



Lawrence County

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Demographics

	<u>2010</u> ¹	<u>2018</u> ²	<u>2025</u> ³ (Projection)	<u>Families with Own Children</u> ⁴	<u>2013-2017</u>
Population					
Total population	15,860	15,571	15,378	... Married couple	1,271 (+/-155)
... Under 20 years old	4,122	4,004	3,905	... Female householder	209 (+/-76)
... Ages 65 and over	2,245	2,699	3,235	... Male householder	95 (+/-48)

Youth

	<u>2013-2017</u>
# of grandparents who live with and are responsible for grandchildren ⁴	213 (+/-96)
% of own children under 6 years old with all parents in the labor force ⁴	28.2% (+/-8.8%)
STARS certified and licensed child care: ⁵	<u>2018</u>
... Number of Providers	2
... Capacity	80

Education

	<u>2013-2017</u>
% of population 25 and over with high school or higher ⁴	76.7% (+/-2.7%)
% of population 25 and over with bachelor's degree or higher ⁴	11.6% (+/-2.6%)
% of 3rd grade students scoring proficient or distinguished on math in the 2017-18 school year ⁵	41.0%
# of children enrolled in Head Start during the 2017-18 school year ⁵	32
High school graduates in 2017: ⁷	
... average high school GPA	2.89
... % earning an industry certificate	26.3%
... % college/career ready	65.7%

Income/Earnings

Median household income (2017) ⁶	\$28,672 (\$25,694-\$31,650)
Median earnings in past 12 months ⁴	<u>2013-2017</u>
... Women	\$23,363 (+/- \$1,688)
... Men	\$32,395 (+/- \$3,710)
... High school graduate	\$28,750 (+/- \$3,685)
... Bachelor's degree	\$41,332 (+/- \$4,152)

Agriculture

	<u>2017</u> ⁸	<u>2017</u> ⁸
# of farms	284	Farms with food sold directly to consumers
% of land in farms	19.3%	Value of food sold directly to consumers
% of farms operated by a family or an individual	95.1%	Processed or value-added agricultural products sold
% of principal producers under age 35	4.7%	... Farms
% of principal producers who are female	26.6%	... Value
# of new and beginning principal producers	107	Food sold directly to retail markets, institutions, and food hubs for local or regionally branded products
# of farms with income from agri-tourism and recreational services	0	... Farms
		... Value

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Employment

	2017
Total employment (# of jobs) ⁹	4,846
	2016
# of establishments w/ 1-9 employees ¹⁰	150
% of establishments w/ 1-9 employees ¹⁰	73.2%
Nonemployer establishments (w/o employees) ¹¹	807
	2013-2017
% of workers ages 16 and over who: ⁴	
... work inside the county	48.8% (+/-4.1%)
... work outside the county	37.2% (+/-4.5%)
... work outside the state	14.0% (+/-2.9%)

Coal Employment

	2011 ¹²	2016 ¹³
(-- = no data)		
Direct employment at coal mines	34	41
% of total employment	0.62%	1.30%

Health

	2015-2017
% of adults with obesity ¹⁴	43% (34.59-52.71%)
% of adults with diabetes ¹⁴	23% (16.64-32.01%)
% of adults reporting a time in past year they needed to see a doctor but could not because of the cost ¹⁴	16% (9.99-23.71%)

Substance Abuse

Drug-related inpatient hospitalizations and emergency department visits for overdose among county residents¹⁵

	2016	2017	2018		2016	2017	2018
Heroin	1-4	1-4	1-4	Benzodiazepines (i.e. Valium, etc.)	12	1-4	0
Cocaine	0	0	0	Antidepressants	1-4	1-4	7
Opioids other than Heroin	5	6	5	Any Substance	50	42	39

Drug overdose deaths among county residents¹⁶

	2016	2017	2018		2016	2017	2018
All Drug Overdose Deaths	6	1-4	1-4	Involving Benzodiazepines	1-4	1-4	0
Involving Heroin	0	0	0	Involving Fentanyl	1-4	0	1-4

Poverty/Insecurity

% of workers ages 16 and over who worked full-time year-round and were below poverty (2013-2017) ⁴	3.0% (+/-1.3%)
Estimated food insecurity rate (2017) ¹⁷	17.3%
Youth under age 18 who lived in households that received Supplemental Security Income (SSI), cash public assistance, or food stamps/SNAP in the past 12 months (2013-2017) ⁴	1,194 (+/-230)
Children determined by the Dept. of Community Based Services to have been victims of child abuse or neglect (2018) ¹⁸	122

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