County Facts: Morgan County, GA

Population 18,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 4.5% (Morgan County), 4.7% (GA), 5.3% (United States)
- Poverty rate: 14.9% (Morgan County), 16% (GA), 17% (United States)
- Median family income (000s): $55 (Morgan County), $53 (GA), $57 (United States)
- Population growth 2000-2017: 16% (Morgan County), 17% (GA), 18% (United States)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: 11% (Morgan County), 10% (GA), 11% (United States)
- Farming share of workforce: 13% (Morgan County), 12% (GA), 13% (United States)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 1.9% (Morgan County), 1.3% (GA), 1.5% (United States)

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 46% (Morgan County), 43% (GA), 45% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 20% (Morgan County), 14% (GA), 15% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 10% (Morgan County), 4% (GA), 5% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 27% (Morgan County), 25% (GA), 27% (United States)
- Percent landing in jail: 2.2% (Morgan County), 1.6% (GA), 1.5% (United States)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $6.4 (Morgan County), $5.9 (GA), $6.4 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 9.3%
- Low-income student success rate: 48.6%

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 12.0%
- Low-income student success rate: 15.6%

Georgia State Univ. (public)†

- Low-income share of students: 9.3%
- Low-income student success rate: 48.6%

Chattahoochee Tech College (public)†

- Low-income share of students: 12.0%
- Low-income student success rate: 15.6%

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: 19%
- Percent Hispanic: 9%
- Percent over age 65: 9%
- Percent college grad: 12%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): 28
- Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents): 10

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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