County Facts: Leflore County, MS
Population 29,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate: 7.4% Leflore County, 5.1% MS, 4.4% United States
Poverty rate: 30.6% Leflore County, 22.2% MS, 15.1% United States
Median family income (000s): $32 Leflore County, $42 MS, $57 United States
Population growth 2000-2017: 7% Leflore County, 23% MS, 5% United States
Manufacturing share of workforce: 16% Leflore County, 13% MS, 10% United States
Farming share of workforce: 18% Leflore County, 13% MS, 10% United States
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 4.7% Leflore County, 3.6% MS, 1.7% United States

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college: 31% Leflore County, 41% MS, 46% United States
Percent reaching upper-middle class: 9% Leflore County, 13% MS, 20% United States
Percent achieving American Dream: 4% Leflore County, 6% MS, 10% United States
Percent giving birth as a teen: 20% Leflore County, 32% MS, 44% United States
Percent landing in jail: 1.5% Leflore County, 1.9% MS, 2.9% United States
Local school expenditure per student (000s): $4.5 Leflore County, $4.5 MS, $6.4 United States
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

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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)
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- 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.
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