

# Garrard County

## 2015 Kentucky County Profile

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

	County	KY	US
Total population	16,915	4,395,295	316,128,839
Median household income	\$44,652	\$43,036	\$53,046
Per capita income	\$21,341	\$23,462	\$28,155
Living in poverty	19.1%	18.8%	15.4%
Eligible for Medicaid	19.0%	18.9%	n/a
Without medical insurance	18.2%	16.2%	17.0%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	60.2%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	8.3%	8.0%	7.4%
Access to Broadband Internet	98.0%	96.8%	98.6%

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

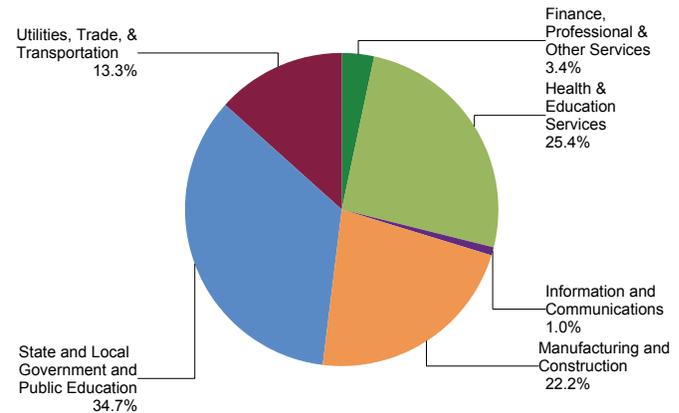
	County	KY
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	63.3%	62.8%
Ready for college by graduation	48.9%	56.2%
Ready for career by graduation	40.3%	17.8%
Average GPA for 2014 graduates	3.06	2.89
Average junior year ACT scores for 2014 graduates		
Composite	19.3	19.5
Mathematics	18.8	19.1
English	18.3	18.7
Reading	20.0	19.7
Science	19.7	19.7

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

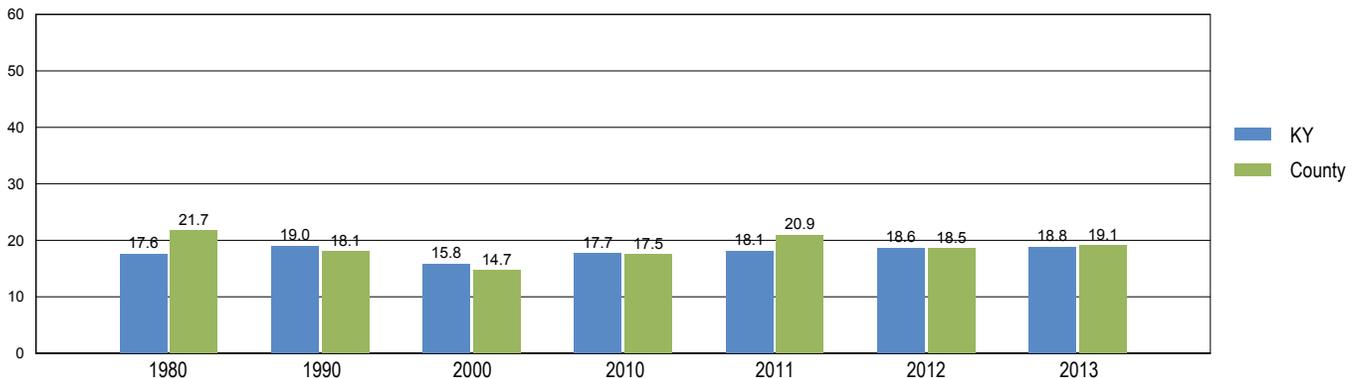
	County	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	19.4%	17.0%	13.9%
High school diploma or equivalent	40.1%	33.9%	28.1%
Some college but no degree	18.6%	20.5%	21.2%
Associate degree	6.7%	7.1%	7.8%
Bachelor's degree	10.9%	12.8%	18.0%
Graduate or professional degree	4.3%	8.8%	10.8%

### What industries provide employment in Garrard County?

#### 2013 Employment by Sector



#### Percentage of Garrard County Population Living in Poverty, 1980-2013



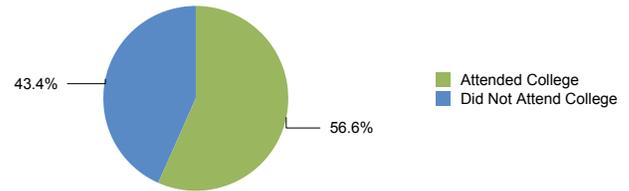


**What is the education pipeline for Garrard County?**

	County	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	2,418	654,455
Private K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	181	69,258
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2014	44.2%	50.0%
Special education population in 2013-2014	13.5%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2013-2014	63.9%	58.3%
Public high school graduates in 2011-2012	189	43,176
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2012-2013	107	26,413
In-state college going rate in 2012-2013	54.5%	56.2%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2012-2013	2.1%	5.5%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2012-2013	46	37,022
GEDs awarded in 2012-2013	11	7,746
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2012-2013	39	8,713
Students earning an associate degree in 2012-2013	27	9,089
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2012-2013	67	15,947
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2012-2013	17	5,270
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2012-2013	24	7,673
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2013-2014	62	17,613
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	46.3%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	0.0%	11.0%

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

**Overall College Going Rates for 2012 Public High School Graduates**



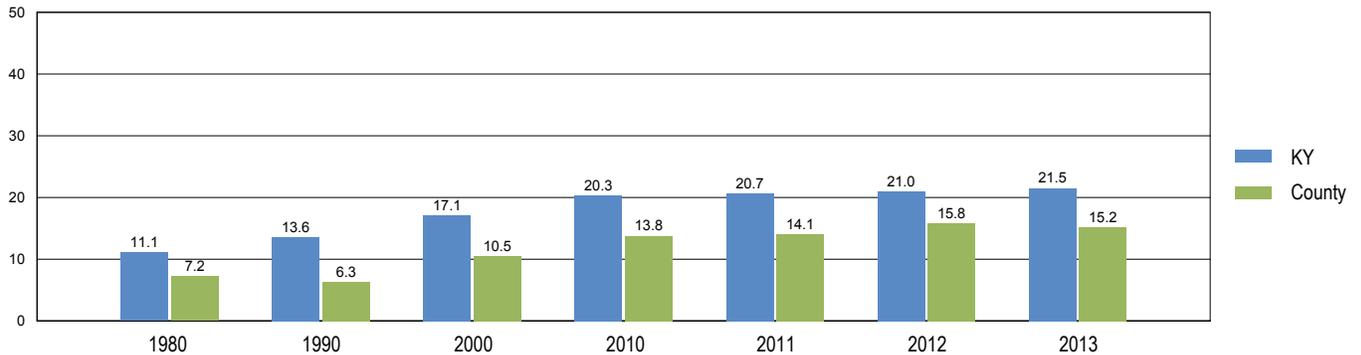
**Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended**

College/University	Number of Enrollments
Bluegrass Community & Technical College	37
Eastern Kentucky University	37
University of Kentucky	6
National College	5
Morehead State University	4
Union College	3
Somerset Community College	2
Sullivan University	2
Transylvania University	2
Everett Community College	1
Other Institutions	10

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

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	\$1,047	182
State need-based grants	\$663	33
State non-need-based grants	\$1,218	77
Federal Pell grants	\$2,046	46
Federal need-based loans	\$1,220	32
Federal non-need-based loans	\$1,104	33
Institutional grants	\$1,472	23

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

