

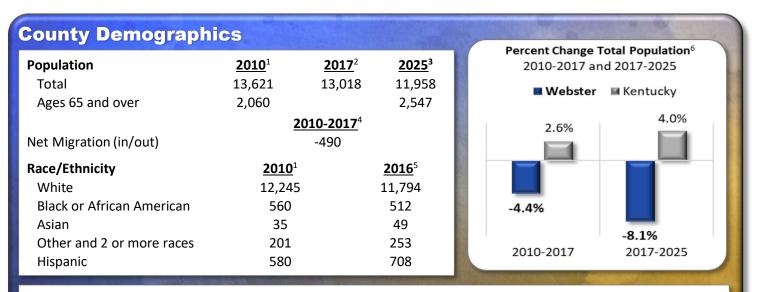
Webster County Data Profile

Webster County's Data Profile is provided by the Kentucky: By The Numbers program in the Department of Community and Leadership Development for the Community Assessments conducted by the University of Kentucky's Cooperative Extension Service. These secondary data profiles supplement the survey, focus groups, and key informant interviews conducted in each county across the state through the County Extension Offices and coordinated by Community and Economic Development Initiative of Kentucky (CEDIK).

The overall goals for the Community Assessments are:

- To gain a better understanding of the county's pressing issues;
- To enhance Extension's place-based approach by providing information on locally relevant issues in counties;
- To gain a better understanding of how Extension can support important community change to improve Kentucky;
- To provide a statewide view of how top issues are distributed across the state.

For more information on the Community Assessment process, visit <u>https://extension.ca.uky.edu/communityassessment</u> For additional data or other data-related assistance, contact: Dr. Julie N. Zimmerman (jzimm@uky.edu)

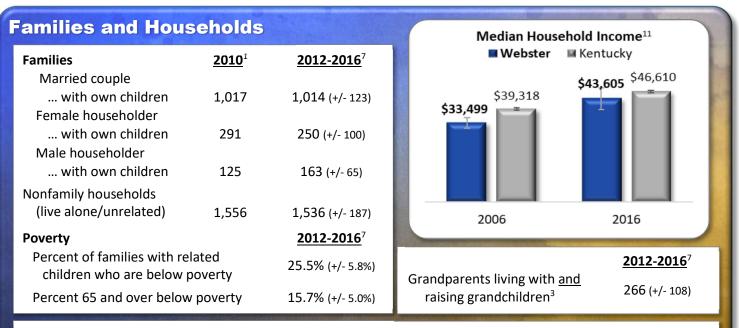


- From 2010 to 2017, the total population in Webster County <u>decreased</u> by -603 people.²
- Between April 2010 and June 2017, there was an estimated <u>net out migration</u> of -490 people.⁴
- In 2016, the composition of Webster County's population is estimated to be 88.6% White, 3.8% Black/African American, 0.4% Asian, 1.9% other and 2 or more races, and 5.3% Hispanic.⁵
- From 2017 to 2025, the total population in Webster County is projected to decrease by -1,060 people.³
- As baby boomers are entering retirement, between 2010 and 2025 the population ages 65 and over in Webster County are <u>projected</u> to <u>increase</u> by 23.6% compared to 51.9% for the state as a whole.³



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In 2016, Webster County's official poverty rate was 17.9% (14.8% - 21.0%), compared to 18.2% (17.9% - 18.6%) for the state as a whole.⁸

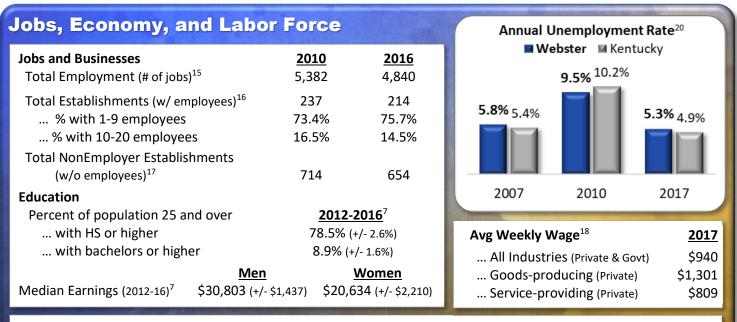
- In 2017, there were **4** child care centers in Webster County. Of these **2** were STARS certified.⁹
- Between 2012-2016, **5.8%** (+/-1.2%) of people ages 5 and over spoke a language other than English at home.⁷
- The Urban Institute estimates that **9%** people in Webster County with a credit bureau record in 2016 had student loan debt compared to 16% for the state.¹⁰

