County Facts: Cameron Parish, LA
Population 7,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: Cameron Parish - 3.6%, Louisiana - 4.4%, United States - 5.3%
- Poverty rate: Cameron Parish - 19.9%, Louisiana - 9.6%, United States - 19.6%
- Median family income (000s): Cameron Parish - $41, Louisiana - $45, United States - $57
- Population growth 2000-2017: Cameron Parish - -31%, Louisiana - 5%, United States - 16%
- Manufacturing share of workforce: Cameron Parish - 9%, Louisiana - 8%, United States - 16%
- Farming share of workforce: Cameron Parish - 10%, Louisiana - 12%, United States - 17%
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): Cameron Parish - 1.2%, Louisiana - 1.3%, United States - 4.7%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: Cameron Parish - 44%, Louisiana - 40%, United States - 46%
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: Cameron Parish - 29%, Louisiana - 20%, United States - 29%
- Percent achieving American Dream: Cameron Parish - 22%, Louisiana - 10%, United States - 10%
- Percent giving birth as a teen: Cameron Parish - 27%, Louisiana - 20%, United States - 10%
- Percent landing in jail: Cameron Parish - 2.0%, Louisiana - 1.5%, United States - 1.0%
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): Cameron Parish - $5.6, Louisiana - $4.8, United States - $6.4
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Mcneese State Univ. (public)
- Louisiana 4-year-college average
- U.S. 4-year-college average

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2-Year Colleges

- Louisiana 2-year-college average
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*: Data refers to the full college system, not just this campus. †: In nearby county

Local Demographics

- Percent Black
- Percent Hispanic
- Percent over age 65
- Percent college grad
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)

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Cameron Parish, LA

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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