



Mercer County

Family and Individual Development Data

Data provided in this issue of Kentucky: By The Numbers were **compiled to correspond to the issues** covered in the **Family and Individual Development** section of the University of Kentucky

Cooperative Extension Statewide Community Needs Assessment

<https://extension.ca.uky.edu/community-assessment-0>

The statewide needs assessment was conducted to identify and prioritize community needs, issues, and/or opportunities that Extension could address through targeted educational programming and engagement efforts. The survey was divided into 4 areas: 1) Agriculture and Natural Resources, 2) Youth Development, 3) **Family and Individual Development**, and 4) Community and Economic Development.

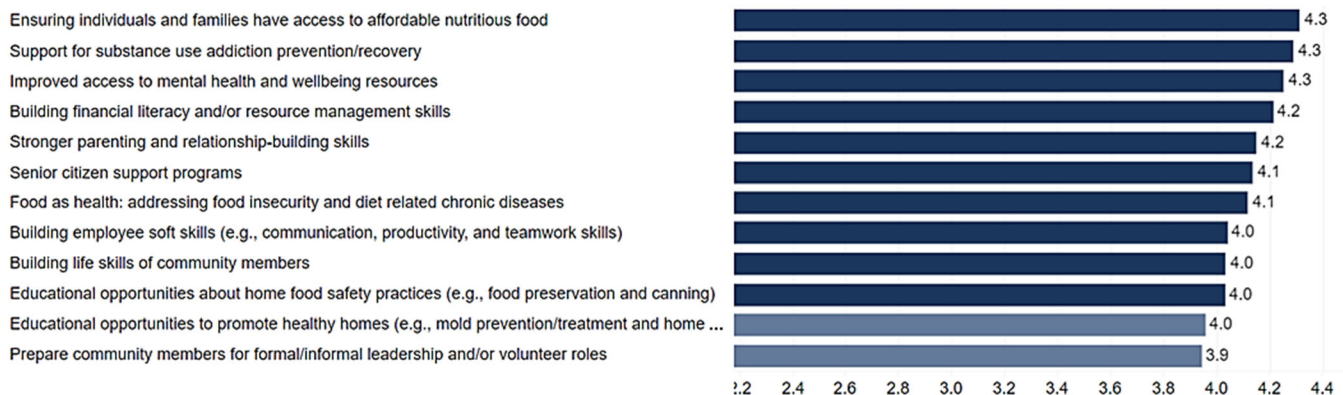
These data have been compiled to assist in using the survey results for local planning. Data from nearly 40 different sources were selected and links to each data source are provided at the end. Secondary data for the other survey sections are available at <https://kybtn.ca.uky.edu/>. To learn more about Cooperative Extension at the University of Kentucky go to: <http://extension.ca.uky.edu/>.

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Family and Individual Development Survey Section

State Results, University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Statewide Community Needs Assessment

In your opinion, to what extent is practical education/assistance in each of the following topics a need in your community?
1 = Not a need, 2 = Low need, 3 = Moderate need, 4 = Very high need, 5 = Very high need



Food Assistance and Access

Food Assistance¹ (July 2022)

	County
Number of Persons Receiving SNAP	2,156
Number of Households Receiving SNAP	1,022

Food Access³ (2021)

	County
Number of Food and Beverage Stores	6
Number of Grocery Stores	4
Number of Supermarkets and other Grocery Stores (except convenience stores)	3
Number of Convenience Stores	n/a
Number of Gasoline Stations with Convenience Store	6

Food Insecurity² (2021)

	County
Overall Food Insecurity Rate	10.8%
Number of Food Insecure Persons Overall	2,430
Child Food Insecurity Rate	11.0%
Number of Food Insecure Children	550

School Lunch⁴ (2022-2023 academic year)

	County
Number of Students who are Economically Disadvantaged based upon being Program or Income Eligible for Free or Reduced-priced Meals*	1,835

* = Due to confidentiality, data are undisclosed or county total does not include schools/districts with undisclosed data.

Health

Physical and Mental Health⁵ (age adjusted) (2020)

	County
Percent of Adults Reporting Fair or Poor Health	18.4% (16.1% - 21.0%)
Average Number of Physically Unhealthy Days Reported in Past 30 Days	4.2 days (3.8 - 4.7)
Percent of Adults Reporting 14 or more Days of Poor Physical Health per Month	12.7% (11.4% - 14.1%)
Average Number of Mentally Unhealthy Days Reported in Past 30 Days	5.4 days (5.1 - 5.8)
Percent of Adults Reporting 14 or more Days of Poor Mental Health per Month	18.3% (17.0% - 19.7%)

Leisure-Time Physical Activity⁵ (age adjusted) (2020)

	County
Percent of Adults Age 18+ Reporting No Leisure-Time Physical Activity	30.4% (27.3% - 33.6%)

Physical Activity Access⁵ (2022)

