County Facts: Jefferson County, PA
Population 44,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate: 5.6% (Jefferson County), 4.9% (PA), 4.4% (United States)
Poverty rate: 15.3% (Jefferson County), 15.1% (PA), 13.3% (United States)
Median family income (000s): $56 (Jefferson County), $57 (PA), $57 (United States)
Population growth 2000-2017: 16% (Jefferson County), 17% (PA), 18% (United States)
Manufacturing share of workforce: 12% (Jefferson County), 10% (PA), 12% (United States)
Farming share of workforce: 1.8% (Jefferson County), 1.7% (PA), 3.8% (United States)
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 1.2% (Jefferson County), 1.3% (PA), 1.5% (United States)

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college: 53% (Jefferson County), 46% (PA), 20% (United States)
Percent reaching upper-middle class: 25% (Jefferson County), 20% (PA), 20% (United States)
Percent achieving American Dream: 12% (Jefferson County), 11% (PA), 10% (United States)
Percent giving birth as a teen: 1.4% (Jefferson County), 1.3% (PA), 1.3% (United States)
Percent landing in jail: 1.3% (Jefferson County), 1.3% (PA), 1.3% (United States)
Local school expenditure per student (000s): $7.7 (Jefferson County), $7.1 (PA), $6.4 (United States)
## Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Low-income share of students</th>
<th>Low-income student success rate</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Penn State (public)†</td>
<td>5.8% 6.0%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pennsylvania 4-year-college average</td>
<td>53.8% 51.3%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>U.S. 4-year-college average</td>
<td>45.5%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 2-Year Colleges

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Low-income share of students</th>
<th>Low-income student success rate</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Triangle Tech (for-profit)*</td>
<td>17.5% 13.2%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pennsylvania 2-year-college average</td>
<td>15.6% 31.3%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>U.S. 2-year-college average</td>
<td>32.9%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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

## Local Demographics

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Percent Black</th>
<th>Percent Hispanic</th>
<th>Percent over age 65</th>
<th>Percent college grad</th>
<th>Crime rate (arrests per 10k residents)</th>
<th>Life expectancy (years)</th>
<th>Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Jefferson County</td>
<td>PA</td>
<td>United States</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3%</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>17%</td>
<td>18.3%</td>
<td>21%</td>
<td>51</td>
<td>83.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14%</td>
<td>6%</td>
<td>18.3%</td>
<td>12%</td>
<td>21%</td>
<td>75</td>
<td>83.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12%</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>12%</td>
<td>3.0%</td>
<td>18.3%</td>
<td>76</td>
<td>11</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*Percent Black: Jefferson County 3%, PA 12%, United States 14%.
*Percent Hispanic: Jefferson County 6%, PA 6%, United States 6%.
*Percent over age 65: Jefferson County 17%, PA 18.3%, United States 18.3%.
*Percent college grad: Jefferson County 12%, PA 12%, United States 12%.
*Crime rate (arrests per 10k residents): Jefferson County 51, PA 75, United States 76.
*Life expectancy (years): Jefferson County 83.0, PA 83.3, United States 83.3.
*Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents): Jefferson County 11, PA 15, United States 15.
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