

Pulaski County

2014-2015 Kentucky County Profile

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What are some basic facts about Pulaski County residents?

	County	KY	US
Total population	63,593	4,380,415	313,914,040
Median household income	\$32,788	\$42,610	\$53,046
Per capita income	\$20,093	\$23,210	\$28,051
Living in poverty	23.3%	18.6%	14.9%
Eligible for Medicaid	24.8%	18.8%	n/a
Without medical insurance	18.1%	16.9%	17.9%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	59.1%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	9.4%	8.2%	8.1%
Access to Broadband Internet	99.3%	95.7%	98.8%

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

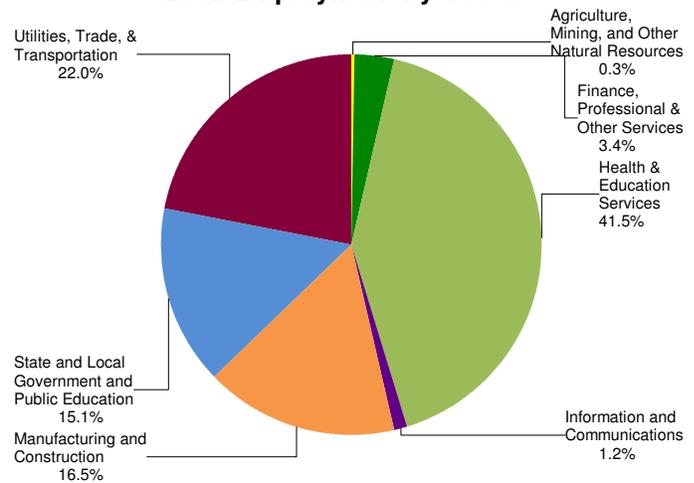
	County	KY
Average junior year ACT Composite score for 2013 graduates	19.3	19.4
Graduates ready for college-level coursework based on junior year ACT		
Mathematics	42.7%	41.6%
English	54.6%	55.7%
Reading	45.7%	44.7%
Science	27.8%	27.2%
Ready for college by graduation	61.2%	49.4%
Ready for career by graduation	28.3%	11.8%
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	69.2%	54.1%
Average GPA for 2013 graduates	2.85	2.88

What is the educational attainment of Pulaski County residents?

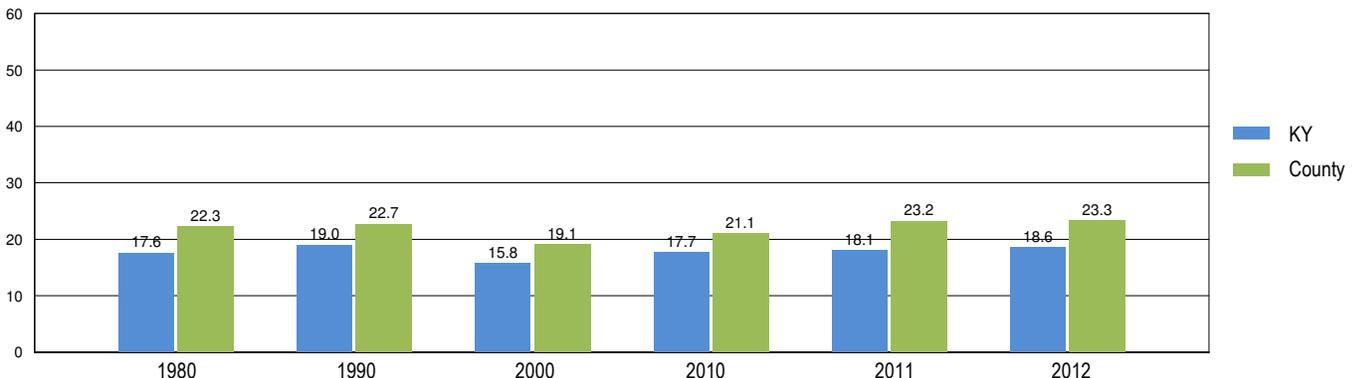
	County	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	21.5%	17.6%	14.3%
High school diploma or equivalent	38.6%	34.0%	28.2%
Some college but no degree	17.9%	20.5%	21.3%
Associate degree	8.0%	6.9%	7.7%
Bachelor's degree	8.0%	12.5%	17.9%
Graduate or professional degree	6.0%	8.5%	10.6%

What industries provide employment in Pulaski County?

