

Caldwell County

2015 Kentucky County Profile

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What are some basic facts about Caldwell County residents?

	County	KY	US
Total population	12,823	4,395,295	316,128,839
Median household income	\$37,127	\$43,036	\$53,046
Per capita income	\$20,327	\$23,462	\$28,155
Living in poverty	21.4%	18.8%	15.4%
Eligible for Medicaid	20.7%	18.9%	n/a
Without medical insurance	17.8%	16.2%	17.0%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	60.2%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	8.0%	8.0%	7.4%
Access to Broadband Internet	96.1%	96.8%	98.6%

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

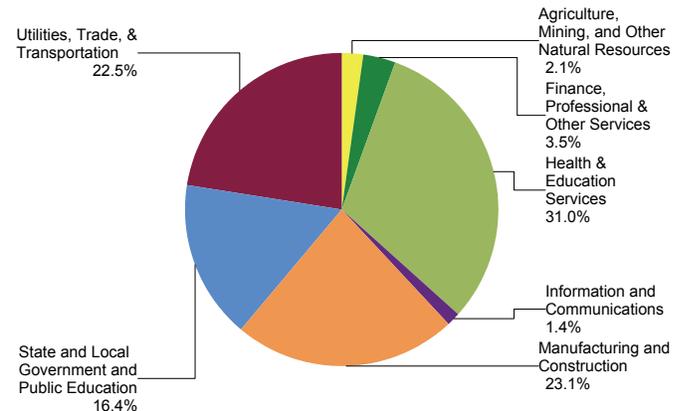
	County	KY
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	65.9%	62.8%
Ready for college by graduation	52.2%	56.2%
Ready for career by graduation	37.0%	17.8%
Average GPA for 2014 graduates	2.86	2.89
Average junior year ACT scores for 2014 graduates		
Composite	19.6	19.5
Mathematics	19.1	19.1
English	19.0	18.7
Reading	20.0	19.7
Science	19.9	19.7

What is the educational attainment of Caldwell County residents?

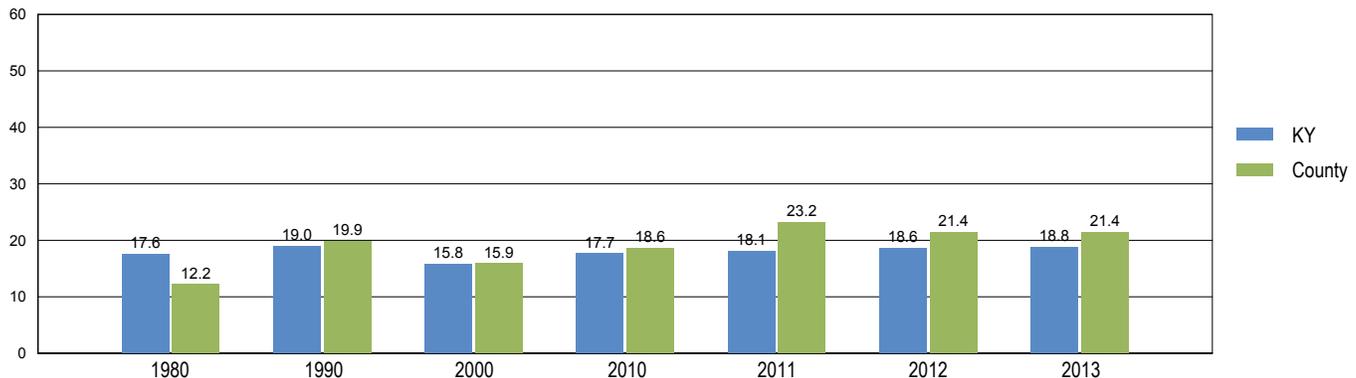
	County	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	16.0%	17.0%	13.9%
High school diploma or equivalent	41.5%	33.9%	28.1%
Some college but no degree	20.7%	20.5%	21.2%
Associate degree	5.1%	7.1%	7.8%
Bachelor's degree	9.0%	12.8%	18.0%
Graduate or professional degree	7.7%	8.8%	10.8%

What industries provide employment in Caldwell County?

