**County Facts: Warren County, KY**
Population 129,000

### The Local Economy

- **Unemployment rate**: 4.1% (Warren County), 4.9% (KY), 4.7% (United States)
- **Poverty rate**: 18.3% (Warren County), 18.5% (KY), 15.1% (United States)
- **Median family income (000s)**: $45 (Warren County), $46 (KY), $57 (United States)
- **Population growth 2000-2017**: 39% (Warren County), 17% (KY), 10% (United States)
- **Manufacturing share of workforce**: 14% (Warren County), 16% (KY), 10% (United States)
- **Farming share of workforce**: 10% (Warren County), 10% (KY), 0.8% (United States)
- **Great Recession unemployment spike (pp)**: 6.2% (Warren County), 4.8% (KY), 4.7% (United States)

**Warren County**  **KY**  **United States**

### How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- **Percent graduating any college**: 48% (Warren County), 46% (KY), 43% (United States)
- **Percent reaching upper-middle class**: 20% (Warren County), 17% (KY), 17% (United States)
- **Percent achieving American Dream**: 10% (Warren County), 7% (KY), 7% (United States)
- **Percent giving birth as a teen**: 21% (Warren County), 20% (KY), 20% (United States)
- **Percent landing in jail**: 1.5% (Warren County), 1.4% (KY), 1.4% (United States)
- **Local school expenditure per student (000s)**: $5.3 (Warren County), $6.1 (KY), $6.4 (United States)

**Warren County**  **KY**  **United States**
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

**4-Year Colleges**
- Low-income share of students: Western Kentucky Univ. (public) 10.3%, Kentucky 4-year-college average 9.8%, U.S. 4-year-college average 9.3%
- Low-income student success rate: Western Kentucky Univ. (public) 33.5%, Kentucky 4-year-college average 38.4%, U.S. 4-year-college average 51.3%

**2-Year Colleges**
- Low-income share of students: Western Kentucky Univ. (public) 11.3%, Kentucky 2-year-college average 15.6%, U.S. 2-year-college average 28.2%
- Low-income student success rate: Western Kentucky Univ. (public) 21%, Kentucky 2-year-college average 76, U.S. 2-year-college average 83.2

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

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: Warren County 10%, KY 9%, United States 14%
- Percent Hispanic: Warren County 5%, KY 3%, United States 17%
- Percent over age 65: Warren County 10.9%, KY 13.3%, United States 19%
- Percent college grad: Warren County 19%, KY 3.0%, United States 21%
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): Warren County 72, KY 76, United States 81.7
- Life expectancy (years): Warren County 81.9, KY 83.2, United States 81.7
- Opioid deaths (deaths per 10K residents): Warren County 8, KY 26, United States 15

*Warren County, KY* Katie Donnelly, Clancy Green, and Danny Yagan
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