County Facts: Porter County, IN
Population 168,000

The Local Economy

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Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: Porter County - 2.9%, Indiana 4-year-college average - 5.4%, U.S. 4-year-college average - 9.3%
- **Low-income student success rate**: Porter County - 46.1%, Indiana 4-year-college average - 51.3%, U.S. 4-year-college average - 59.7%

### 2-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: Porter County - 14.0%, Indiana 2-year-college average - 15.6%, U.S. 2-year-college average - 24.5%
- **Low-income student success rate**: Porter County - 76%, Indiana 2-year-college average - 76%, U.S. 2-year-college average - 83.2%

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

Local Demographics

- **Percent Black**: Porter County - 4%, IN - 10%, United States - 14%
- **Percent Hispanic**: Porter County - 9%, IN - 6%, United States - 17%
- **Percent over age 65**: Porter County - 12.4%, IN - 13%, United States - 13.0%
- **Percent college grad**: Porter County - 19%, IN - 17%, United States - 21%
- **Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)**: Porter County - 50, IN - 76, United States - 82.6
- **Life expectancy (years)**: Porter County - 82.0, IN - 83.2, United States - 82.6
- **Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents)**: Porter County - 18, IN - 21, United States - 15

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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
• 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