County Facts: Slope County, ND
Population 770

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate 1.9% 2.6% 4.4%
Poverty rate 10.1% 11.7%
Median family income (000s) $67 $60 $57
Population growth 2000-2017 1% 18% 16%
Manufacturing share of workforce 4% 7%
Farming share of workforce 10% 6.8% 6.4%
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp) 15.1% $67

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent reaching upper-middle class 40% 32%
Percent achieving American Dream 44% 22%
Percent giving birth as a teen 10% 1%
Percent landing in jail 0.7% 0.6%
Local school expenditure per student (000s) $9.0 $5.2 $6.4

Slope County ND United States
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students
  - North Dakota 4-year-college average: 6.5%
  - U.S. 4-year-college average: 9.3%
- Low-income student success rate
  - North Dakota 4-year-college average: 51.3%
  - U.S. 4-year-college average: 57.6%

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students
  - North Dakota 2-year-college average: 12.8%
  - U.S. 2-year-college average: 15.6%
- Low-income student success rate
  - North Dakota 2-year-college average: 46.6%
  - U.S. 2-year-college average: 32.9%

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black
  - Slope County: 3%
  - ND: 4%
  - United States: 14%
- Percent Hispanic
  - Slope County: 4%
  - ND: 3%
  - United States: 17%
- Percent over age 65
  - Slope County: 18.6%
  - ND: 14.5%
  - United States: 13.0%
- Percent college grad
  - Slope County: 21%
  - ND: 16%
  - United States: 20%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents)
  - Slope County: 13
  - ND: 49
  - United States: 76

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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