2012 Employment by Sector



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



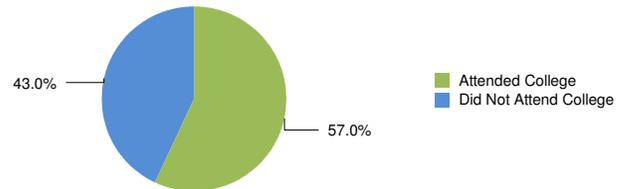


What is the education pipeline for Pulaski County?

	County	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2012-2013	9,935	652,317
Private K-12 enrollment in 2012-2013	670	70,078
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2013	40.4%	49.0%
Special education population in 2012-2013	12.8%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2012-2013	64.5%	56.6%
Public high school graduates in 2010-2011	702	44,853
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2011-2012	400	27,014
In-state college going rate in 2011-2012	54.6%	55.4%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2011-2012	2.6%	5.4%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2011-2012	817	40,300
GEDs awarded in 2011-2012	116	9,826
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2011-2012	177	8,193
Students earning an associate degree in 2011-2012	214	9,187
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2011-2012	201	15,745
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2011-2012	54	4,326
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2011-2012	86	7,480
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2012-2013	284	13,745
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	56.8%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	10.0%	11.0%

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

Overall College Going Rates for 2011 Public High School Graduates



Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended

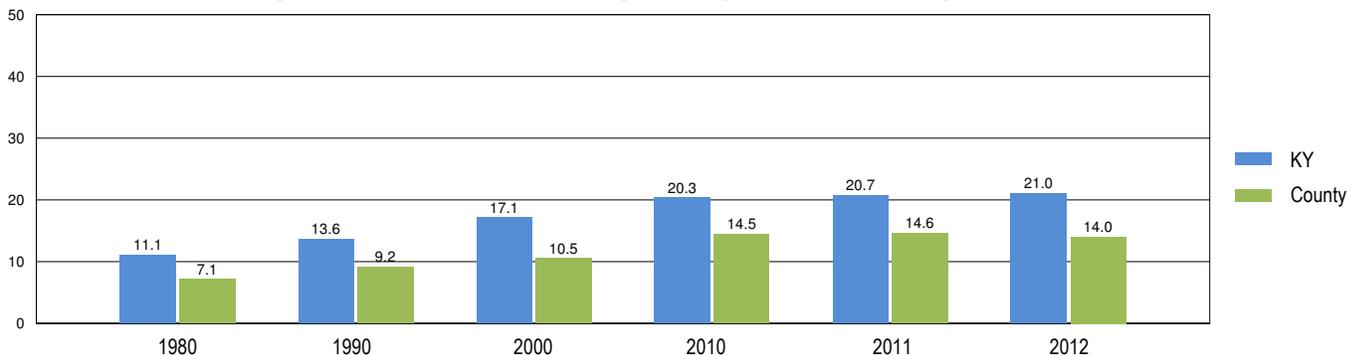
Number of Enrollments

Somerset Community College	236
Eastern Kentucky University	31
University of Kentucky	27
Western Kentucky University	26
Lindsey Wilson College	14
Morehead State University	10
University of Louisville	9
Berea College	8
University of Cumberlands	8
Campbellsville University	7
Other Institutions	36

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

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	\$1,057	615
State need-based grants	\$600	106
State non-need-based grants	\$1,236	267
Federal Pell grants	\$2,907	213
Federal need-based loans	\$911	93
Federal non-need-based loans	\$1,158	82
Institutional grants	\$1,684	90

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