

# Non-Appalachian Region

## 2015 Kentucky County Profile

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### What are some basic facts about Non-Appalachian region residents?

	Region	KY	US
Total population	3,217,718	4,395,295	316,128,839
Median household income	n/a	\$43,036	\$53,046
Per capita income	\$25,367	\$23,462	\$28,155
Living in poverty	16.5%	18.8%	15.4%
Eligible for Medicaid	15.5%	18.9%	n/a
Without medical insurance	15.6%	16.2%	17.0%
Registered voters who voted in the 2012 general election	62.0%	59.7%	68.0%
Unemployment rate	7.3%	8.0%	7.4%
Access to Broadband Internet	99.0%	96.8%	98.6%

### What is the educational attainment of Non-Appalachian region residents?

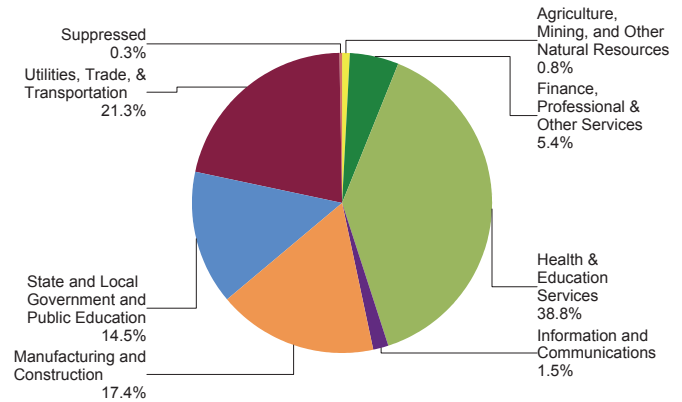
	Region	KY	US
Less than a high school diploma or equivalent	13.9%	17.0%	13.9%
High school diploma or equivalent	32.5%	33.9%	28.1%
Some college but no degree	21.5%	20.5%	21.2%
Associate degree	7.4%	7.1%	7.8%
Bachelor's degree	14.8%	12.8%	18.0%
Graduate or professional degree	9.9%	8.8%	10.8%

### Are Non-Appalachian region public high school graduates prepared for college and career?

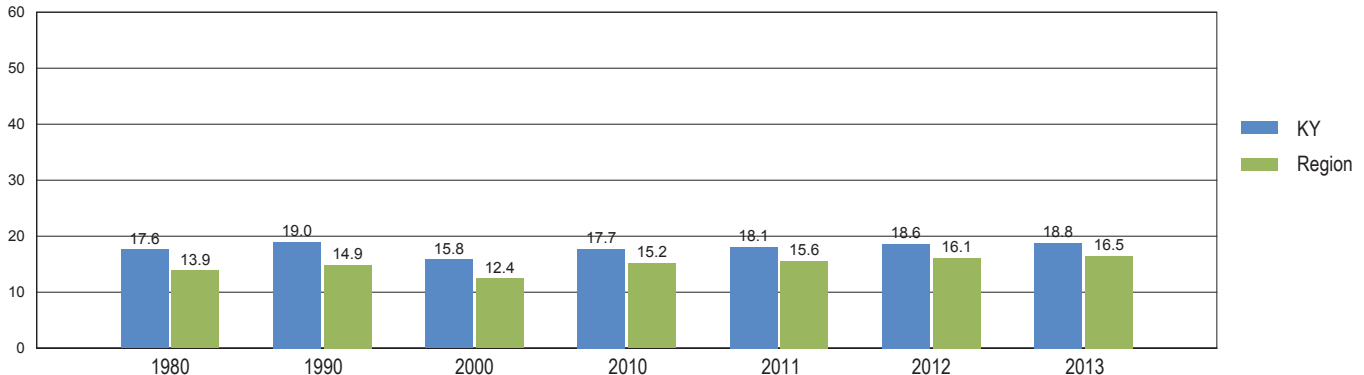
	Region	KY
Ready for college and/or career by graduation	63.3%	62.8%
Ready for college by graduation	57.6%	56.2%
Ready for career by graduation	14.8%	17.8%
Average GPA for 2014 graduates	2.88	2.89
Average junior year ACT Composite scores for 2014 graduates		
Composite	19.8	19.5
Mathematics	19.5	19.1
English	19.1	18.7
Reading	20.0	19.7
Science	20.0	19.7

