County Facts: Haywood County, NC
Population 61,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 4.1% (Haywood County), 4.5% (NC), 4.4% (United States)
- Poverty rate: 18.2% (Haywood County), 16.9% (NC), 15.1% (United States)
- Median family income (000s): $57 (Haywood County), $50 (NC), $57 (United States)
- Population growth 2000-2017: 4.4% (Haywood County), 13% (NC), 10% (United States)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: 28% (Haywood County), 16% (NC), 10% (United States)
- Farming share of workforce: 12% (Haywood County), 10% (NC), 10% (United States)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 1.9% (Haywood County), 1.5% (NC), 1.7% (United States)

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 51% (Haywood County), 46% (NC), 46% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 46% (Haywood County), 16% (NC), 14% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 6% (Haywood County), 6% (NC), 6% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 20% (Haywood County), 19% (NC), 20% (United States)
- Percent landing in jail: 1.5% (Haywood County), 0.7% (NC), 1.5% (United States)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $6.4 (Haywood County), $5.4 (NC), $5.4 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**: 7.8%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 48.6%

### 2-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**: 15.6%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 17.0%

**Data Sources**

- **U of N. Carolina Asheville (public)†**
- **North Carolina 4-year-college average**
- **U.S. 4-year-college average**

- **Haywood CC (public)**
- **North Carolina 2-year-college average**
- **U.S. 2-year-college average**

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

Local Demographics

- **Percent Black**: 23%
- **Percent Hispanic**: 17%
- **Percent over age 65**: 21.0%
- **Percent college grad**: 21%
- **Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)**: 103
- **Life expectancy (years)**: 83.2
- **Opioid deaths (deaths per 10K residents)**: 26

**Data Sources**

- **Haywood County**
- **NC**
- **United States**
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