County Facts: St. Lucie County, FL
Population 314,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate: 5.1% St. Lucie County, 4.1% FL, 4.7% United States
Poverty rate: 17.7% St. Lucie County, 16.1% FL, 1.7% United States
Median family income (000s): $57 St. Lucie County, $50 FL, $57 United States
Population growth 2000-2017: 63% St. Lucie County, 31% FL, 16% United States
Manufacturing share of workforce: 10% St. Lucie County, 5% FL, 5% United States
Farming share of workforce: 1.6% St. Lucie County, 1.3% FL, 1.7% United States
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 6.5% St. Lucie County, 6.4% FL, 4.7% United States

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college: 45% St. Lucie County, 46% FL, 46% United States
Percent reaching upper-middle class: 20% St. Lucie County, 16% FL, 6% United States
Percent achieving American Dream: 10% St. Lucie County, 8% FL, 20% United States
Percent giving birth as a teen: 24% St. Lucie County, 20% FL, 20% United States
Percent landing in jail: 2.7% St. Lucie County, 1.8% FL, 1.5% United States
Local school expenditure per student (000s): $6.4 St. Lucie County, $6.3 FL, $6.4 United States
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: St. Lucie County 21%, Florida 14%, United States 13.0%
- Percent Hispanic: St. Lucie County 17%, Florida 18%, United States 17.3%
- Percent over age 65: St. Lucie County 19.9%, Florida 17%, United States 13.0%
- Percent college grad: St. Lucie County 24%, Florida 20%, United States 14%
- Life expectancy (years): St. Lucie County 83.2, Florida 83.1, United States 82.2
- Opioid deaths (deaths per 10k residents): St. Lucie County 15, Florida 12, 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 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