### What industries provide employment in the Non-Appalachian region?

#### 2013 Employment by Sector



### Percentage of Non-Appalachian Region Population Living in Poverty, 1980-2013



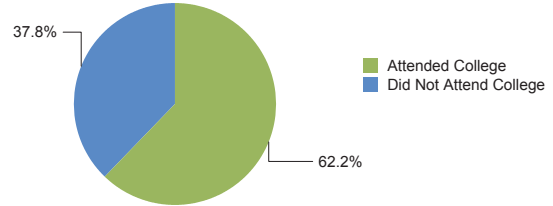


**What is the education pipeline for the Non-Appalachian region?**

	Region	KY
Public K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	466,855	654,455
Private K-12 enrollment in 2013-2014	59,124	69,258
Entering students ready for kindergarten in fall 2014	51.5%	50.0%
Special education population in 2013-2014	12.5%	13.2%
Students qualifying for free and reduced lunch in 2013-2014	54.7%	58.3%
Public high school graduates in 2011-2012	30,396	43,176
Public high school graduates entering postsecondary education in 2012-2013	18,908	26,413
In-state college going rate in 2012-2013	56.5%	56.2%
Out-of-state college going rate in 2012-2013	6.3%	5.5%
Kentucky Adult Education enrollments for 2012-2013	21,744	37,022
GEDs awarded in 2012-2013	4,772	7,746
Students earning a postsecondary certificate or diploma in 2012-2013	5,834	8,713
Students earning an associate degree in 2012-2013	6,191	9,089
Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2012-2013	12,421	15,947
Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in 2012-2013	4,145	5,270
Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2012-2013	5,926	7,673
National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRC) awarded in 2013-2014	10,374	17,613
Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2007 cohort	58.7%	54.2%
Associate degree three-year graduation rate for 2010 cohort	11.5%	11.0%

**What were the top college choices for Non-Appalachian region public high school graduates?**

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



**Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended**

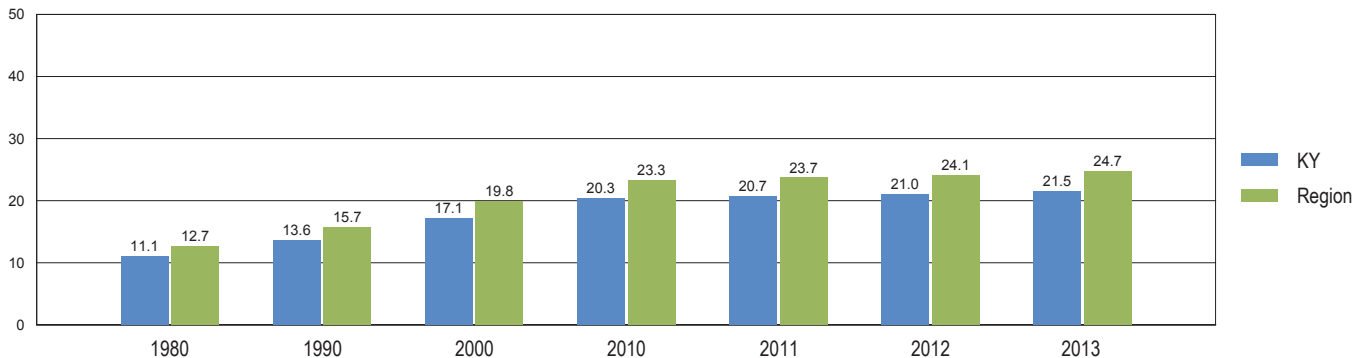
**Number of Enrollments**

Top 10 Colleges and Universities Attended	Number of Enrollments
University of Kentucky	2,094
Western Kentucky University	1,917
University of Louisville	1,665
Jefferson Community & Technical College	1,398
Bluegrass Community & Technical College	1,276
Northern Kentucky University	985
Murray State University	861
Elizabethtown Community & Technical College	856
Eastern Kentucky University	786
West Ky Community & Technical College	744
Other Institutions	6,987

**How much financial aid did 2012 public high school graduates from the Non-Appalachian region receive in 2013?**

	Average	Awards
Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES)	\$1,088	27,320
State need-based grants	\$477	3,815
State non-need-based grants	\$1,220	13,178
Federal Pell grants	\$1,815	6,956
Federal need-based loans	\$1,656	5,305
Federal non-need-based loans	\$1,053	4,992
Institutional grants	\$2,040	5,074

**Percentage of Adults with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher in Non-Appalachian Region, 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:

