County Facts: Clay County, IN
Population 26,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: Clay County 3.8%, IN 3.5%, United States 4.4%
- Poverty rate: Clay County 14.7%, IN 15.1%, United States 5.1%
- Median family income (000s): Clay County $50, IN $52, United States $57
- Population growth 2000-2017: Clay County -1%, IN 16%, United States 15.1%
- Manufacturing share of workforce: Clay County 22%, IN 19%, United States 15.1%
- Farming share of workforce: Clay County 3.7%, IN 1.7%, United States 4.7%
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): Clay County 10%, IN 16%, United States 22%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: Clay County 47%, IN 45%, United States 46%
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: Clay County 20%, IN 18%, United States 7%
- Percent achieving American Dream: Clay County 21%, IN 20%, United States 8%
- Percent giving birth as a teen: Clay County 7%, IN 8%, United States 10%
- Percent landing in jail: Clay County 21%, IN 20%, United States 16%
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): Clay County $6.7, IN $6.4, United States $6.0

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### 4-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**: Clay County (IN) - 6.7%, IN State Univ. (public)† - 14.0%, U.S. 4-year-college average - 15.6%
- **Low-income student success rate**: Clay County (IN) - 5.4%, IN State Univ. (public)† - 14.0%, U.S. 4-year-college average - 15.6%

### 2-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**: Clay County (IN) - 9.3%, IN State Univ. (public)† - 24.5%, U.S. 2-year-college average - 26.0%
- **Low-income student success rate**: Clay County (IN) - 46.1%, IN State Univ. (public)† - 76.0%, U.S. 2-year-college average - 83.2%

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

Local Demographics

- **Percent Black**: Clay County (IN) - 2%, IN - 10%, United States - 14%
- **Percent Hispanic**: Clay County (IN) - 1%, IN - 6%, United States - 17%
- **Percent over age 65**: Clay County (IN) - 3%, IN - 30%, United States - 11%
- **Percent college grad**: Clay County (IN) - 13%, IN - 17%, United States - 21%
- **Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)**: Clay County (IN) - 55, IN - 76, United States - 82.0
- **Life expectancy (years)**: Clay County (IN) - 81.3, IN - 82.0, United States - 83.2
- **Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents)**: Clay County (IN) - 18, IN - 15, United States - 26
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