County Facts: Toombs County, GA
Population 27,000

The Local Economy

Unemployment rate
- Toombs County: 6.5%
- GA: 4.7%
- United States: 4.4%

Poverty rate
- Toombs County: 4.7%
- GA: 5.1%
- United States: 5.1%

Median family income (000s)
- Toombs County: $57
- GA: $53
- United States: $35

Population growth 2000-2017
- Toombs County: 27%
- GA: 3%
- United States: 3%

Manufacturing share of workforce
- Toombs County: 16%
- GA: 11%
- United States: 10%

Farming share of workforce
- Toombs County: 14%
- GA: 13%
- United States: 13%

Great Recession unemployment spike (pp)
- Toombs County: 5.4%
- GA: 5.4%
- United States: 4.7%

How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

Percent graduating any college
- Toombs County: 45%
- GA: 46%
- United States: 50%

Percent reaching upper-middle class
- Toombs County: 16%
- GA: 14%
- United States: 15%

Percent achieving American Dream
- Toombs County: 6%
- GA: 6%
- United States: 6%

Percent giving birth as a teen
- Toombs County: 25%
- GA: 20%
- United States: 18%

Percent landing in jail
- Toombs County: 2.9%
- GA: 2.2%
- United States: 1.5%

Local school expenditure per student (000s)
- Toombs County: $5.1
- GA: $5.9
- United States: $6.4
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: Brewton Parker College† 11.6%, Georgia 4-year-college average 9.1%, U.S. 4-year-college average 9.3%
- Low-income student success rate: Brewton Parker College† 48.2%, Georgia 4-year-college average 28.7%, U.S. 4-year-college average 51.3%

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: Southeastern Tech College (public) 36.0%, Georgia 2-year-college average 22.9%, U.S. 2-year-college average 15.6%
- Low-income student success rate: Southeastern Tech College (public) 22.9%, Georgia 2-year-college average 14.9%, U.S. 2-year-college average 23.5%

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: Toombs County 27%, GA 32%, United States 17%
- Percent Hispanic: Toombs County 14%, GA 10%, United States 9%
- Percent over age 65: Toombs County 13.7%, GA 10.7%, United States 9%
- Percent college grad: Toombs County 21%, GA 19%, United States 13.0%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): Toombs County 111, GA 84, United States 76
- Life expectancy (years): Toombs County 82.2, GA 82.4, United States 83.2

Toombs County, GA

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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