County Facts: Kearny County, KS
Population 4,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate: 2.5% Kearny County, 3.6% KS, 2.5% United States
Poverty rate: 13.7% Kearny County, 13.1% KS, 10.0% United States
Median family income (000s): $51 Kearny County, $55 KS, $57 United States
Population growth 2000-2017: -12% Kearny County, 8% KS, 16% United States
Manufacturing share of workforce: 16% Kearny County, 12% KS, 10% United States
Farming share of workforce: 16% Kearny County, 10% KS, 3.1% United States
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 16% Kearny County, 12% KS, 12% United States

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college: 53% Kearny County, 50% KS, 46% United States
Percent reaching upper-middle class: 22% Kearny County, 20% KS, 16% United States
Percent achieving American Dream: 11% Kearny County, 10% KS, 9% United States
Percent giving birth as a teen: 26% Kearny County, 18% KS, 10% United States
Percent landing in jail: 1.4% Kearny County, 1.2% KS, 1.5% United States
Local school expenditure per student (000s): $9.0 Kearny County, $6.4 KS, $6.4 United States
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges
- Low-income share of students: 5.6% for Kansas, 9.3% for U.S.
- Low-income student success rate: 48.4% for Kansas, 51.3% for U.S.

### 2-Year Colleges
- Low-income share of students: 14.5% for Kansas, 11.8% for U.S.
- Low-income student success rate: 30.2% for Kansas, 31.9% for U.S.

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: 3% for Kearny County, 7% for KS, 11% for U.S.
- Percent Hispanic: 14% for Kearny County, 45% for KS, 17% for U.S.
- Percent over age 65: 13.5% for Kearny County, 13.2% for KS, 13.0% for U.S.
- Percent college grad: 21% for Kearny County, 21% for KS, 11% for U.S.
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): 76 for Kearny County, 31 for KS, 34 for U.S.

**Note:** Local Demographics for Kearny County, KS, and 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