

# Harlan County

## 2014-2015 Kentucky County Profile

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### What are some basic facts about Harlan County residents?

	County	KY	US
Total population	28,543	4,380,415	313,914,040
Median household income	\$26,758	\$42,610	\$53,046
Per capita income	\$15,831	\$23,210	\$28,051
Living in poverty	32.5%	18.6%	14.9%
Eligible for Medicaid	34.9%	18.8%	n/a
Without medical insurance	18.7%	16.9%	17.9%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	54.7%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	13.2%	8.2%	8.1%
Access to Broadband Internet	52.2%	95.7%	98.8%

### Are Harlan County public high school graduates prepared for college and career?

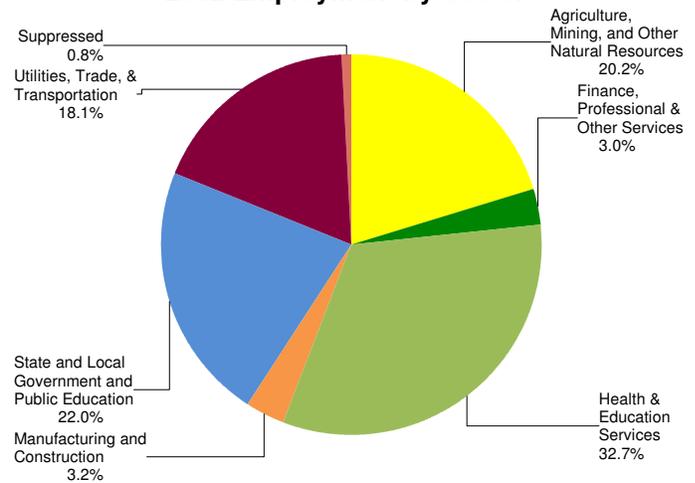
	County	KY
Average junior year ACT Composite score for 2013 graduates	18.2	19.4
Graduates ready for college-level coursework based on junior year ACT		
Mathematics	30.8%	41.6%
English	48.6%	55.7%
Reading	37.0%	44.7%
Science	15.9%	27.2%
Ready for college by graduation	29.4%	49.4%
Ready for career by graduation	16.9%	11.8%
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	39.5%	54.1%
Average GPA for 2013 graduates	2.90	2.88

### What is the educational attainment of Harlan County residents?

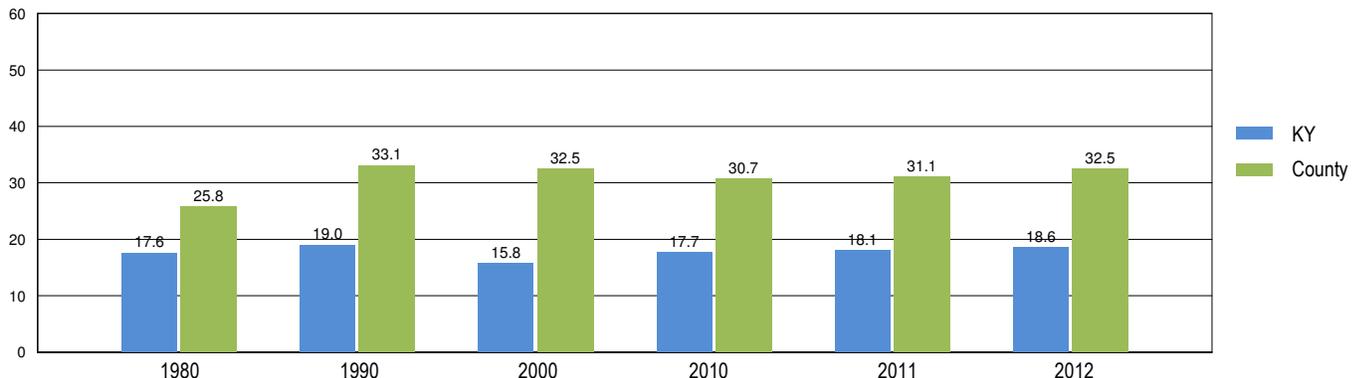
	County	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	29.4%	17.6%	14.3%
High school diploma or equivalent	35.9%	34.0%	28.2%
Some college but no degree	15.7%	20.5%	21.3%
Associate degree	8.3%	6.9%	7.7%
Bachelor's degree	5.6%	12.5%	17.9%
Graduate or professional degree	5.1%	8.5%	10.6%

