

Rockcastle County

2014-2015 Kentucky County Profile

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What are some basic facts about Rockcastle County residents?

	County	KY	US
Total population	17,006	4,380,415	313,914,040
Median household income	\$28,178	\$42,610	\$53,046
Per capita income	\$15,408	\$23,210	\$28,051
Living in poverty	26.7%	18.6%	14.9%
Eligible for Medicaid	27.7%	18.8%	n/a
Without medical insurance	19.3%	16.9%	17.9%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	53.6%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	9.1%	8.2%	8.1%
Access to Broadband Internet	98.4%	95.7%	98.8%

What is the educational attainment of Rockcastle County residents?

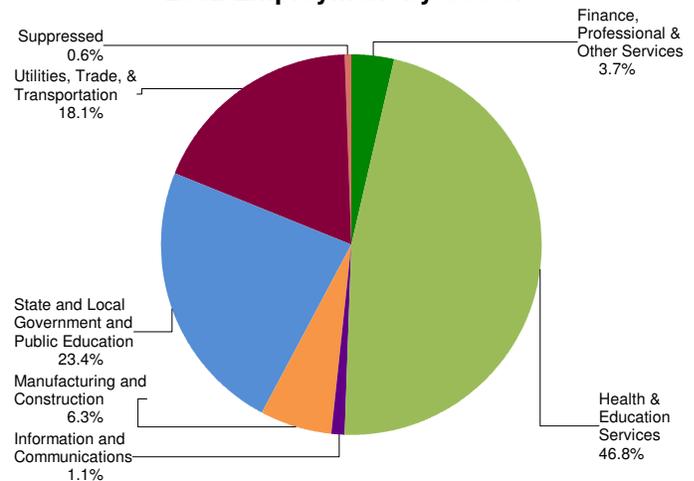
	County	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	26.8%	17.6%	14.3%
High school diploma or equivalent	39.7%	34.0%	28.2%
Some college but no degree	15.9%	20.5%	21.3%
Associate degree	7.2%	6.9%	7.7%
Bachelor's degree	4.7%	12.5%	17.9%
Graduate or professional degree	5.6%	8.5%	10.6%

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

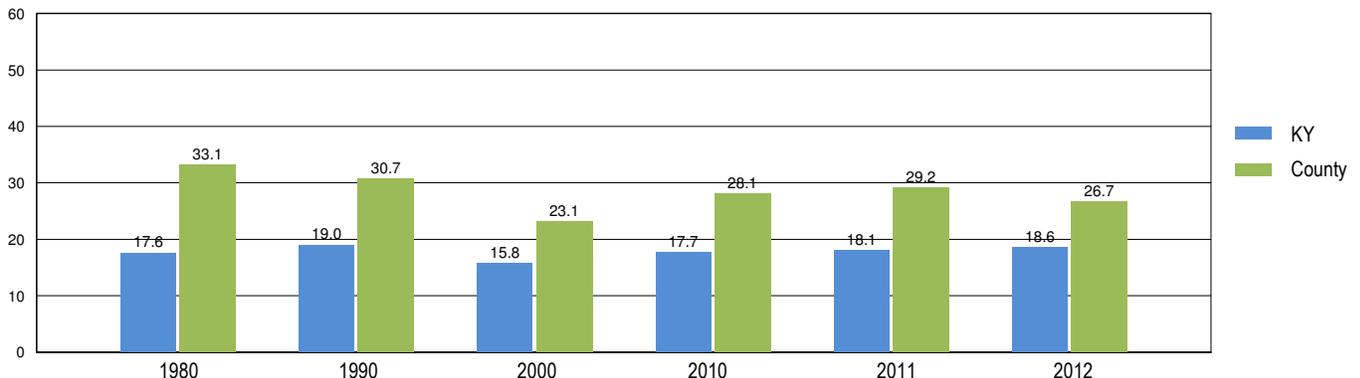
	County	KY
Average junior year ACT Composite score for 2013 graduates	19.3	19.4
Graduates ready for college-level coursework based on junior year ACT		
Mathematics	43.8%	41.6%
English	53.6%	55.7%
Reading	49.0%	44.7%
Science	26.3%	27.2%
Ready for college by graduation	45.2%	49.4%
Ready for career by graduation	40.0%	11.8%
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	62.4%	54.1%
Average GPA for 2013 graduates	3.09	2.88

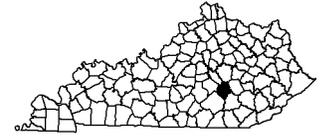
What industries provide employment in Rockcastle County?

