County Facts: Lewis County, TN
Population 12,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate | Poverty rate | Median family income (000s) | Population growth 2000-2017 | Manufacturing share of workforce | Farming share of workforce | Great Recession unemployment spike (pp)
---|---|---|---|---|---|---
4.5% | 3.7% | 4.4% | 18.9% | 7.3% | 5.1% | $57 | 16% | 13% | 1.7% | 5.7%
$42 | $48 | $57 | 6% | 10% | 1.0% | 6% | 18% | 16% | 18% | 16%
Lewis County | TN | United States

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college | Percent reaching upper-middle class | Percent achieving American Dream | Percent giving birth as a teen | Percent landing in jail | Local school expenditure per student (000s)
---|---|---|---|---|---
31% | 12% | 5% | 20% | 1.5% | $3.6
40% | 15% | 6% | 25% | 1.5% | $4.9
46% | 20% | 10% | 27% | 1.9% | $6.4
Lewis County | TN | United States
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 19.1%
- Low-income student success rate: 51.3%

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 15.3%
- Low-income student success rate: 32.9%

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

Local Demographics

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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
• BLS: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
• 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