County Facts: Quitman County, GA

Population 2,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: Quitman County 5.9%, GA 4.7%, United States 4.4%
- Poverty rate: Quitman County 23.8%, GA 17.8%, United States 15.1%
- Median family income (000s): Quitman County $57, GA $53, United States $40
- Population growth 2000-2017: Quitman County 27%, GA 16%, United States -9%
- Manufacturing share of workforce: Quitman County 14%, GA 11%, United States 10%
- Farming share of workforce: Quitman County 4.4%, GA 1.3%, United States 1.7%
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): Quitman County 6.3%, GA 5.4%, United States 4.7%

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

- Percent reaching upper-middle class: Quitman County 2%, GA 16%, United States 20%
- Percent achieving American Dream: Quitman County 6%, GA 10%, United States 56%
- Percent giving birth as a teen: Quitman County 2.4%, GA 2.2%, United States 1.5%
- Percent landing in jail: Quitman County $7.9, GA $5.9, United States $6.4
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): Quitman County $7.9, GA $5.9, United States $6.4
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 9.1% (Georgia), 9.3% (U.S.)
- Low-income student success rate: 48.2% (Georgia), 51.3% (U.S.)

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 15.6% (Georgia), 23.5% (U.S.)
- Low-income student success rate: 22.9% (Georgia), 32.9% (U.S.)

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: Quitman County 43%, Georgia 32%, United States 14%
- Percent Hispanic: Quitman County 17%, Georgia 9%, United States 4%
- Percent over age 65: Quitman County 22.0%, Georgia 10.7%, United States 13.0%
- Percent college grad: Quitman County 19%, Georgia 12%, United States 12%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): Quitman County 84, Georgia 76, United States 27

* Quitman County
* Georgia
* United States
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