Lyon County

2015 Kentucky County Profile

The 2015 County Profile is produced by the Kentucky Center for Education & Workforce Statistics utilizing data from the Kentucky Longitudinal Data System (KLDS), which includes data from the Department of Education, Council on Postsecondary Education, Education Professional Standards Board, Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority, and the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet. The report includes the most current data available for Kentucky counties, Area Development Districts (ADDs), and Workforce Investment Areas (WIAs) on demographics, employment, college readiness and educational attainment.

What are some basic facts about Lyon County residents?

	County	KY	US
Total population	8,451	4,395,295	316,128,839
Median household income	$40,112	$43,036	$53,046
Per capita income	$22,123	$23,462	$28,155
Living in poverty	16.8%	18.8%	15.4%
Eligible for Medicaid	12.6%	18.9%	n/a
Without medical insurance	17.4%	16.2%	17.0%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	64.1%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	8.2%	8.0%	7.4%
Access to Broadband Internet	100.0%	96.8%	98.6%

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

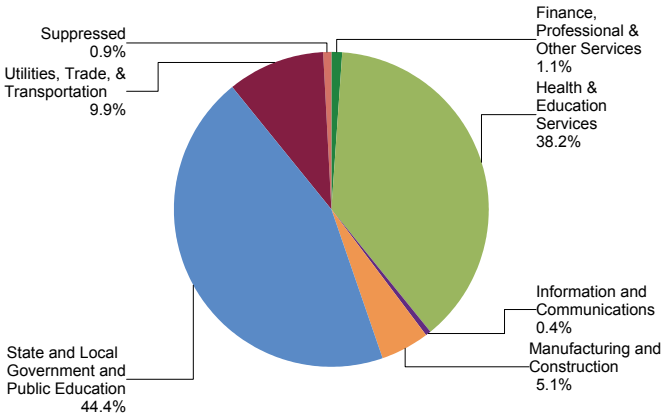
	County	KY
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	58.9%	62.8%
Ready for college by graduation	42.9%	56.2%
Ready for career by graduation	30.4%	17.8%
Average GPA for 2014 graduates	2.81	2.89
Average junior year ACT scores for 2014 graduates		
Composite	18.9	19.5
Mathematics	17.9	19.1
English	18.4	18.7
Reading	18.7	19.7
Science	19.7	19.7

What is the educational attainment of Lyon County residents?

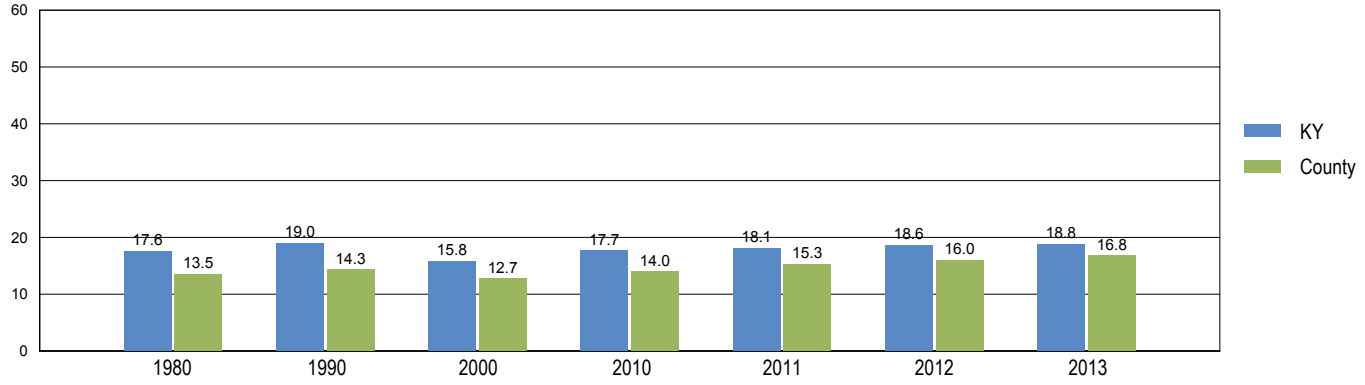
	County	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	16.6%	17.0%	13.9%
High school diploma or equivalent	39.8%	33.9%	28.1%
Some college but no degree	23.9%	20.5%	21.2%
Associate degree	6.5%	7.1%	7.8%
Bachelor's degree	8.6%	12.8%	18.0%
Graduate or professional degree	4.7%	8.8%	10.8%

What industries provide employment in Lyon County?

