County Facts: Carroll County, IA
Population 20,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 2.3% (Carroll County), 3.1% (IA), 4.4% (United States)
- Poverty rate: 12.1% (Carroll County), 12.4% (IA), 15.1% (United States)
- Median family income (000s): $51 (Carroll County), $56 (IA), $57 (United States)
- Population growth 2000-2017: -5% (Carroll County), 7% (IA), 16% (United States)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: 15% (Carroll County), 18% (IA), 8.8% (United States)
- Farming share of workforce: 10% (Carroll County), 15% (IA), 17% (United States)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 1.5% (Carroll County), 1.6% (IA), 2.8% (United States)

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 60% (Carroll County), 55% (IA), 46% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 34% (Carroll County), 26% (IA), 20% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 24% (Carroll County), 14% (IA), 10% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 20% (Carroll County), 14% (IA), 7% (United States)
- Percent landing in jail: 1.5% (Carroll County), 0.7% (IA), 0.6% (United States)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $6.4 (Carroll County), $5.7 (IA), $6.1 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**: 4.6%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 51.3%

### 2-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**: 9.7%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 32.8%

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

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Local Demographics

- **Percent Black**: Carroll County - 2%, IA - 4%, United States - 14%
- **Percent Hispanic**: Carroll County - 10%, IA - 6%, United States - 17%
- **Percent over age 65**: Carroll County - 18.6%, IA - 13.0%, United States - 14.9%
- **Percent college grad**: Carroll County - 21%, IA - 13%, United States - 19%
- **Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)**: Carroll County - 24, IA - 66, United States - 76
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