County Facts: Richmond County, VA
Population 9,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 3.8% (Richmond County), 3.7% (VA), 4.4% (United States)
- Poverty rate: 12.6% (Richmond County), 1.4% (VA), 15.1% (United States)
- Median family income (000s): $54 (Richmond County), $57 (VA), $67 (United States)
- Population growth 2000-2017: 1% (Richmond County), 7% (VA), 16% (United States)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: 10% (Richmond County), 10% (VA), 15.1% (United States)
- Farming share of workforce: 0.9% (Richmond County), 1.7% (VA), 4.1% (United States)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 4.1% (Richmond County), 4.1% (VA), 4.7% (United States)

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 44% (Richmond County), 46% (VA), 50% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 16% (Richmond County), 23% (VA), 20% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 5% (Richmond County), 11% (VA), 10% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 17% (Richmond County), 17% (VA), 10% (United States)
- Percent landing in jail: 1.5% (Richmond County), 1.8% (VA), 2.4% (United States)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $4.8 (Richmond County), $6.4 (VA), $6.4 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

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- **Virginia 4-year-college average**: 9.3%, 51.3%
- **U.S. 4-year-college average**: 15.6%, 32.9%
- **Virginia 2-year-college average**: 13.0%, 35.3%
- **U.S. 2-year-college average**: 15.6%, 32.9%

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

Local Demographics

- **Percent Black**: Richmond County - 25%, VA - 21%, United States - 14%
- **Percent Hispanic**: Richmond County - 17%, VA - 9%, United States - 4%
- **Percent over age 65**: Richmond County - 18.2%, VA - 12.2%, United States - 13.0%
- **Percent college grad**: Richmond County - 26%, VA - 17%, United States - 21%
- **Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)**: Richmond County - 43, VA - 48, 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