County Facts: Jerome County, ID
Population 24,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 2.7% (Jerome County), 3.2% (ID), 5.5% (United States)
- Poverty rate: 15.2% (Jerome County), 15.0% (ID), 15.1% (United States)
- Median family income (000s): $45 (Jerome County), $50 (ID), $57 (United States)
- Population growth 2000-2017: 4.4% (Jerome County), 33% (ID), 16% (United States)
- Manufacture share of workforce: 15.0% (Jerome County), 15.0% (ID), 10% (United States)
- Farming share of workforce: 4.7% (Jerome County), 5.5% (ID), 4.7% (United States)
- Great Recession unemployment spike: 1.7% (Jerome County), 4.7% (ID), 4.7% (United States)

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 41% (Jerome County), 44% (ID), 46% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 17% (Jerome County), 18% (ID), 20% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 10% (Jerome County), 10% (ID), 11% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 1.3% (Jerome County), 1.2% (ID), 1.5% (United States)
- Percent landing in jail: 20% (Jerome County), 17% (ID), 1.7% (United States)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $4.2 (Jerome County), $4.9 (ID), $6.4 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: Idaho 4-year-college average 5.9%, U.S. 4-year-college average 9.3%
- Low-income student success rate: Idaho 4-year-college average 35.9%, U.S. 4-year-college average 51.3%

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: Idaho 2-year-college average 13.0%, U.S. 2-year-college average 13.6%
- Low-income student success rate: Idaho 2-year-college average 15.6%, U.S. 2-year-college average 27.8%

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: Jerome County 1%, ID 1%, United States 14%
- Percent Hispanic: Jerome County 12%, ID 17%, United States 26%
- Percent over age 65: Jerome County 11.2%, ID 12.4%, United States 13.0%
- Percent college grad: Jerome County 14%, ID 17%, United States 21%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): Jerome County 70, ID 75, United States 76
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