

Muhlenberg County

2015 Kentucky County Profile

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What are some basic facts about Muhlenberg County residents?

	County	KY	US
Total population	31,179	4,395,295	316,128,839
Median household income	\$38,105	\$43,036	\$53,046
Per capita income	\$20,008	\$23,462	\$28,155
Living in poverty	20.4%	18.8%	15.4%
Eligible for Medicaid	20.3%	18.9%	n/a
Without medical insurance	17.8%	16.2%	17.0%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	58.2%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	9.3%	8.0%	7.4%
Access to Broadband Internet	96.9%	96.8%	98.6%

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

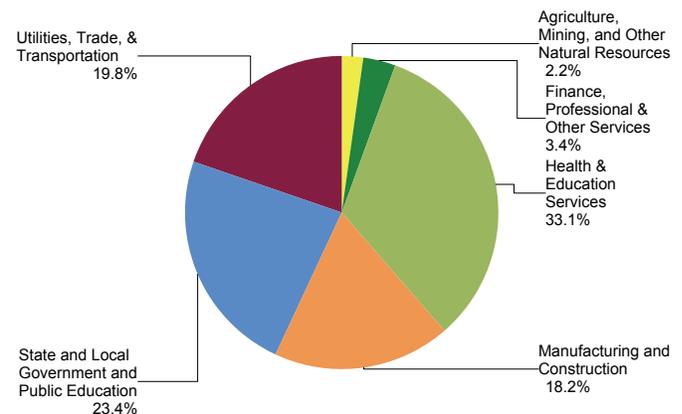
	County	KY
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	56.4%	62.8%
Ready for college by graduation	34.4%	56.2%
Ready for career by graduation	42.9%	17.8%
Average GPA for 2014 graduates	3.06	2.89
Average junior year ACT scores for 2014 graduates		
Composite	18.8	19.5
Mathematics	18.3	19.1
English	18.0	18.7
Reading	19.4	19.7
Science	18.8	19.7

What is the educational attainment of Muhlenberg County residents?

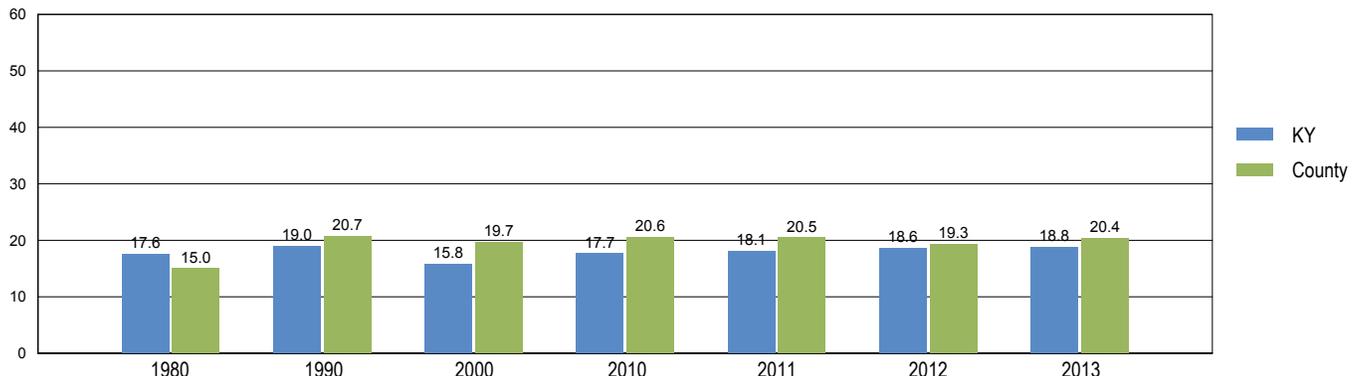
	County	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	22.2%	17.0%	13.9%
High school diploma or equivalent	40.1%	33.9%	28.1%
Some college but no degree	18.5%	20.5%	21.2%
Associate degree	8.0%	7.1%	7.8%
Bachelor's degree	5.7%	12.8%	18.0%
Graduate or professional degree	5.5%	8.8%	10.8%

What industries provide employment in Muhlenberg County?

2013 Employment by Sector



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



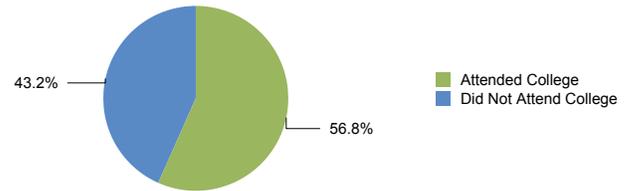


What is the education pipeline for Muhlenberg County?

	County	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	5,001	654,455
Private K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	96	69,258
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2014	40.2%	50.0%
Special education population in 2013-2014	12.7%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2013-2014	56.4%	58.3%
Public high school graduates in 2011-2012	324	43,176
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2012-2013	184	26,413
In-state college going rate in 2012-2013	54.6%	56.2%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2012-2013	2.5%	5.5%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2012-2013	312	37,022
GEDs awarded in 2012-2013	60	7,746
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2012-2013	101	8,713
Students earning an associate degree in 2012-2013	91	9,089
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2012-2013	70	15,947
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2012-2013	27	5,270
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2012-2013	46	7,673
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2013-2014	459	17,613
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	56.5%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	14.8%	11.0%

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

Overall College Going Rates for 2012 Public High School Graduates



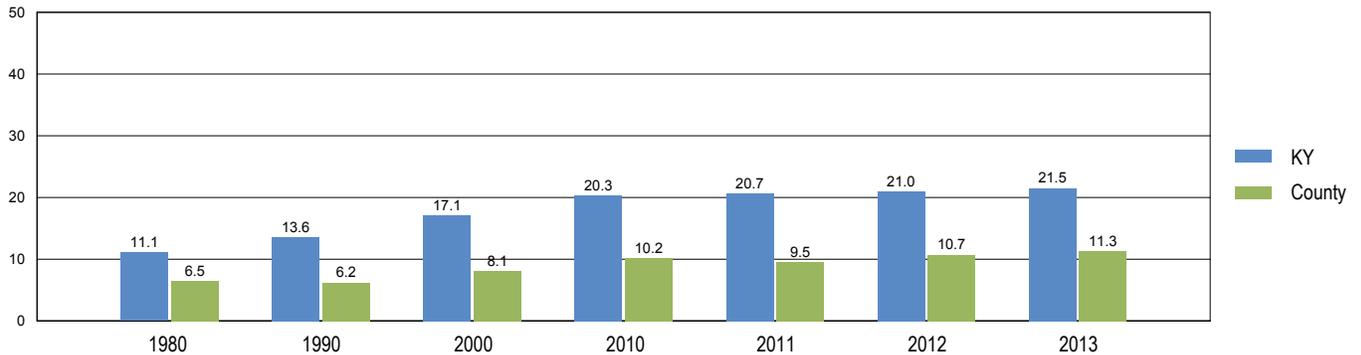
Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended

Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended	Number of Enrollments
Madisonville Community College	100
Western Kentucky University	26
Murray State University	10
University of Kentucky	8
Brescia University	7
Kentucky Wesleyan College	7
Owensboro Community & Technical College	6
University of Louisville	5
Bowling Green Technical College	3
Centre College	3
Other Institutions	17

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

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	\$741	310
State need-based grants	\$298	28
State non-need-based grants	\$1,168	143
Federal Pell grants	\$1,891	81
Federal need-based loans	\$1,026	36
Federal non-need-based loans	\$573	30
Institutional grants	\$1,427	52

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

