County Facts: Sheridan County, WY
Population 30,000

The Local Economy

- Unemployment rate: 4.0% (Sheridan County), 4.2% (WY), 4.4% (United States)
- Poverty rate: 7.6% (Sheridan County), 11.3% (WY), 15.1% (United States)
- Median family income (000s): $59 (Sheridan County), $59 (WY), $57 (United States)
- Population growth 2000-2017: 4.0% (Sheridan County), 4.2% (WY), 4.4% (United States)
- Manufacturing share of workforce: 17% (Sheridan County), 16% (WY), 14% (United States)
- Farming share of workforce: 10% (Sheridan County), 4% (WY), 2% (United States)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 4.7% (Sheridan County), 3.4% (WY), 3.7% (United States)

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out

- Percent graduating any college: 51% (Sheridan County), 47% (WY), 46% (United States)
- Percent reaching upper-middle class: 27% (Sheridan County), 26% (WY), 20% (United States)
- Percent achieving American Dream: 17% (Sheridan County), 16% (WY), 10% (United States)
- Percent giving birth as a teen: 20% (Sheridan County), 16% (WY), 16% (United States)
- Percent landing in jail: 1.5% (Sheridan County), 1.1% (WY), 0.8% (United States)
- Local school expenditure per student (000s): $6.8 (Sheridan County), $6.8 (WY), $6.4 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

### 4-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: 9.3%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 55.5%

### 2-Year Colleges
- **Low-income share of students**: 15.6%
- **Low-income student success rate**: 33.2%

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

#### Local Demographics

- **Percent Black**: Sheridan County 1%, WY 2%, United States 1%
- **Percent Hispanic**: Sheridan County 7%, WY 10%, United States 15.6%
- **Percent over age 65**: Sheridan County 12.4%, WY 13.0%, United States 18%
- **Percent college grad**: Sheridan County 25%, WY 21%, United States 18%
- **Crime rate**: Sheridan County 67, WY 76, United States 83.2
- **Life expectancy**: Sheridan County 83.0, WY 83.2, United States 83.2
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