County Facts: Northwest Arctic Borough, AK
Population 8,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: Northwest Arctic Borough (16.8%), AK (7.0%), United States (4.4%)
- Poverty rate: Northwest Arctic Borough (18.6%), AK (10.8%), United States (15.1%)
- Median family income (000s): Northwest Arctic Borough ($76), AK ($57), United States ($62)
- Population growth 2000-2017: Northwest Arctic Borough (18%), AK (7%), United States (4.4%)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: Northwest Arctic Borough (16%), AK (4%), United States (10%)
- Farming share of workforce: Northwest Arctic Borough (5.6%), AK (1.7%), United States (1.0%)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): Northwest Arctic Borough (2.5%), AK (1.7%), United States (1.4%)

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: Northwest Arctic Borough (2%), AK (37%), United States (46%)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: Northwest Arctic Borough (17%), AK (10%), United States (20%)
- Percent achieving American Dream: Northwest Arctic Borough (2%), AK (15%), United States (20%)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: Northwest Arctic Borough (1.4%), AK (1.5%), United States (1.0%)
- Percent landing in jail: Northwest Arctic Borough ($12.7), AK ($9.4), United States ($6.4)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): Northwest Arctic Borough ($12.7), AK ($9.4), United States ($6.4)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges
- Low-income share of students: Alaska 8.0%, U.S. 9.3%
- Low-income student success rate: Alaska 37.3%, U.S. 51.3%

2-Year Colleges
- Low-income share of students: U.S. 15.6%
- Low-income student success rate: U.S. 32.9%

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: Northwest Arctic Borough 2%, AK 5%, United States 14%
- Percent Hispanic: Northwest Arctic Borough 5%, AK 6%, United States 17%
- Percent over age 65: Northwest Arctic Borough 6.0%, AK 7.7%, United States 13.0%
- Percent college grad: Northwest Arctic Borough 11%, AK 19%, United States 21%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): Northwest Arctic Borough 311, AK 156, United States 76
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