	County
Percent of Population with Adequate Access to Locations for Physical Activity	40.7%

Diabetes and Obesity⁵ (age adjusted) (2020)

	County
Percent of Adults Ages 20+ Diagnosed with Diabetes	10.4% (9.7% - 11.2%)
Percent of Adults Ages 18+ that Report a Body Mass Index (BMI) Greater than or Equal to 30 kg/m2	39.6% (37.6% - 41.5%)

Population Without Health Insurance⁶ (2021)

	County
<u>Under Age 19</u> without Health Insurance	237 (+/- 67)
<u>Under Age 65</u> without Health Insurance	1,267 (+/- 178)
Percent under Age 65 without Health Ins.	6.8% (+/- 1.0%)
Females under Age 65 without Health Ins.	529 (+/- 106)
Males under Age 65 without Health Ins.	738 (+/- 141)

Medical Care⁵

	County
Number of Primary Care Physicians (2020)	5
Number of Mental Health Providers (2022)	29
Number of Dentists (2021)	5

Substance Abuse

Substance Abuse Disorder Diagnosis⁷

3-Year Total (2020-2022)		5-Year Total (2018-2022)	
	County		County
Emergency Dept Visits	792	Emergency Dept Visits	1,445
Inpatient Hospitalization	43	Inpatient Hospitalization	92

NonFatal Overdose Related Emergency Dept. Visits⁷

	County
3-Year Total (2020-2022)	
<u>Any Drug-Involved</u>	264
<u>Any Opioid-Involved</u>	97
5-Year Total (2018-2022)	
<u>Any Drug-Involved</u>	430
<u>Any Opioid-Involved</u>	160

NonFatal Overdose Related Inpatient Hospitalization⁷

	County
3-Year Total (2020-2022)	
<u>Any Drug-Involved</u>	67
<u>Any Opioid Drug-Involved</u>	n/a
5-Year Total (2018-2022)	
<u>Any Drug-Involved</u>	129
<u>Any Opioid Drug-Involved</u>	n/a

Fatal Overdose⁷

3-Year Total (2020-2022)		5-Year Total (2018-2022)	
	County		County
Any Drug-Involved Fatal Overdose	36	Any Drug-Involved Fatal Overdose	n/a
Any Opioid-Involved Fatal Overdose	n/a	Any Opioid-Involved Fatal Overdose	33

Financial

Median Income⁸ (2018-2022)

	County
All Households	\$60,728 (+/- \$4,145)
Families with Own Children under 18	\$85,672 (+/- \$10,800)

Poverty Rate⁹ (2018-2022)

	County
All Families Below Poverty	6.8% (+/- 2.6%)
Families with Related Children under 18	10.7% (+/- 5.8%)
Families with One Worker	10.1% (+/- 6.0%)
Families with Householder Working Full Time/Year-Round	2.1% (+/- 2.0%)

Consumer Debt¹⁰ (Feb 2022)

	County
Percent of People with Auto/Retail Debt	33.9%
Percent of People with Auto Loans	26.0%

Debt in Collections¹⁰ (Feb 2022)

	County
Percent of People with any Debt in Collections	28.3%
Median Amount	\$1,039

Student Loans¹⁰ (Feb 2022)

	County
Percent of People with Student Loan Debt	14.5%
Median Amount	\$19,627

Medical Debt in Collections¹⁰ (Feb 2022)

	County
Percent of People with Medical Debt in Collections	15.9%
Median Amount	\$373

Aging

Total Population ¹¹ (2022)	
	County
Ages 65+	4,411
Ages 65-74	2,632
Ages 75-84	1,384
Age 85+	395

Households ¹² (2018-2022)	
	County
Percent of Households with One or more People Ages 65+	30.6% (+/- 1.8%)
Percent of Households with Householder 65+ Living Alone	14.8% (+/- 2.2%)

Poverty and Income ^{13 & 8} (2018-2022)	
	County
Poverty Rate - Population Ages 65+	14.6% (+/- 4.2%)
Median Income - Householder Ages 65+	\$38,877 (+/- \$9,667)

Population Ages 65+ ¹¹ (2022)	
	County
Percent of Total Population that is Ages 65+	19.3%
Percent Female	55.1%
Percent Male	44.9%

Population Projection ¹⁴ (2035)	
	County
Projected Population Ages 65+ (2035 projection)	5,305

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Margins of Error

For counties with small populations and small population groups, the **margins of error** (indicated by a +/- ___) or confidence intervals (indicated by a range) can be quite large.

The margin of error or confidence interval tells us how precise the estimate is by indicating the **range within which the estimate most likely falls**.

For help in understanding the margin of error, see the brief Kentucky: By The Numbers publication

“And Now for the Grain of Salt.”

Additional data are available at:
Kentucky: By The Numbers
(<http://www2.ca.uky.edu/snarl/index.htm>)

