**County Facts: Chambers County, AL**
Population 34,000

### The Local Economy

- **Unemployment rate**
  - Chambers County: 4.1%
  - AL: 4.4%
  - United States: 5.1%
- **Poverty rate**
  - Chambers County: 8.4%
  - AL: 10%
  - United States: 16%
- **Median family income (000s)**
  - Chambers County: $42
  - AL: $46
  - United States: $57
- **Population growth 2000-2017**
  - Chambers County: -8%
  - AL: 10%
  - United States: 16%
- **Manufacturing share of workforce**
  - Chambers County: 21%
  - AL: 14%
  - United States: 10%
- **Farming share of workforce**
  - Chambers County: 1.5%
  - AL: 1.5%
  - United States: 1.7%
- **Great Recession unemployment spike (pp)**
  - Chambers County: 4.7%
  - AL: 5.4%
  - United States: 7.1%

### How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- **Percent graduating any college**
  - Chambers County: 34%
  - AL: 41%
  - United States: 46%
- **Percent reaching upper-middle class**
  - Chambers County: 8%
  - AL: 15%
  - United States: 20%
- **Percent achieving American Dream**
  - Chambers County: 4%
  - AL: 6%
  - United States: 10%
- **Percent giving birth as a teen**
  - Chambers County: 27%
  - AL: 20%
  - United States: 1.5%
- **Percent landing in jail**
  - Chambers County: 1.5%
  - AL: 1.5%
  - United States: 1.7%
- **Local school expenditure per student (000s)**
  - Chambers County: $5.1
  - AL: $4.8
  - United States: $6.4
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

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- **U of W. Georgia (public)†**: U of W. Georgia (public)
- **Alabama 4-year-college average**: Average of Alabama 4-year colleges
- **U.S. 4-year-college average**: Average of U.S. 4-year colleges

- **W. Georgia Tech College (public)†**: W. Georgia Tech College
- **Alabama 2-year-college average**: Average of Alabama 2-year colleges
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*: Data refers to the full college system, not just this campus. †: In nearby county

Local Demographics

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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