County Facts: Boone County, KY
Population 131,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate | Boone County: 3.9% | KY: 4.4% | United States: 4.7%
Poverty rate | Boone County: 8.6% | KY: 5.1% | United States: 3.9%
Median family income (000s) | Boone County: $72 | KY: $57 | United States: $46
Population growth 2000-2017 | Boone County: 52% | KY: 16% | United States: 10%
Manufacturing share of workforce | Boone County: 15% | KY: 10% | United States: 10%
Farming share of workforce | Boone County: 1.7% | KY: 1.7% | United States: 4.5%
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp) | Boone County: 4.9% | KY: 4.7% | United States: 4.9%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college | Boone County: 50% | KY: 46% | United States: 43%
Percent reaching upper-middle class | Boone County: 23% | KY: 17% | United States: 17%
Percent achieving American Dream | Boone County: 10% | KY: 9% | United States: 7%
Percent giving birth as a teen | Boone County: 21% | KY: 20% | United States: 16%
Percent landing in jail | Boone County: 0.8% | KY: 0.8% | United States: 0.8%
Local school expenditure per student (000s) | Boone County: $7.4 | KY: $6.4 | United States: $6.4
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: U of Cincinnati (public)† - 6.5%, Kentucky 4-year-college average - 9.8%, U.S. 4-year-college average - 9.3%
- **Low-income student success rate**: U of Cincinnati (public)† - 39.1%, Kentucky 4-year-college average - 38.4%, U.S. 4-year-college average - 39.1%

### 2-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: Cincinnati State Tech & CC (public)† - 12.7%, Kentucky 2-year-college average - 11.3%, U.S. 2-year-college average - 15.6%
- **Low-income student success rate**: Cincinnati State Tech & CC (public)† - 11.3%, Kentucky 2-year-college average - 25.3%, U.S. 2-year-college average - 28.2%

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

Local Demographics

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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