County Facts: Grainger County, TN
Population 23,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: Grainger County 4.2%, TN 3.7%, United States 5.1%
- Poverty rate: Grainger County 7.3%, TN 5.1%, United States 5.1%
- Median family income (000s): Grainger County $48, TN $39, United States $39
- Population growth 2000-2017: Grainger County 12%, TN 16%, United States 12%
- Manufacturing share of workforce: Grainger County 18%, TN 16%, United States 16%
- Farming share of workforce: Grainger County 22%, TN 10%, United States 10%
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): Grainger County 1.6%, TN 1.0%, United States 1.7%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: Grainger County 46%, TN 40%, United States 40%
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: Grainger County 20%, TN 15%, United States 15%
- Percent achieving American Dream: Grainger County 10%, TN 6%, United States 6%
- Percent giving birth as a teen: Grainger County 25%, TN 20%, United States 20%
- Percent landing in jail: Grainger County 1.9%, TN 1.5%, United States 1.5%
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): Grainger County $4.3, TN $4.9, United States $6.4
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: 9.4%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 51.3%

### 2-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: 18.4%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 27.2%

### Local Demographics

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