United States 1.5%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: Beauregard Parish 30%, LA 40%, United States 46%
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: Beauregard Parish 30%, LA 20%, United States 20%
- Percent achieving American Dream: Beauregard Parish 13%, LA 10%, United States 10%
- Percent giving birth as a teen: Beauregard Parish 13%, LA 10%, United States 10%
- Percent landing in jail: Beauregard Parish 1.5%, LA 1.5%, United States 1.5%
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): Beauregard Parish $5.0, LA $4.8, United States $6.4
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 12.8%, 14.9%
- Low-income student success rate: 9.3%, 42.2%, 42.9%, 51.3%

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 14.9%, 15.6%, 24.6%
- Low-income student success rate: 23.3%, 21%

Legend:
- Mcneese State Univ. (public)*
- Louisiana 4-year-college average
- U.S. 4-year-college average
- Louisiana 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: 11%, 14%, 17%, 13.0%, 13.0%, 11%
- Percent Hispanic: 3%, 5%, 12.3%, 15%
- Percent over age 65: 3%, 11% 21%
- Percent college grad: 54, 76, 81.3
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): 81.7
- Life expectancy (years): 83.2

Legend:
- Beauregard Parish
- LA
- United States
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