County Facts: Pershing County, NV
Population 7,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 4.5% (Pershing County), 5.0% (NV), 4.4% (United States)
- Poverty rate: 4.4% (Pershing County), 13.0% (NV), 15.1% (United States)
- Median family income (000s): $57 (Pershing County), $55 (NV), $57 (United States)
- Population growth 2000-2017: 50% (Pershing County), 3% (NV), -3% (United States)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: 4% (Pershing County), 4% (NV), 4% (United States)
- Farming share of workforce: 10% (Pershing County), 15.0% (NV), 15.1% (United States)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 0.7% (Pershing County), 1.7% (NV), 4.0% (United States), 4.7% (United States)

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 34% (Pershing County), 46% (NV), 22% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 17% (Pershing County), 20% (NV), 22% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 9% (Pershing County), 10% (NV), 20% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 0.8% (Pershing County), 1.5% (NV), 1.7% (United States)
- Percent landing in jail: 0.8% (Pershing County), 1.5% (NV), 1.7% (United States)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $5.6 (Pershing County), $6.4 (NV), $7.3 (United States)
**Local Colleges and Upward Mobility**

**4-Year Colleges**
- Low-income share of students: 8.5%
- Low-income student success rate: 9.3%
- Nevada 4-year-college average: 9.4%
- U.S. 4-year-college average: 15.6%

**2-Year Colleges**
- Low-income share of students: 9.4%
- Low-income student success rate: 34.3%
- Nevada 2-year-college average: 32.9%
- U.S. 2-year-college average: 16%

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

**Local Demographics**

- Percent Black: Pershing County 3% NV 10% United States 14%
- Percent Hispanic: Pershing County 19% NV 27% United States 33%
- Percent over age 65: Pershing County 17% NV 13% United States 13%
- Percent college grad: Pershing County 10% NV 16% United States 21%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): Pershing County 108 NV 105 United States 76
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