

Taylor County

2014-2015 Kentucky County Profile

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What are some basic facts about Taylor County residents?

	County	KY	US
Total population	24,691	4,380,415	313,914,040
Median household income	\$35,000	\$42,610	\$53,046
Per capita income	\$17,991	\$23,210	\$28,051
Living in poverty	23.0%	18.6%	14.9%
Eligible for Medicaid	23.0%	18.8%	n/a
Without medical insurance	19.1%	16.9%	17.9%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	60.2%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	7.8%	8.2%	8.1%
Access to Broadband Internet	97.4%	95.7%	98.8%

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

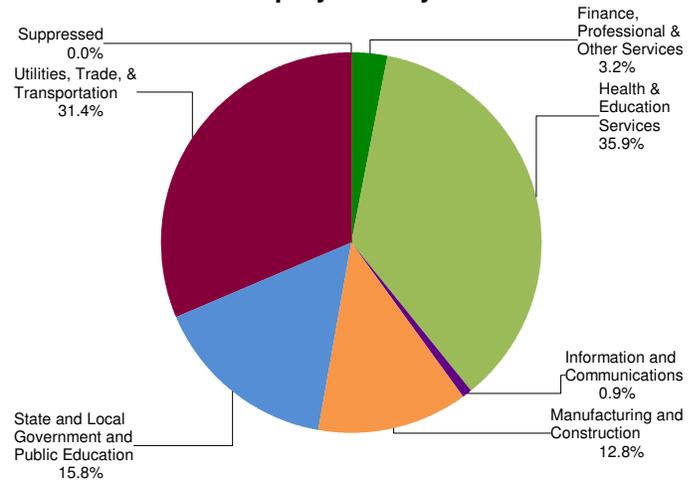
	County	KY
Average junior year ACT Composite score for 2013 graduates	19.3	19.4
Graduates ready for college-level coursework based on junior year ACT		
Mathematics	40.6%	41.6%
English	59.4%	55.7%
Reading	41.6%	44.7%
Science	28.3%	27.2%
Ready for college by graduation	50.0%	49.4%
Ready for career by graduation	19.3%	11.8%
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	55.0%	54.1%
Average GPA for 2013 graduates	3.09	2.88

What is the educational attainment of Taylor County residents?

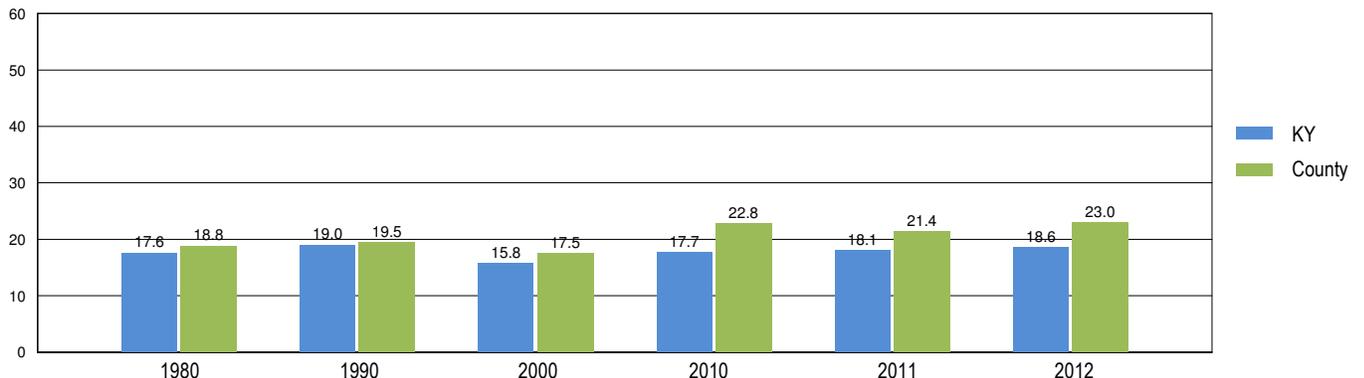
	County	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	23.9%	17.6%	14.3%
High school diploma or equivalent	39.7%	34.0%	28.2%
Some college but no degree	16.7%	20.5%	21.3%
Associate degree	5.6%	6.9%	7.7%
Bachelor's degree	7.0%	12.5%	17.9%
Graduate or professional degree	7.1%	8.5%	10.6%

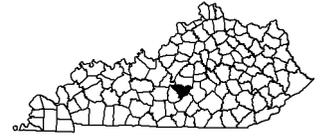
What industries provide employment in Taylor County?