### What industries provide employment in Harlan County?

#### 2012 Employment by Sector



### Percentage of Harlan County Population Living in Poverty, 1980-2012



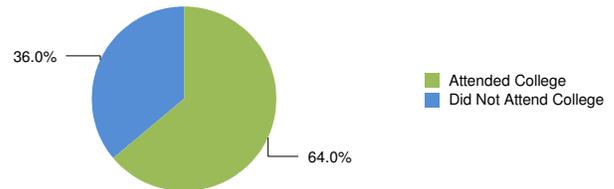


**What is the education pipeline for Harlan County?**

	County	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2012-2013	4,846	652,317
Private K-12 enrollment in 2012-2013	344	70,078
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2013	44.9%	49.0%
Special education population in 2012-2013	18.2%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2012-2013	76.8%	56.6%
Public high school graduates in 2010-2011	308	44,853
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2011-2012	197	27,014
In-state college going rate in 2011-2012	63.3%	55.4%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2011-2012	0.6%	5.4%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2011-2012	488	40,300
GEDs awarded in 2011-2012	31	9,826
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2011-2012	164	8,193
Students earning an associate degree in 2011-2012	115	9,187
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2011-2012	58	15,745
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2011-2012	15	4,326
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2011-2012	27	7,480
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2012-2013	100	13,745
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	39.1%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	13.0%	11.0%

**What were the top college choices for Harlan County public high school graduates?**

**Overall College Going Rates for 2011 Public High School Graduates**



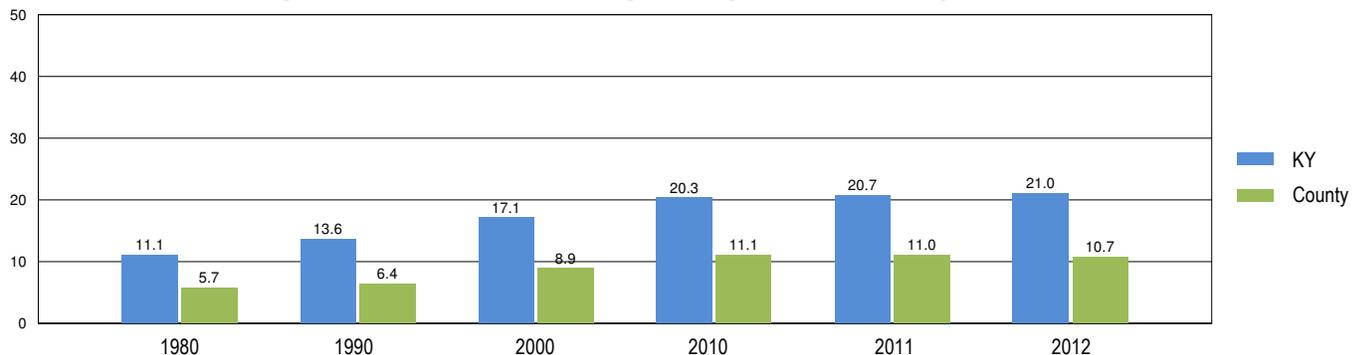
**Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended**

College/University	Number of Enrollments
Southeast Ky Community & Technical College	152
Eastern Kentucky University	17
Lindsey Wilson College	6
University of Kentucky	6
Jefferson Community & Technical College	5
Pikeville College	5
University of Cumberlands	4
Berea College	2
Murray State University	2
Union College	2
Other Institutions	8

**How much financial aid did 2011 public high school graduates from Harlan County receive in 2012?**

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	\$963	276
State need-based grants	\$692	58
State non-need-based grants	\$1,079	134
Federal Pell grants	\$3,888	128
Federal need-based loans	\$632	32
Federal non-need-based loans	\$468	24
Institutional grants	\$820	31

**Percentage of Adults with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher in Harlan County, 1980-2012**



Sources: US Census 2008-2012 American Community Survey, US Department of Education, Kentucky Department of Education, Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority, Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, Kentucky State Board of Elections, US Census Small Area Health Insurance Estimates Program, Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Kentucky Adult Education, and the Council on Postsecondary Education. Complete descriptions of sources and methodologies may be found in the technical notes at the end of the County Profiles or through the Kentucky Center for Education & Workforce Statistics website at the address below: