

Lee County

2014-2015 Kentucky County Profile

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What are some basic facts about Lee County residents?

	County	KY	US
Total population	7,706	4,380,415	313,914,040
Median household income	\$22,789	\$42,610	\$53,046
Per capita income	\$14,424	\$23,210	\$28,051
Living in poverty	36.9%	18.6%	14.9%
Eligible for Medicaid	38.0%	18.8%	n/a
Without medical insurance	17.5%	16.9%	17.9%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	50.3%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	12.6%	8.2%	8.1%
Access to Broadband Internet	20.4%	95.7%	98.8%

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

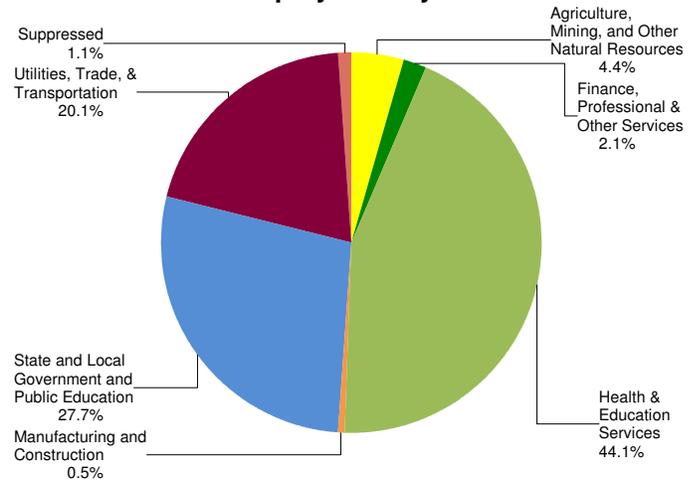
	County	KY
Average junior year ACT Composite score for 2013 graduates	18.2	19.4
Graduates ready for college-level coursework based on junior year ACT		
Mathematics	34.7%	41.6%
English	48.0%	55.7%
Reading	40.0%	44.7%
Science	18.7%	27.2%
Ready for college by graduation	44.6%	49.4%
Ready for career by graduation	54.2%	11.8%
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	62.7%	54.1%
Average GPA for 2013 graduates	2.81	2.88

What is the educational attainment of Lee County residents?

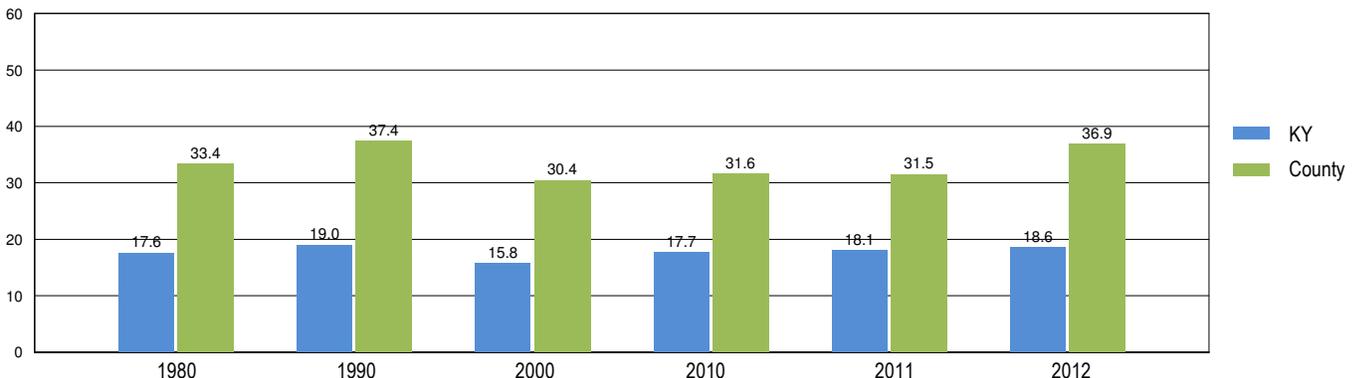
	County	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	32.0%	17.6%	14.3%
High school diploma or equivalent	41.2%	34.0%	28.2%
Some college but no degree	16.8%	20.5%	21.3%
Associate degree	4.5%	6.9%	7.7%
Bachelor's degree	2.6%	12.5%	17.9%
Graduate or professional degree	2.9%	8.5%	10.6%

What industries provide employment in Lee County?

