The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: Dallas County 3.8%, TX 4.3%, United States 4.7%
- Poverty rate: Dallas County 18.6%, TX 6.6%, United States 5.1%
- Median family income (000s): Dallas County $54, TX $56, United States $57
- Population growth 2000-2017: Dallas County 18.6%, TX 18%, United States 16%
- Manufacturing share of workforce: Dallas County 16%, TX 9%, United States 9%
- Farming share of workforce: Dallas County 10%, TX 1.1%, United States 1.7%
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): Dallas County 4.7%, TX 4.4%, United States 3.3%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: Dallas County 40%, TX 41%, United States 46%
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: Dallas County 17%, TX 20%, United States 20%
- Percent achieving American Dream: Dallas County 7%, TX 10%, United States 10%
- Percent giving birth as a teen: Dallas County 25%, TX 20%, United States 2%
- Percent landing in jail: Dallas County 1.9%, TX 1.5%, United States 2.4%
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): Dallas County $6.4, TX $5.8, United States $6.0
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- UT Dallas (public)
- Texas 4-year-college average
- U.S. 4-year-college average

- Low-income share of students: 5.8%
- Low-income student success rate: 13.6%
- 4-Year Colleges: 65.2%
- Low-income student success rate: 56.0%
- Low-income share of students: 51.3%

2-Year Colleges

- Richland College (public)*
- Texas 2-year-college average
- U.S. 2-year-college average

- Low-income share of students: 15.4%
- Low-income student success rate: 17.5%
- 2-Year Colleges: 37.9%
- Low-income student success rate: 15.8%
- Low-income share of students: 32.9%

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: 24%
- Percent Hispanic: 40%
- Percent over age 65: 13%
- Percent college grad: 21%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10k residents): 83
- Life expectancy (years): 83.2
- Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents): 15

- Percent Black: 13%
- Percent Hispanic: 17%
- Percent over age 65: 8.8%
- Percent college grad: 19%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10k residents): 71
- Life expectancy (years): 82.7
- Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents): 6

- Percent Black: 14%
- Percent Hispanic: 17%
- Percent over age 65: 8.8%
- Percent college grad: 18%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10k residents): 71
- Life expectancy (years): 82.7
- Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents): 5

- Dallas County
- TX
- United States
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