County Facts: Kings County, NY
Population 2,649,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate: 4.6% (Kings County), 4.4% (NY), 4.7% (United States)
Poverty rate: 22.8% (Kings County), 15.4% (NY), 15.1% (United States)
Median family income (000s): $57 (Kings County), $54 (NY), $62 (United States)
Population growth 2000-2017: 16% (Kings County), 7% (NY), 5% (United States)
Manufacturing share of workforce: 4% (Kings County), 6% (NY), 4% (United States)
Farming share of workforce: 0.1% (Kings County), 0.7% (NY), 0.7% (United States)
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 4% (Kings County), 3.8% (NY), 3.8% (United States)

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college: 48% (Kings County), 46% (NY), 48% (United States)
Percent reaching upper-middle class: 17% (Kings County), 17% (NY), 17% (United States)
Percent achieving American Dream: 12% (Kings County), 10% (NY), 10% (United States)
Percent giving birth as a teen: 20% (Kings County), 14% (NY), 14% (United States)
Percent landing in jail: 1.4% (Kings County), 0.9% (NY), 0.9% (United States)
Local school expenditure per student (000s): $9.6 (Kings County), $6.4 (NY), $6.4 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- **New York City College Of Tech (public)**
  - Low-income share of students: 35.3%
  - Low-income student success rate: 51.3%

- **New York 4-year-college average**
  - Low-income share of students: 27.1%
  - Low-income student success rate: 39.2%

- **U.S. 4-year-college average**
  - Low-income share of students: 23.7%
  - Low-income student success rate: 36.3%

2-Year Colleges

- **Kingsborough Community College/CUNY (public)**
  - Low-income share of students: 27.1%
  - Low-income student success rate: 15.6%

- **New York 2-year-college average**
  - Low-income share of students: 25.0%
  - Low-income student success rate: 32.9%

- **U.S. 2-year-college average**
  - Low-income share of students: 18.2%
  - Low-income student success rate: 28.9%

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

Local Demographics

- **Percent Black**
  - Kings County: 35%
  - NY: 20%
  - United States: 16%

- **Percent Hispanic**
  - Kings County: 18%
  - NY: 17%
  - United States: 14%

- **Percent over age 65**
  - Kings County: 11.5%
  - NY: 11.5%
  - United States: 11.5%

- **Percent college grad**
  - Kings County: 25%
  - NY: 24%
  - United States: 21%

- **Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)**
  - Kings County: 75
  - NY: 76
  - United States: 76

- **Life expectancy (years)**
  - Kings County: 83.7
  - NY: 83.2
  - United States: 83.2

- **Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents)**
  - Kings County: 11
  - NY: 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