County Facts: Carter County, OK
Population 48,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate: 4.6% in Carter County, 4.3% in OK, and 4.7% in the United States.
Poverty rate: 15.9% in Carter County, 16.4% in OK, and 15.1% in the United States.
Median family income (000s): $57 in Carter County, $49 in OK, and $46 in the United States.
Population growth 2000-2017: 4.6% in Carter County, 5.1% in OK, and 6% in the United States.
Manufacturing share of workforce: 14% in Carter County, 6% in OK, and 10% in the United States.
Farming share of workforce: 16% in Carter County, 10% in OK, and 10% in the United States.
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 4.7% in Carter County, 1.7% in OK, and 2.3% in the United States.

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college: 36% in Carter County, 39% in OK, and 46% in the United States.
Percent reaching upper-middle class: 18% in Carter County, 19% in OK, and 20% in the United States.
Percent achieving American Dream: 10% in Carter County, 10% in OK, and 10% in the United States.
Percent giving birth as a teen: 10% in Carter County, 23% in OK, and 26% in the United States.
Percent landing in jail: 1.7% in Carter County, 1.6% in OK, and 1.5% in the United States.
Local school expenditure per student (000s): $5.0 in Carter County, $4.8 in OK, and $6.4 in the United States.
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

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- **Oklahoma 4-year-college average**: 16.7%
- **U.S. 4-year-college average**: 15.6%
- **Oklahoma 2-year-college average**: 15.6%
- **U.S. 2-year-college average**: 32.9%

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

Local Demographics

- **Percent Black**: 6% (Carter County), 9% (OK), 6% (United States)
- **Percent Hispanic**: 7% (Carter County), 10% (OK), 7% (United States)
- **Percent over age 65**: 14% (Carter County), 14.9% (OK), 13.5% (United States)
- **Percent college grad**: 13% (Carter County), 16% (OK), 13% (United States)
- **Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)**: 66 (Carter County), 76 (OK), 80.2 (United States)
- **Life expectancy (years)**: 80.2 (Carter County), 81.5 (OK), 83.2 (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