2012 Employment by Sector



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



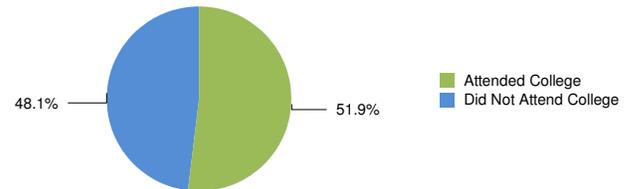


What is the education pipeline for Lee County?

	County	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2012-2013	1,059	652,317
Private K-12 enrollment in 2012-2013	55	70,078
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2013	38.1%	49.0%
Special education population in 2012-2013	13.6%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2012-2013	77.3%	56.6%
Public high school graduates in 2010-2011	52	44,853
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2011-2012	27	27,014
In-state college going rate in 2011-2012	51.9%	55.4%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2011-2012	0.0%	5.4%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2011-2012	161	40,300
GEDs awarded in 2011-2012	35	9,826
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2011-2012	13	8,193
Students earning an associate degree in 2011-2012	12	9,187
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2011-2012	16	15,745
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2011-2012	6	4,326
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2011-2012	7	7,480
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2012-2013	101	13,745
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	50.0%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	8.7%	11.0%

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

Overall College Going Rates for 2011 Public High School Graduates



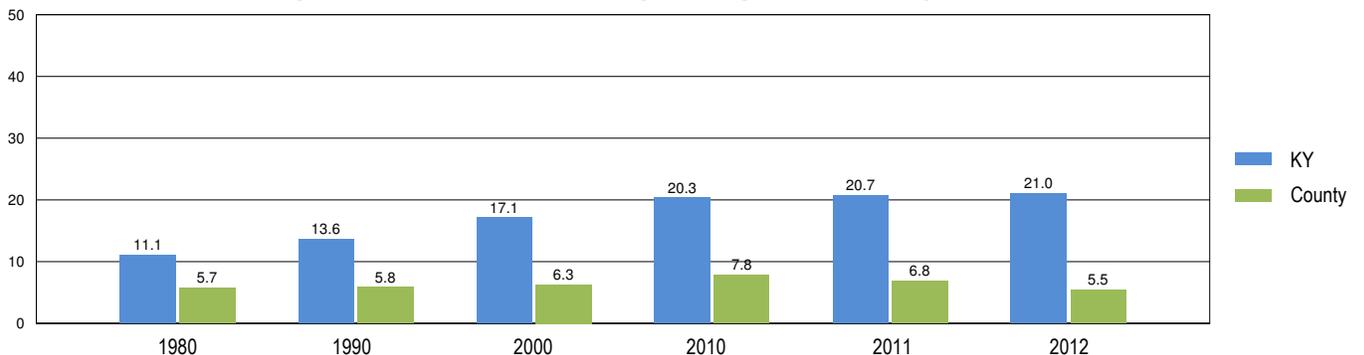
Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended

College/University	Number of Enrollments
Hazard Community & Technical College	11
Eastern Kentucky University	4
Somerset Community College	4
University of Kentucky	2
Bluegrass Community & Technical College	1
Kentucky Christian University	1
Morehead State University	1
Pikeville College	1
Sullivan University-Global	1
Transylvania University	1
Other Institutions	0

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

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	\$819	48
State need-based grants	n/a	7
State non-need-based grants	\$1,171	17
Federal Pell grants	\$4,110	17
Federal need-based loans	\$1,891	11
Federal non-need-based loans	n/a	5
Institutional grants	n/a	3

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