2012 Employment by Sector



Percentage of Taylor County Population Living in Poverty, 1980-2012



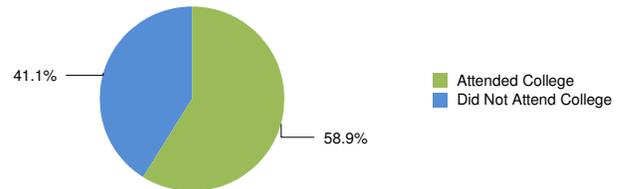


What is the education pipeline for Taylor County?

	County	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2012-2013	3,718	652,317
Private K-12 enrollment in 2012-2013	266	70,078
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2013	48.6%	49.0%
Special education population in 2012-2013	11.8%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2012-2013	25.1%	56.6%
Public high school graduates in 2010-2011	253	44,853
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2011-2012	149	27,014
In-state college going rate in 2011-2012	55.7%	55.4%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2011-2012	3.2%	5.4%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2011-2012	340	40,300
GEDs awarded in 2011-2012	77	9,826
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2011-2012	29	8,193
Students earning an associate degree in 2011-2012	57	9,187
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2011-2012	116	15,745
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2011-2012	30	4,326
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2011-2012	58	7,480
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2012-2013	244	13,745
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	44.5%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	8.8%	11.0%

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

Overall College Going Rates for 2011 Public High School Graduates



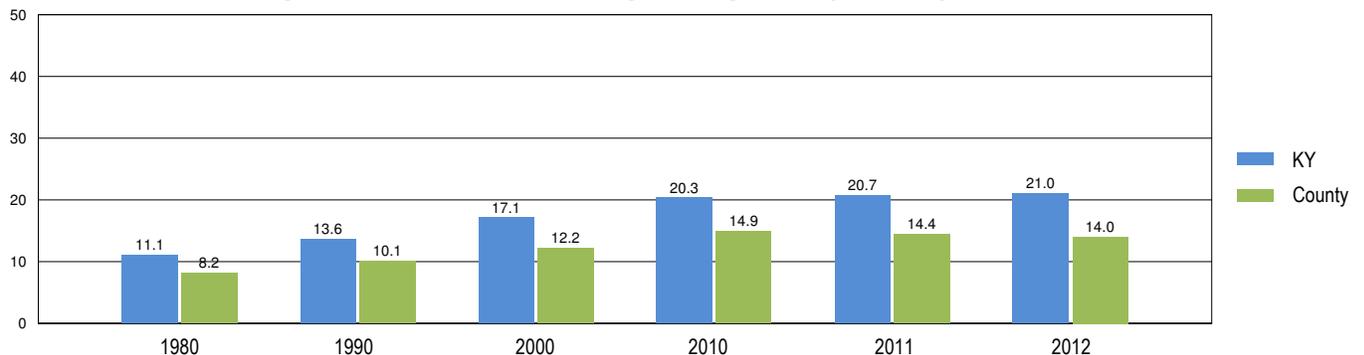
Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended

College/University	Number of Enrollments
Campbellsville University	53
Lindsey Wilson College	24
Elizabethtown Community & Technical College	22
University of Kentucky	10
Western Kentucky University	8
Georgetown College	4
Somerset Community College	4
Bluegrass Community & Technical College	3
Eastern Kentucky University	3
Sullivan University	3
Other Institutions	23

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

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	\$1,036	234
State need-based grants	\$505	15
State non-need-based grants	\$1,216	48
Federal Pell grants	\$2,184	29
Federal need-based loans	\$1,629	29
Federal non-need-based loans	\$1,632	25
Institutional grants	\$1,656	14

Percentage of Adults with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher in Taylor 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: