

Hardin County

2015 Kentucky County Profile

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What are some basic facts about Hardin County residents?

	County	KY	US
Total population	108,191	4,395,295	316,128,839
Median household income	\$48,687	\$43,036	\$53,046
Per capita income	\$24,147	\$23,462	\$28,155
Living in poverty	15.8%	18.8%	15.4%
Eligible for Medicaid	14.0%	18.9%	n/a
Without medical insurance	15.4%	16.2%	17.0%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	56.5%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	7.6%	8.0%	7.4%
Access to Broadband Internet	99.5%	96.8%	98.6%

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

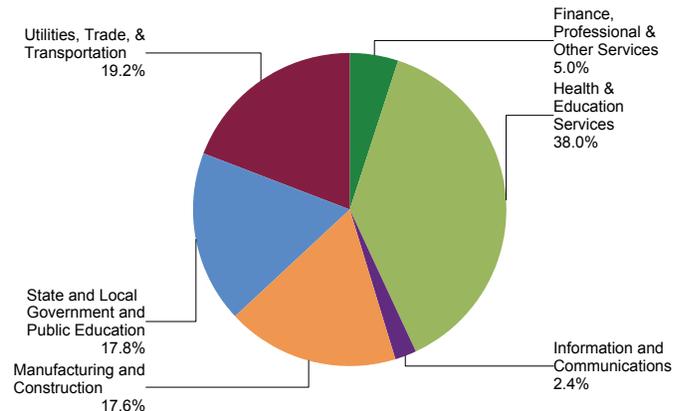
	County	KY
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	61.6%	62.8%
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Ready for career by graduation	6.0%	17.8%
Average GPA for 2014 graduates	2.92	2.89
Average junior year ACT scores for 2014 graduates		
Composite	19.7	19.5
Mathematics	19.4	19.1
English	19.3	18.7
Reading	19.8	19.7
Science	19.8	19.7

What is the educational attainment of Hardin County residents?

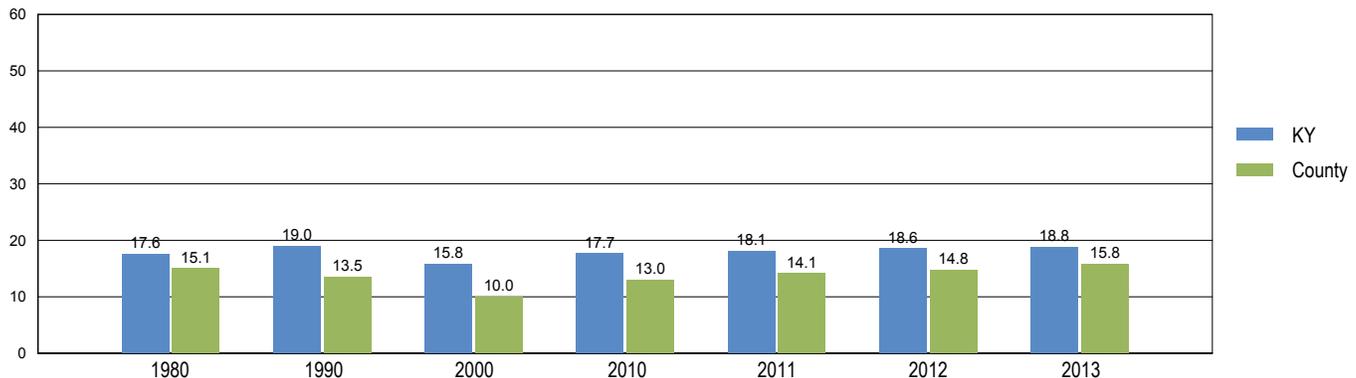
	County	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	11.9%	17.0%	13.9%
High school diploma or equivalent	33.4%	33.9%	28.1%
Some college but no degree	24.6%	20.5%	21.2%
Associate degree	9.3%	7.1%	7.8%
Bachelor's degree	12.3%	12.8%	18.0%
Graduate or professional degree	8.5%	8.8%	10.8%

What industries provide employment in Hardin County?

2013 Employment by Sector



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



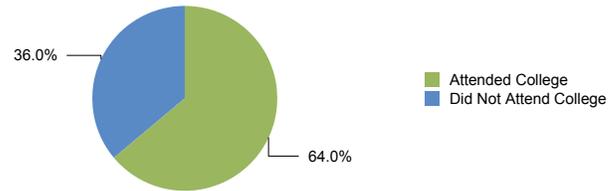


What is the education pipeline for Hardin County?

	County	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	16,541	654,455
Private K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	1,321	69,258
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2014	50.1%	50.0%
Special education population in 2013-2014	14.0%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2013-2014	51.9%	58.3%
Public high school graduates in 2011-2012	1,275	43,176
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2012-2013	816	26,413
In-state college going rate in 2012-2013	60.4%	56.2%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2012-2013	3.8%	5.5%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2012-2013	626	37,022
GEDs awarded in 2012-2013	181	7,746
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2012-2013	326	8,713
Students earning an associate degree in 2012-2013	392	9,089
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2012-2013	488	15,947
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2012-2013	137	5,270
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2012-2013	163	7,673
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2013-2014	125	17,613
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	55.9%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	10.9%	11.0%

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

Overall College Going Rates for 2012 Public High School Graduates



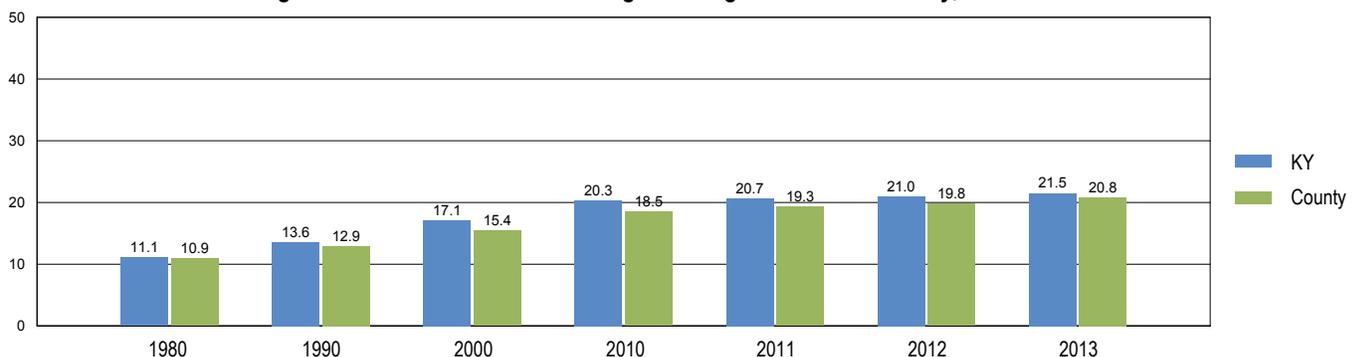
Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended

College/University	Number of Enrollments
Elizabethtown Community & Technical College	407
University of Louisville	97
Western Kentucky University	76
University of Kentucky	64
Eastern Kentucky University	26
Campbellsville University	23
Lindsey Wilson College	16
Murray State University	14
Bellarmine University	12
Jefferson Community & Technical College	11
Other Institutions	119

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

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	\$1,052	1,152
State need-based grants	\$360	143
State non-need-based grants	\$1,188	587
Federal Pell grants	\$1,688	308
Federal need-based loans	\$1,298	212
Federal non-need-based loans	\$818	191
Institutional grants	\$2,261	212

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

