County Facts: St. Clair County, IL
Population 262,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate: 4.9%, 4.4%, 4.9%
Poverty rate: 15.1%, 18.4%, 15.1%
Median family income (000s): $57, $49, $60
Population growth 2000-2017: 3%, 3%, 3%
Manufacturing share of workforce: 16%, 12%, 16%
Farming share of workforce: 10%, 9%, 10%
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 0.8%, 1.7%, 4.5%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college: 48%, 46%, 53%
Percent reaching upper-middle class: 19%, 20%, 25%
Percent achieving American Dream: 6%, 10%, 11%
Percent giving birth as a teen: 20%, 18%, 24%
Percent landing in jail: 1.2%, 1.4%, 1.5%
Local school expenditure per student (000s): $4.7, $5.7, $6.4

St. Clair County IL United States
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students:
  - McKendree Univ.: 5.2%
  - Illinois 4-year-college average: 8.0%
  - U.S. 4-year-college average: 9.3%

- Low-income student success rate:
  - McKendree Univ.: 43.6%
  - Illinois 4-year-college average: 54.2%
  - U.S. 4-year-college average: 51.3%

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students:
  - Southwestern IL College (public): 12.0%
  - Illinois 2-year-college average: 13.1%
  - U.S. 2-year-college average: 15.6%

- Low-income student success rate:
  - Southwestern IL College (public): 25.3%
  - Illinois 2-year-college average: 30.3%
  - 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: St. Clair County 31%, IL 15%, United States 14%
- Percent Hispanic: St. Clair County 16%, IL 4%, United States 4%
- Percent over age 65: St. Clair County 13.0%, IL 12.5%, United States 12.5%
- Percent college grad: St. Clair County 23%, IL 18%, United States 18%
- Life expectancy (years): St. Clair County 82.9, IL 81.6, United States 83.2
- Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents): St. Clair County 8, IL 17, United States 15
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 25^{th}-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