County Facts: Prentiss County, MS
Population 25,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate | Prentiss County | MS | United States | Prentiss County | MS | United States |
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5.1% | 4.6% | 20% | 1.7% | 4.7% |
22.2% | 20.0% | 16% | 13% | 6.1% |
4.4% | 5.1% | 5% | 10% | 3.6% |
20.0% | $57 | $42 | $37 | $57 |
16% | 15.1% | 1% | -1% | 1% |
21% | 22.2% | 5% | 16% | 6.1% |
1.6% | 1.7% | 10% | 10% | 1.6% |
2.1% | 1.7% | 13% | 13% | 2.1% |
6.1% | 3.6% | 21% | 21% | 6.1% |

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college | Prentiss County | MS | United States | Prentiss County | MS | United States |
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38% | 41% | 10% | 13% | 38% | 41% | 10% |
46% | 20% | 3% | 6% | 46% | 20% | 3% |
10% | 31% | 20% | 20% | 10% | 31% | 20% |
32% | 1.9% | 1.8% | 1.8% | 32% | 1.9% | 1.8% |
$4.7 | $4.5 | $6.4 | $4.7 | $4.5 | $6.4 |

Local school expenditure per student (000s) | Prentiss County | MS | United States | Prentiss County | MS | United States |
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3% | 6% | 20% | 20% | 3% | 6% | 20% |
1.8% | 1.5% | 20% | 20% | 1.8% | 1.5% | 20% |
$4.7 | $4.5 | $6.4 | $4.7 | $4.5 | $6.4 |

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent reaching upper-middle class | Prentiss County | MS | United States | Prentiss County | MS | United States |
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38% | 41% | 10% | 13% | 38% | 41% | 10% |
46% | 20% | 3% | 6% | 46% | 20% | 3% |
10% | 31% | 20% | 20% | 10% | 31% | 20% |
32% | 1.9% | 1.8% | 1.8% | 32% | 1.9% | 1.8% |
$4.7 | $4.5 | $6.4 | $4.7 | $4.5 | $6.4 |

Local school expenditure per student (000s) | Prentiss County | MS | United States | Prentiss County | MS | United States |
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3% | 6% | 20% | 20% | 3% | 6% | 20% |
1.8% | 1.5% | 20% | 20% | 1.8% | 1.5% | 20% |
$4.7 | $4.5 | $6.4 | $4.7 | $4.5 | $6.4 |
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 12.9%
- Low-income student success rate: 51.3%

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 26.0%
- Low-income student success rate: 30.4%

Mississippi 4-year-college average: 12.9%
Mississippi 2-year-college average: 15.9%
U.S. 4-year-college average: 9.3%
U.S. 2-year-college average: 15.6%

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: Prentiss County 23%, MS 38%, United States 14%
- Percent Hispanic: Prentiss County 17%, MS 3%, United States 15.7%
- Percent over age 65: Prentiss County 15.7%, MS 12.8%, United States 13.0%
- Percent college grad: Prentiss County 21%, MS 9%, United States 14%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): Prentiss County 89, MS 72, United States 76
- Life expectancy (years): Prentiss County 81.3, MS 80.3, United States 83.2

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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