2012 Employment by Sector



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



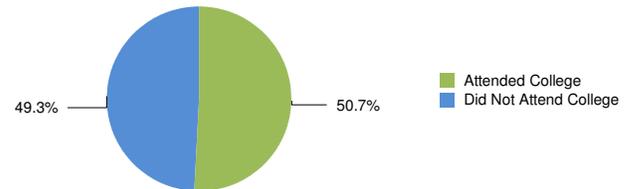


What is the education pipeline for Rockcastle County?

	County	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2012-2013	2,810	652,317
Private K-12 enrollment in 2012-2013	134	70,078
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2013	34.1%	49.0%
Special education population in 2012-2013	18.9%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2012-2013	68.5%	56.6%
Public high school graduates in 2010-2011	203	44,853
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2011-2012	103	27,014
In-state college going rate in 2011-2012	50.2%	55.4%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2011-2012	1.0%	5.4%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2011-2012	327	40,300
GEDs awarded in 2011-2012	44	9,826
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2011-2012	32	8,193
Students earning an associate degree in 2011-2012	30	9,187
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2011-2012	52	15,745
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2011-2012	10	4,326
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2011-2012	22	7,480
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2012-2013	243	13,745
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	34.5%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	2.2%	11.0%

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

Overall College Going Rates for 2011 Public High School Graduates



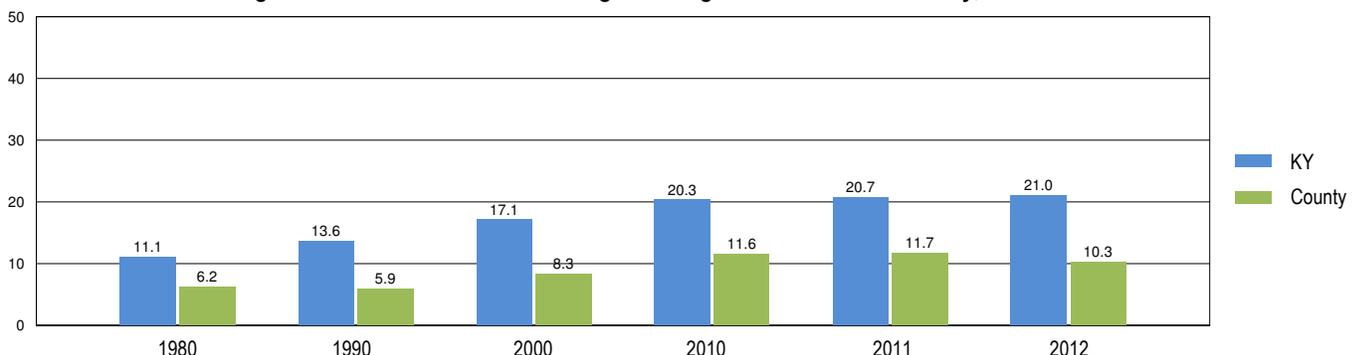
Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended

Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended	Number of Enrollments
Somerset Community College	54
Eastern Kentucky University	19
University of Kentucky	10
Lindsey Wilson College	6
University of Cumberlands	3
Western Kentucky University	3
Berea College	1
Campbellsville University	1
Georgetown College	1
Jefferson Community & Technical College	1
Other Institutions	7

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

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	\$1,053	184
State need-based grants	\$858	41
State non-need-based grants	\$1,304	73
Federal Pell grants	\$2,581	61
Federal need-based loans	\$887	24
Federal non-need-based loans	\$1,242	22
Institutional grants	\$1,875	23

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