County Facts: Breckinridge County, KY
Population 20,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 5.9% (Breckinridge County), 4.9% (KY), 4.7% (United States)
- Poverty rate: 16.6% (Breckinridge County), 15.1% (KY), 14.7% (United States)
- Median family income (000s): $57 (Breckinridge County), $49 (KY), $53 (United States)
- Population growth 2000-2017: 8% (Breckinridge County), 10% (KY), 16% (United States)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: 14% (Breckinridge County), 13% (KY), 14% (United States)
- Farming share of workforce: 2.0% (Breckinridge County), 1.7% (KY), 1.7% (United States)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 1.5% (Breckinridge County), 1.4% (KY), 1.5% (United States)

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 32% (Breckinridge County), 46% (KY), 43% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 15% (Breckinridge County), 17% (KY), 15% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 7% (Breckinridge County), 10% (KY), 10% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 21% (Breckinridge County), 22% (KY), 15% (United States)
- Percent landing in jail: 1.5% (Breckinridge County), 1.4% (KY), 1.4% (United States)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $6.9 (Breckinridge County), $6.4 (KY), $6.1 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 9.8%
- Low-income student success rate: 51.3%

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 11.3%
- Low-income student success rate: 15.6%

Kentucky 4-year-college average: 9.8% 38.4%
U.S. 4-year-college average: 9.3% 51.3%

Kentucky 2-year-college average: 11.3% 28.2%
U.S. 2-year-college average: 15.6% 32.9%

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black
  - Breckinridge County: 11%
  - KY: 9%
  - United States: 14%

- Percent Hispanic
  - Breckinridge County: 4%
  - KY: 3%
  - United States: 17%

- Percent over age 65
  - Breckinridge County: 13.3%
  - KY: 13.0%
  - United States: 15.6%

- Percent college grad
  - Breckinridge County: 16%
  - KY: 12%
  - United States: 21%

- Crime rate (arrests per 10k residents)
  - Breckinridge County: 37
  - KY: 72
  - United States: 76

- Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents)
  - Breckinridge County: 14
  - KY: 15
  - United States: 26
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