2013 Employment by Sector



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



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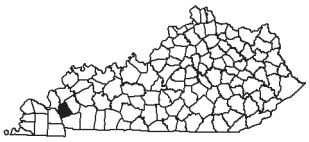
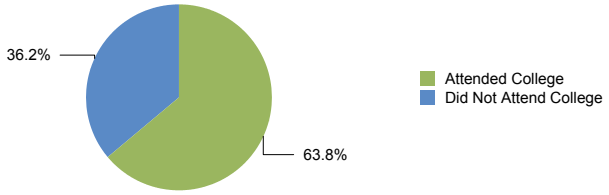


What is the education pipeline for Lyon County?

	County	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	851	654,455
Private K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	26	69,258
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2014	42.5%	50.0%
Special education population in 2013-2014	8.5%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2013-2014	55.5%	58.3%
Public high school graduates in 2011-2012	69	43,176
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2012-2013	44	26,413
In-state college going rate in 2012-2013	63.8%	56.2%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2012-2013	0.0%	5.5%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2012-2013	78	37,022
GEDs awarded in 2012-2013	34	7,746
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2012-2013	22	8,713
Students earning an associate degree in 2012-2013	28	9,089
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2012-2013	15	15,947
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2012-2013	8	5,270
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2012-2013	11	7,673
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2013-2014	126	17,613
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	50.0%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	45.5%	11.0%

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

Overall College Going Rates for 2012 Public High School Graduates

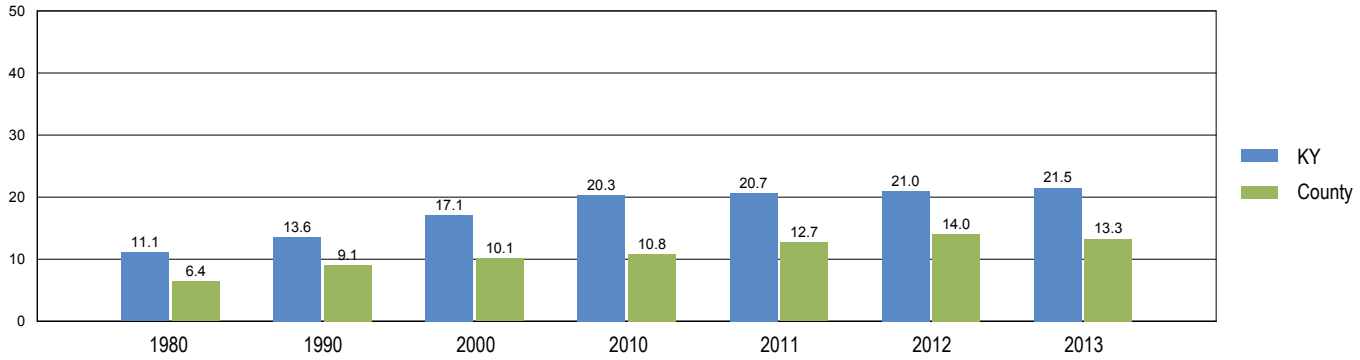


Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended	Number of Enrollments
Murray State University	19
West Ky Community & Technical College	15
Berea College	2
Madisonville Community College	2
Western Kentucky University	2
Lindsey Wilson College	1
University of Louisville	1
Georgetown College	1
University of Kentucky	1
Other Institutions	0

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

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	$1,140	63
State need-based grants	$632	13
State non-need-based grants	$1,327	34
Federal Pell grants	$1,747	17
Federal need-based loans	$1,932	14
Federal non-need-based loans	$922	12
Institutional grants	$2,533	18

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

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