Agriculture (Data from the 201	7 Ag Census will	Average Per Farm - Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold ¹⁴	
Farms*	2007 ¹²	<u>2012</u> 13	Webster Kentucky
Total number of farms	556	500	\$204,745
Percent of land in farms	73.0%	71.7%	\$174,497
Average farm size (acres)	279	305	\$56,586 \$65,755
		<u>2012</u> ¹³	\$36,586
Income from agri-tourism and recreational services		\$12,000	2007 2012
Number of farms marketing products directly to retail outle	ts	7	Percent of Principal Operators <u>2012</u> ¹³
Average value per farm of agricultural products sold direc individuals for human consump		\$9,780	who are female10.8% under age 357.0% farming as primary occupation40.0%

In 2012, the total market value of agricultural products sold in Webster County was \$102,372,000.13

- Of the total market value of agricultural products sold, **43.3%** was the value of crops and **56.7%** was the value of livestock, poultry, and their products.¹³
- The total farm production expenses (average per farm) was **\$160,543** compared to \$62,002 for the state.¹³
- In Webster County, there were **344** hired farm labor workers on **117** farms.¹³
- 91.8% of farms were operated by a family or an individual compared to 91.0% for the state.¹³

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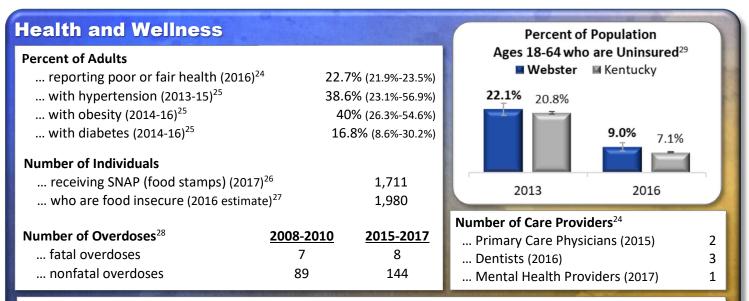
In 2017, the number of private establishments covered by unemployment insurance in Webster County was 50 for goods-producing, 164 for service-providing, and 11 for hospitality & leisure.¹⁸

- Between 2012 and 2016, of the 5,037 (+/- 280) workers ages 16 and over, 42.1% (+/- 3.5%) worked inside the county, 51.3% (+/-2.1%) worked outside the county and 6.6% (+/-2.1%) worked outside Kentucky.⁷
- Between 2012 and 2016, **3.7%** (+/-2.0%) of workers ages 16 and over who worked full-time year round were below poverty compared to 3.5% (+/- 0.1%) for the state as a whole.⁷
- 28.1% of 2016 HS graduates in the county earned an industry certificate compared to 19.2% for the state.¹⁹

Youth				Child Poverty Rate ²³		
Population by Age	2010 ¹	<u>2017</u> ²	<u>2025</u> ³	Webster Kentucky		
Under 5 years old	921	795	642	^{23.6%} 21.6% 23.7% 23.7% 23.7% 23.7%		
5-9 years old	858	847	697	19.1%		
10-14 years old	859	847	770			
15-19 years old	886	752	750			
Children by Relationshi	•					
Own Children (Biological, Adopted, Stepchild)		2,61	.5 (+/- 121)	2007 2010 2016		
Grandchild		293 (+/- 1		15.8% of students entered KY public		
Other Relative Foster/Unrelated		56	6 (+/- 41)	postsecondary institutions underprepared in one or more subjects (2015). ²¹		
		51	. (+/- 39)			

- Between 2012-2016, there were an estimated 97 (+/-43) youth ages 5-17 who had a disability.⁷
- **42.0%** of 3rd grade students in Webster County scored proficient or distinguished on math in the 2015-16 school year compared to 47.7% for the state.²²
- **872** (+/- 241) youth under age 18 lived in households that received supplemental security income (SSI), cash public assistance, or food stamps/SNAP in the past 12 months (2012-2016).⁷

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The estimated food insecurity rate for Webster County is **14.8%**, compared to 15.5% for the state.²⁷

- From 2010 to 2016, the number of grocery stores decreased by 62.5%, from 8 to 3 stores.¹⁶
- In 2013-2015, **32.9%** (26.7%-40.4%) of adults ages 20 and over reported no leisure time physical activity.²⁴
- The Urban Institute estimates that 25% of people in Webster County with a credit bureau record in 2016 had . medical debt in collections compared to 27% for the state as a whole.¹⁰
- 13.4% (5.2%-30.1%) of adults reported that there was a time in past year when they needed to see a doctor but could not because of the cost.²⁵

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Additional data are also available at:

Kentucky: By The Numbers (http://www2.ca.uky.edu/snarl/Index.htm), the FCS Building Strong Families profiles (http://hes.uky.edu/StrongFamilies), and the CEDIK county profiles (https://cedik.ca.uky.edu/CountyDataProfiles).

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