County Facts: Buckingham County, VA
Population 17,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate: Buckingham County 5.4%, VA 3.7%, United States 4.4%
Poverty rate: Buckingham County 19.3%, VA 11.4%, United States 15.1%
Median family income (000s): Buckingham County $67, VA $57, United States $41
Population growth 2000-2017: Buckingham County 19.3%, VA 9%, United States 16%
Manufacturing share of workforce: Buckingham County 11%, VA 7%, United States 10%
Farming share of workforce: Buckingham County 10%, VA 1.7%, United States 3.7%
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): Buckingham County 4.7%, VA 3.1%, United States 4.1%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college: Buckingham County 29%, VA 46%, United States 50%
Percent reaching upper-middle class: Buckingham County 13%, VA 20%, United States 23%
Percent achieving American Dream: Buckingham County 5%, VA 10%, United States 11%
Percent giving birth as a teen: Buckingham County 2.3%, VA 1.8%, United States 1.5%
Percent landing in jail: Buckingham County 17%, VA 20%, United States 20%
Local school expenditure per student (000s): Buckingham County $6.4, VA $6.4, United States $5.3
### Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

#### 4-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**: 2.8%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 6.4%

#### 2-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**: 7.3%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 13.0%

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**U of Virginia (public)†**
- Low-income share of students: 2.8%
- Low-income student success rate: 6.4%

**Virginia 4-year-college average**
- Low-income share of students: 9.3%
- Low-income student success rate: 59.2%

**U.S. 4-year-college average**
- Low-income share of students: 69.4%
- Low-income student success rate: 51.3%

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**Germanna CC (public)†**
- Low-income share of students: 7.3%
- Low-income student success rate: 13.0%

**Virginia 2-year-college average**
- Low-income share of students: 15.6%
- Low-income student success rate: 37.3%

**U.S. 2-year-college average**
- Low-income share of students: 35.3%
- Low-income student success rate: 32.9%

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

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### Local Demographics

- **Percent Black**: Buckingham County: 37%, VA: 21%, United States: 14%
- **Percent Hispanic**: Buckingham County: 2%, VA: 9%, United States: 2%
- **Percent over age 65**: Buckingham County: 13%, VA: 12.2%, United States: 11%
- **Percent college grad**: Buckingham County: 26%, VA: 21%, United States: 37
- **Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)**: Buckingham County: 37, VA: 48, United States: 15
- **Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents)**: Buckingham County: 15, VA: 15, United States: 15

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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