County Facts: Bennett County, SD
Population 3,000

The Local Economy

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**Local Colleges and Upward Mobility**

### 4-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: 7.2%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 50.1%
- **South Dakota 4-year-college average**: 9.3%
- **U.S. 4-year-college average**: 51.3%

### 2-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: 11.0%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 32.9%
- **South Dakota 2-year-college average**: 15.6%
- **U.S. 2-year-college average**: 42.2%

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

**Local Demographics**

- **Percent Black**: Bennett County: 1%, SD: 2%, United States: 14%
- **Percent Hispanic**: Bennett County: 3%, SD: 3%, United States: 17%
- **Percent over age 65**: Bennett County: 11.2%, SD: 19%, United States: 13.0%
- **Percent college grad**: Bennett County: 13%, SD: 19%, United States: 19%
- **Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)**: Bennett County: 61, SD: 76, United States: 76
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