County Facts: Los Angeles County, CA
Population 10,164,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 4.7% (Los Angeles County), 4.7% (CA), 4.4% (United States)
- Poverty rate: 17.9% (Los Angeles County), 5.9% (CA), 5.1% (United States)
- Median family income (000s): $67 (Los Angeles County), $60 (CA), $57 (United States)
- Population growth 2000-2017: 7% (Los Angeles County), 5% (CA), 7% (United States)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: 16% (Los Angeles County), 10% (CA), 10% (United States)
- Farming share of workforce: 9% (Los Angeles County), 0.6% (CA), 1.7% (United States)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 0.6% (Los Angeles County), 2.7% (CA), 1.5% (United States)

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 45% (Los Angeles County), 46% (CA), 46% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 21% (Los Angeles County), 19% (CA), 18% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 13% (Los Angeles County), 12% (CA), 10% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 20% (Los Angeles County), 18% (CA), 16% (United States)
- Percent landing in jail: 1.5% (Los Angeles County), 1.1% (CA), 1.0% (United States)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $5.8 (Los Angeles County), $5.7 (CA), $5.7 (United States)
### Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

#### 4-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students:**
  - CSU Northridge (public): 19.8%
  - California 4-year-college average: 11.1%
  - U.S. 4-year-college average: 9.3%
- **Low-income student success rate:**
  - CSU Northridge (public): 61.9%
  - California 4-year-college average: 57.8%
  - U.S. 4-year-college average: 51.3%

#### 2-Year Colleges

- **Low-income share of students:**
  - E. Los Angeles College (public)*: 28.3%
  - California 2-year-college average: 17.5%
  - U.S. 2-year-college average: 15.6%
- **Low-income student success rate:**
  - E. Los Angeles College (public)*: 36.8%
  - California 2-year-college average: 36.4%
  - U.S. 2-year-college average: 32.9%

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

### Local Demographics

- **Percent Black:**
  - Los Angeles County: 9%
  - CA: 7%
  - United States: 14%
- **Percent Hispanic:**
  - Los Angeles County: 49%
  - CA: 38%
  - United States: 13.0%
- **Percent over age 65:**
  - Los Angeles County: 22%
  - CA: 21%
  - United States: 21%
- **Percent college grad:**
  - Los Angeles County: 90
  - CA: 88
  - United States: 84.4
- **Crime rate (arrests per 10k residents):**
  - Los Angeles County: 84
  - CA: 83.2
  - United States: 4
- **Life expectancy (years):**
  - Los Angeles County: 76
  - CA: 84.3
  - United States: 83.2
- **Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents):**
  - Los Angeles County: 15
  - CA: 6
  - United States: 10
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