County Facts: Telfair County, GA
Population 16,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate: 7.8% for Telfair County, 4.7% for GA, and 4.4% for the United States.
Poverty rate: 22.4% for Telfair County, 17.8% for GA, and 15.1% for the United States.
Median family income (000s): $35 for Telfair County, $53 for GA, and $57 for the United States.
Manufacturing share of workforce: 14% for Telfair County, 11% for GA, and 10% for the United States.
Farming share of workforce: 6.7% for Telfair County, 1.3% for GA, and 1.7% for the United States.
Great Recession unemployment spike (pp): 5.4% for Telfair County, 5.4% for GA, and 4.7% for the United States.

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college: 34% for Telfair County, 43% for GA, and 46% for the United States.
Percent reaching upper-middle class: 10% for Telfair County, 16% for GA, and 20% for the United States.
Percent achieving American Dream: 6% for Telfair County, 6% for GA, and 10% for the United States.
Percent giving birth as a teen: 25% for Telfair County, 20% for GA, and 31% for the United States.
Percent landing in jail: 2.2% for Telfair County, 1.5% for GA, and 3.4% for the United States.
Local school expenditure per student (000s): $5.2 for Telfair County, $5.9 for GA, and $6.4 for the United States.
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

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Brewton Parker College†
Georgia 4-year-college average
U.S. 4-year-college average

Southeastern Tech College (public)†
Georgia 2-year-college average
U.S. 2-year-college average

*: 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