County Facts: Middlesex County, VA
Population 11,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 3.4% (VA), 3.7% (United States), 4.4% (Middlesex County)
- Poverty rate: 12.6% (Middlesex County), 15.1% (United States), 16% (VA)
- Median family income (000s): $54 (Middlesex County), $57 (United States), $67 (VA)
- Population growth 2000-2017: 8% (Middlesex County), 10% (United States), 12% (VA)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: 10% (Middlesex County), 7% (United States), 10% (VA)
- Farming share of workforce: 3.6% (Middlesex County), 3.8% (United States), 4.1% (VA)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 11.4% (Middlesex County), 15.1% (United States), 15% (VA)

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 45% (Middlesex County), 46% (VA), 50% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 18% (Middlesex County), 20% (VA), 23% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 7% (Middlesex County), 10% (VA), 11% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 17% (Middlesex County), 19% (United States), 20% (VA)
- Percent landing in jail: 1.5% (Middlesex County), 1.8% (United States), 1.7% (VA)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $5.5 (Middlesex County), $6.4 (United States), $6.4 (VA)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges
- William and Mary (public)†
- Virginia 4-year-college average
- U.S. 4-year-college average

2-Year Colleges
- Thomas Nelson CC (public)†
- Virginia 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
  - Middlesex County
  - VA
  - United States
- Percent Hispanic
  - Middlesex County
  - VA
  - United States
- Percent over age 65
  - Middlesex County
  - VA
  - United States
- Percent college grad
  - Middlesex County
  - VA
  - United States
- Crime rate (arrests per 10k residents)
  - Middlesex County
  - VA
  - United States
- Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents)
  - Middlesex County
  - VA
  - United States
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