County Facts: Columbia County, OR
Population 52,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate 5.2% 4.1% 4.4%
Poverty rate 15.6% 15.2% 5.1%
Median family income (000s) $56 $50 $57
Population growth 2000-2017 21% 19% 16%
Manufacturing share of workforce 11% 10% 10%
Farming share of workforce 5.1% 3.9% 1.7%
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp) 6.3% 5.9% 4.7%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college 45% 46% 36%
Percent reaching upper-middle class 20% 20% 19%
Percent achieving American Dream 10% 10% 10%
Percent giving birth as a teen 17% 15% 10%
Percent landing in jail 1.3% 1.0% 1.5%
Local school expenditure per student (000s) $6.4 $6.3 $6.0

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Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**
  - Portland State Univ. (public): 8.3%
  - Oregon 4-year-college average: 6.2%
  - U.S. 4-year-college average: 9.3%

- **Low-income student success rate**
  - Portland State Univ. (public): 51.9%
  - Oregon 4-year-college average: 45.5%
  - U.S. 4-year-college average: 51.3%

### 2-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**
  - Portland CC (public): 11.2%
  - Oregon 2-year-college average: 12.4%
  - U.S. 2-year-college average: 15.6%

- **Low-income student success rate**
  - Portland CC (public): 12.4%
  - Oregon 2-year-college average: 28.3%
  - U.S. 2-year-college average: 28.6%

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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