County Facts: Lawrence County, IN
Population 46,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: Lawrence County - 4.4%, IN - 3.5%, United States - 4.4%
- Poverty rate: Lawrence County - 15.1%, IN - 14.5%, United States - 14.5%
- Median family income (000s): Lawrence County - $57, IN - $52, United States - $48
- Population growth 2000-2017: Lawrence County - 10%, IN - -1%, United States - 10%
- Manufacturing share of workforce: Lawrence County - 18%, IN - 10%, United States - 10%
- Farming share of workforce: Lawrence County - 19%, IN - 13%, United States - 13%
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): Lawrence County - 2.3%, IN - 1.7%, United States - 4.7%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: Lawrence County - 44%, IN - 45%, United States - 46%
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: Lawrence County - 20%, IN - 20%, United States - 20%
- Percent achieving American Dream: Lawrence County - 10%, IN - 8%, United States - 10%
- Percent giving birth as a teen: Lawrence County - 8%, IN - 21%, United States - 25%
- Percent landing in jail: Lawrence County - 1.4%, IN - 1.5%, United States - 1.5%
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): Lawrence County - $6.1, IN - $6.7, United States - $6.4
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

**4-Year Colleges**
- Low-income share of students: 5.3% (IN Univ. - Bloomington (public))
- Low-income student success rate: 46.1%

**2-Year Colleges**
- Low-income share of students: 14.0%
- Low-income student success rate: 24.5%

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

Local Demographics

- **Percent Black**: 1% Lawrence County, 10% IN, 14% United States
- **Percent Hispanic**: 2% Lawrence County, 6% IN, 17% United States
- **Percent over age 65**: 3.0% Lawrence County, 3.0% IN, 10% United States
- **Percent college grad**: 17% Lawrence County, 21% IN, 30% United States
- **Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)**: 30 Lawrence County, 76 IN, 81.9 United States
- **Life expectancy (years)**: 82.0 Lawrence County, 82.0 IN, 83.2 United States
- **Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents)**: 11 Lawrence County, 18 IN, 15 United States

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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