County Facts: Knox County, MO
Population 4,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: Knox County 3.3%, MO 3.8%, United States 4.4%
- Poverty rate: Knox County 18.3%, MO 5.3%, United States 16.1%
- Median family income (000s): Knox County $41, MO $52, United States $57
- Population growth 2000-2017: Knox County 9%, MO -9%, United States 16%
- Manufacturing share of workforce: Knox County 15.3%, MO 15.1%, United States 10%
- Farming share of workforce: Knox County 10%, MO 11%, United States 10%
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): Knox County 18.3%, MO 13%, United States 16%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: Knox County 40%, MO 45%, United States 46%
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: Knox County 16%, MO 19%, United States 20%
- Percent achieving American Dream: Knox County 8%, MO 10%, United States 12%
- Percent giving birth as a teen: Knox County 16%, MO 16%, United States 20%
- Percent landing in jail: Knox County 0.4%, MO 1.5%, United States 0.4%
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): Knox County $5.1, MO $5.9, United States $6.4
### Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

#### 4-Year Colleges
- Low-income share of students: 2.6%
- Low-income student success rate: 48.7%
- Truman State Univ. (public)†
- Missouri 4-year-college average
- U.S. 4-year-college average

#### 2-Year Colleges
- Low-income share of students: 13.0%
- Low-income student success rate: 27.6%
- Missouri 2-year-college average
- U.S. 2-year-college average

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

### Local Demographics

#### Percent Black
- Knox County: 4%
- MO: 12%
- United States: 14%

#### Percent Hispanic
- Knox County: 1%
- MO: 4%
- United States: 17%

#### Percent over age 65
- Knox County: 20.0%
- MO: 14.0%
- United States: 13.0%

#### Percent college grad
- Knox County: 21%
- MO: 19%
- United States: 13%

#### Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)
- Knox County: 88
- MO: 34
- 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