County Facts: Hamblen County, TN
Population 64,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate: 4.0% (Hamblen County), 3.7% (TN), 4.4% (US)
Poverty rate: 7.3% (Hamblen County), 5.1% (TN), 7.1% (US)
Median family income (000s): $39 (Hamblen County), $48 (TN), $57 (US)
Population growth 2000-2017: 11% (Hamblen County), 16% (TN), 18% (US)
Manufacturing share of workforce: 22% (Hamblen County), 13% (TN), 10% (US)
Farming share of workforce: 1.6% (Hamblen County), 1.0% (TN), 1.7% (US)
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 5.7% (Hamblen County), 4.7% (TN), 7.1% (US)

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college: 46% (Hamblen County), 40% (TN), 46% (US)
Percent reaching upper-middle class: 20% (Hamblen County), 15% (TN), 20% (US)
Percent achieving American Dream: 10% (Hamblen County), 6% (TN), 10% (US)
Percent giving birth as a teen: 25% (Hamblen County), 20% (TN), 25% (US)
Percent landing in jail: 2.4% (Hamblen County), 1.9% (TN), 2.4% (US)
Local school expenditure per student (000s): $4.8 (Hamblen County), $4.9 (TN), $6.4 (US)
**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: 32.9%

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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