County Facts: Carroll County, GA
Population 118,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate
Carroll County: 5.0%
GA: 4.7%
United States: 4.4%

Poverty rate
Carroll County: 19.4%
GA: 7.8%
United States: 5.1%

Median family income (000s)
Carroll County: $57
GA: $53
United States: $52

Population growth 2000-2017
Carroll County: 35%
GA: 27%
United States: 16%

Manufacturing share of workforce
Carroll County: 16%
GA: 11%
United States: 10%

Farming share of workforce
Carroll County: 16%
GA: 13%
United States: 1.3%

Great Recession unemployment spike (pp)
Carroll County: 7.1%
GA: 5.4%
United States: 4.7%

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college
Carroll County: 46%
GA: 43%
United States: 35%

Percent reaching upper-middle class
Carroll County: 20%
GA: 16%
United States: 16%

Percent achieving American Dream
Carroll County: 10%
GA: 7%
United States: 6%

Percent giving birth as a teen
Carroll County: 29%
GA: 25%
United States: 20%

Percent landing in jail
Carroll County: 2.2%
GA: 1.9%
United States: 1.5%

Local school expenditure per student (000s)
Carroll County: $6.4
GA: $5.9
United States: $5.3
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- U of W. Georgia (public)
- Georgia 4-year-college average
- U.S. 4-year-college average

2-Year Colleges

- W. Georgia Tech College (public)†
- Georgia 2-year-college average
- U.S. 2-year-college average

*: 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)
- Life expectancy (years)
- Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents)

* Carroll County  ** GA  *** United States
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