

# Marion County

## 2015 Kentucky County Profile

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### What are some basic facts about Marion County residents?

	County	KY	US
Total population	20,045	4,395,295	316,128,839
Median household income	\$38,719	\$43,036	\$53,046
Per capita income	\$18,865	\$23,462	\$28,155
Living in poverty	17.0%	18.8%	15.4%
Eligible for Medicaid	20.3%	18.9%	n/a
Without medical insurance	15.6%	16.2%	17.0%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	58.9%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	8.0%	8.0%	7.4%
Access to Broadband Internet	91.1%	96.8%	98.6%

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

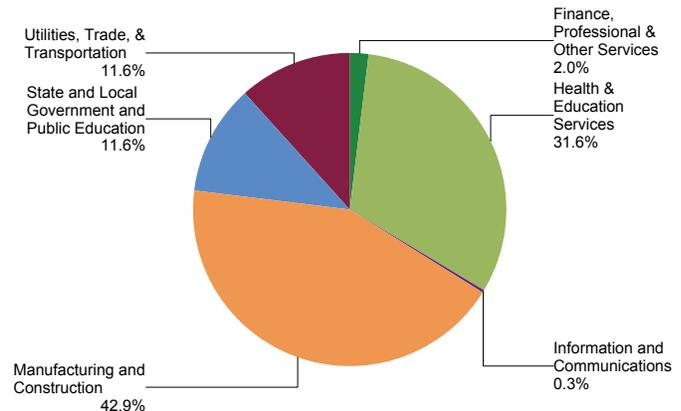
	County	KY
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	58.3%	62.8%
Ready for college by graduation	51.1%	56.2%
Ready for career by graduation	30.9%	17.8%
Average GPA for 2014 graduates	2.90	2.89
Average junior year ACT scores for 2014 graduates		
Composite	19.8	19.5
Mathematics	19.5	19.1
English	19.5	18.7
Reading	19.8	19.7
Science	19.7	19.7

### What is the educational attainment of Marion County residents?

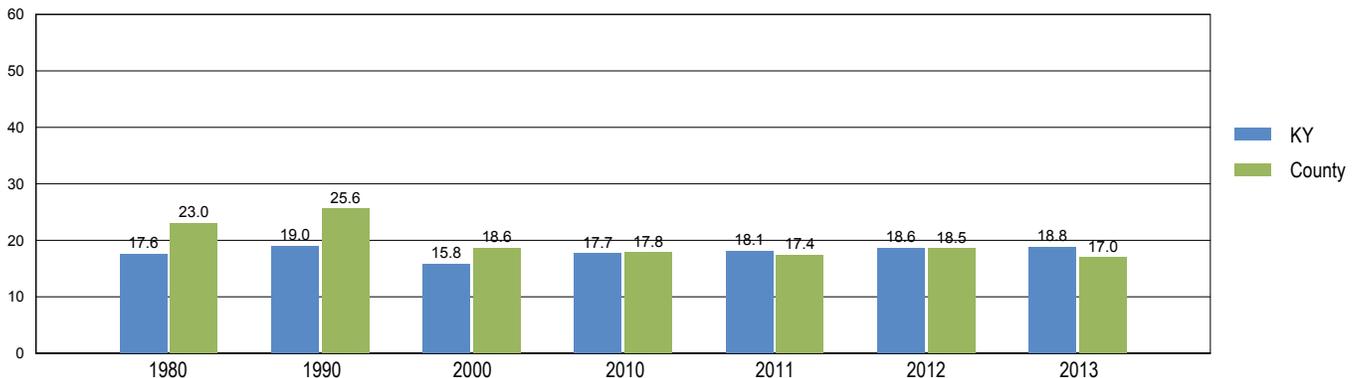
	County	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	18.2%	17.0%	13.9%
High school diploma or equivalent	46.2%	33.9%	28.1%
Some college but no degree	15.0%	20.5%	21.2%
Associate degree	8.1%	7.1%	7.8%
Bachelor's degree	7.1%	12.8%	18.0%
Graduate or professional degree	5.5%	8.8%	10.8%

### What industries provide employment in Marion County?

#### 2013 Employment by Sector



### Percentage of Marion County Population Living in Poverty, 1980-2013



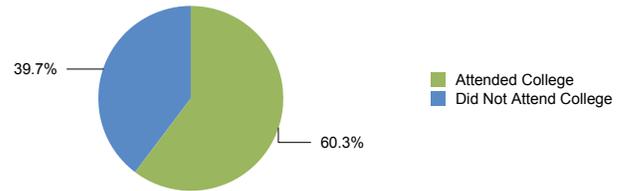


**What is the education pipeline for Marion County?**

	County	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	3,109	654,455
Private K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	187	69,258
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2014	56.3%	50.0%
Special education population in 2013-2014	12.8%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2013-2014	60.8%	58.3%
Public high school graduates in 2011-2012	232	43,176
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2012-2013	140	26,413
In-state college going rate in 2012-2013	59.9%	56.2%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2012-2013	0.4%	5.5%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2012-2013	194	37,022
GEDs awarded in 2012-2013	77	7,746
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2012-2013	55	8,713
Students earning an associate degree in 2012-2013	61	9,089
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2012-2013	63	15,947
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2012-2013	31	5,270
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2012-2013	31	7,673
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2013-2014	98	17,613
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	52.4%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	20.7%	11.0%

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

**Overall College Going Rates for 2012 Public High School Graduates**



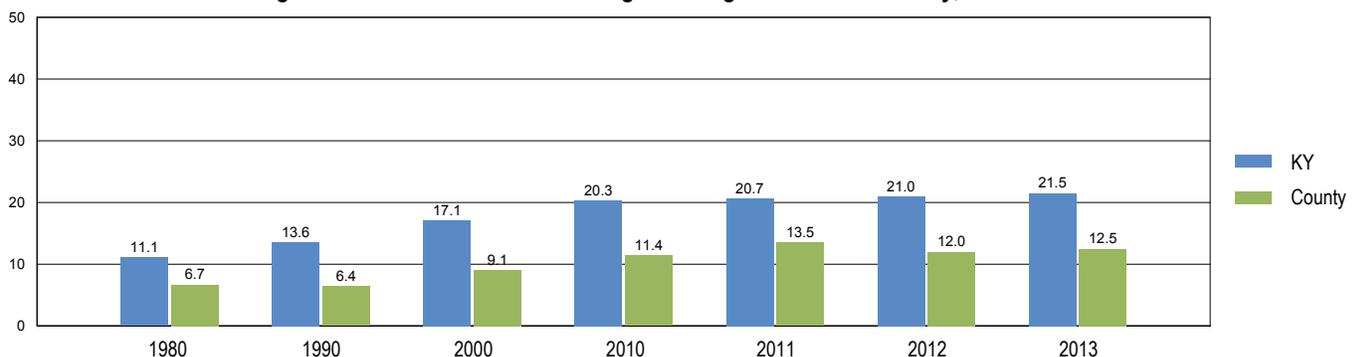
**Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended**

Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended	Number of Enrollments
Bluegrass Community & Technical College	32
Elizabethtown Community & Technical College	25
Campbellsville University	18
Eastern Kentucky University	14
Western Kentucky University	12
University of Kentucky	11
St. Catharine College	10
University of Louisville	10
Lindsey Wilson College	5
Northern Kentucky University	2
Other Institutions	8

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

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	\$1,114	214
State need-based grants	\$297	20
State non-need-based grants	\$1,250	94
Federal Pell grants	\$1,544	40
Federal need-based loans	\$1,731	42
Federal non-need-based loans	\$940	34
Institutional grants	\$855	26

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