2013 Employment by Sector



Percentage of Caldwell County Population Living in Poverty, 1980-2013



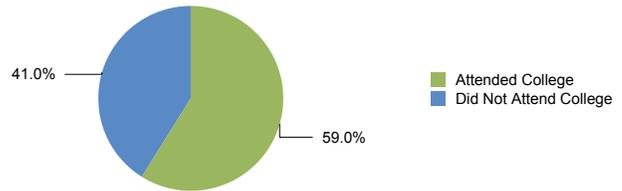


What is the education pipeline for Caldwell County?

	County	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	2,000	654,455
Private K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	62	69,258
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2014	56.6%	50.0%
Special education population in 2013-2014	9.7%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2013-2014	60.6%	58.3%
Public high school graduates in 2011-2012	156	43,176
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2012-2013	92	26,413
In-state college going rate in 2012-2013	57.1%	56.2%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2012-2013	1.9%	5.5%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2012-2013	48	37,022
GEDs awarded in 2012-2013	19	7,746
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2012-2013	31	8,713
Students earning an associate degree in 2012-2013	37	9,089
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2012-2013	45	15,947
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2012-2013	14	5,270
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2012-2013	17	7,673
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2013-2014	67	17,613
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	50.0%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	23.1%	11.0%

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

Overall College Going Rates for 2012 Public High School Graduates



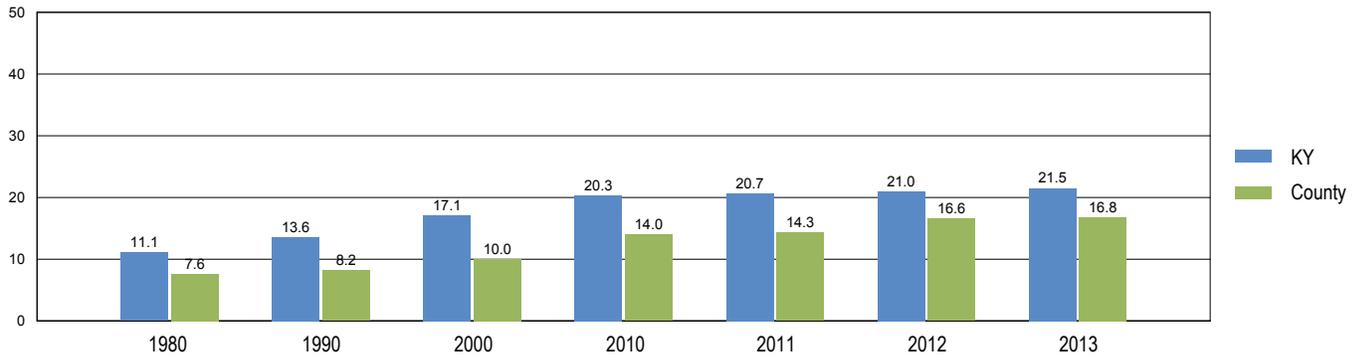
Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended

Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended	Number of Enrollments
Murray State University	25
Madisonville Community College	23
Hopkinsville Community College	14
West Ky Community & Technical College	11
University of Kentucky	9
Western Kentucky University	6
Brescia University	4
University of Louisville	1
ITT TECHNICAL INSTITUTE	1
Midcontinent University	1
Other Institutions	3

How much financial aid did 2012 public high school graduates from Caldwell County receive in 2013?

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	\$997	137
State need-based grants	\$741	37
State non-need-based grants	\$1,171	78
Federal Pell grants	\$2,431	56
Federal need-based loans	\$1,034	26
Federal non-need-based loans	\$1,108	31
Institutional grants	\$1,154	23

Percentage of Adults with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher in Caldwell County, 1980-2013



Sources: US Census 2009-2013 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:

