## County Facts: St. Martin Parish, LA
Population 54,000

### The Local Economy

- **Unemployment Rate**: 6.1% (St. Martin Parish), 5.3% (LA), 4.4% (United States)
- **Poverty Rate**: 19.6% (St. Martin Parish), 18.8% (LA), 17.8% (United States)
- **Median Family Income (000s)**: $57,000 (St. Martin Parish), $45,000 (LA), $40,000 (United States)
- **Population Growth 2000-2017**: 16% (St. Martin Parish), 15.1% (LA), 12.6% (United States)
- **Manufacturing Share of Workforce**: 10% (St. Martin Parish), 9.8% (LA), 9.5% (United States)
- **Farming Share of Workforce**: 2.2% (St. Martin Parish), 2.6% (LA), 2.6% (United States)
- **Great Recession Unemployment Spike (pp)**: 4.7% (St. Martin Parish), 4.7% (LA), 4.7% (United States)

### How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- **Percent Graduating Any College**: 30% (St. Martin Parish), 39% (LA), 46% (United States)
- **Percent Reaching Upper-Middle Class**: 19% (St. Martin Parish), 20% (LA), 21% (United States)
- **Percent Achieving American Dream**: 10% (St. Martin Parish), 10% (LA), 10% (United States)
- **Percent Giving Birth as a Teen**: 1.7% (St. Martin Parish), 1.7% (LA), 1.7% (United States)
- **Percent Landing in Jail**: 20% (St. Martin Parish), 20% (LA), 20% (United States)
- **Local School Expenditure per Student (000s)**: $3.9 (St. Martin Parish), $4.8 (LA), $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

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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