County Facts: Irwin County, GA
Population 9,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 7.1% (Irwin County), 4.7% (GA), 4.4% (United States)
- Poverty rate: 26.5% (Irwin County), 7.8% (GA), 5.1% (United States)
- Median family income (000s): $57 (Irwin County), $53 (GA), $35 (United States)
- Population growth 2000-2017: 27% (Irwin County), 16% (GA), -5% (United States)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: 12% (Irwin County), 11% (GA), 10% (United States)
- Farming share of workforce: 6.6% (Irwin County), 13% (GA), 1.7% (United States)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 8.9% (Irwin County), 5.4% (GA), 4.7% (United States)

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 30% (Irwin County), 46% (GA), 43% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 10% (Irwin County), 16% (GA), 6% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 6% (Irwin County), 6% (GA), 25% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 6% (Irwin County), 20% (GA), 25% (United States)
- Percent landing in jail: 2% (Irwin County), 1.5% (GA), 2% (United States)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $5.1 (Irwin County), $5.9 (GA), $6.4 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**: 9.1% (Georgia) vs. 9.3% (U.S.)
- **Low-income student success rate**: 48.2% (Georgia) vs. 51.3% (U.S.)

### 2-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students**: 15.6% (Georgia) vs. 23.5% (U.S.)
- **Low-income student success rate**: 22.9% (Georgia) vs. 32.9% (U.S.)

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

Local Demographics

- **Percent Black**: 30% (Irwin County) vs. 32% (GA) vs. 14% (United States)
- **Percent Hispanic**: 17% (Irwin County) vs. 9% (GA) vs. 7% (United States)
- **Percent over age 65**: 15.6% (Irwin County) vs. 10.7% (GA) vs. 13.0% (United States)
- **Percent college grad**: 19% (Irwin County) vs. 9% (GA) vs. 21% (United States)
- **Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)**: 54 (Irwin County) vs. 84 (GA) vs. 76 (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