

**Clark County**

Clark County had a total population of 22,995 in 2010, making it the 30th most populous county in the state. It experienced a 2.3 percent decrease in population from 2000. With a land area of 865.4 square miles, Clark County's population density decreased from 27.2 persons per square mile in 2000 to 26.6 persons per square mile in 2010. The racial composition of the county was 71.8 percent White, 23.5 percent Black or African American, and 4.6 percent Other. Of the people living in Clark County, 4.0 percent were Hispanic or Latino, which can be of any race. The population age 18 and over accounted for 80.5 percent of the total population. There were a total of 10,385 housing units, of which 84.6 percent were occupied. The county seat of Clark County is Arkadelphia. It had a 2010 population of 10,714, which reflects a decline of -1.8 percent since 2000.

**1. Children and Youth Will Excel Academically**

	Clark County		Arkansas	
		Percent		Percent
Grade 4 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Arkadelphia		86.0		80.0
Gurdon		85.0		80.0
Grade 4 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Arkadelphia		79.0		77.0
Gurdon		90.0		77.0
Grade 8 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Arkadelphia		66.0		63.0
Gurdon		60.0		63.0
Grade 8 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Arkadelphia		78.0		76.0
Gurdon		73.0		76.0
Grade 11 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Arkadelphia		61.0		60.0
Gurdon		66.0		60.0
Graduation Rate, 2009*				
Arkadelphia		82.1		NA
Gurdon		84.7		NA
Remediation Rate, 2009		49.4		55.8

**2. People Will Have Education and Training Needed to Compete in Today's Economy**

	Clark County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population of High School Graduates and GED's, 2005-2009	4,535	34.8	660,625	35.4
Population with Associate's Degree, 2005-2009	778	6.0	104,844	5.6
Population with Bachelor's Degree, 2005-2009	1,683	12.9	235,419	12.6
Population with Graduate or Professional Degree, 2005-2009	1,056	8.1	117,979	6.3

**3. Families Will Be Stable and Nurturing**

	Clark County		Arkansas	
		Rate/1000		Rate/1000
Births to Teens, Age 11-17, 2009		9.6		13.3
Children in Single Parent Families, 2005-2009				
Children in Married Couple Families	3,127	64.4	453,987	65.6
Children in Male/Female HH, No Spouse Present Families	1,726	35.6	237,923	34.4
Total Population Living in Poverty, 2009	4,705	22.1	519,026	18.5
Children Living in Poverty, 2009	1,321	27.3	185,268	26.6
Population Age 65 and Over Below Poverty, 2005-2009	397	13.3	47,570	12.6

\* - Data only available at School District Level.

NA - Graduation rate for Arkansas is not comparable to school district rate.

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**4. People Will Be Healthy**

	Clark County		Arkansas	
Low Birth Weight Babies, 2009	Percent of all births		Percent of all births	
	6.7		8.9	
Infant Mortality Rate, 2009	Rate/1000 births		Rate/1000 births	
	6.67		8.49	
Fluoridated Water, 2008	Percent PWS		Percent PWS	
	71.1		65.3	
Overweight/Obese Adults, 2008	Percent		Percent	
	70.7		65.7	
Overweight/Obese School Age, 2009-2010 (Grades K,2,4,6,8,10)	Percent		Percent	
	43.3		38.0	
Arkansas Prevention Needs Assessment Student Survey, 2009 Any Drug - Lifetime Use (Grades 6,8,10,12 Combined)	Percent		Percent	
	23.9		30.0	
Current Cigarette Smokers, 2008	Percent		Percent	
	21.0		22.3	
Physical Activity/Inactivity	Percent		Percent	
No Exercise in Past 30 Days, 2008	33.3		29.7	
Meeting Physical Activity Recommendation, 2007	43.7		45.9	

**5. People Will Have the Economic Means to Sustain a Quality Standard of Living**

	Clark County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Median Household Income (dollars), 2009	33,857		37,888	
Monthly Housing Costs (dollars), 2005-2009				
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses With a Mortgage	885		953	
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses Without a Mortgage	296		304	
Median Gross Rent	570		600	
Home Ownership, 2005-2009				
Owner Occupied Housing Units	5,799	66.7	749,491	67.5
Renter Occupied Housing Units	2,892	33.3	360,144	32.5
Unemployment Rate, 2009		7.4		7.3

**6. Communities Will Be Safe**

	Clark County		Arkansas	
	Number		Number	
Violent Offense Convictions	20		2,866	
Offense Convictions Against Children and Impaired Adults	0		164	
Property Offense Convictions	59		7,407	
Public Offense Convictions	12		1,520	
Drug Offense Convictions	33		6,597	
Other Offense Convictions	14		705	
Total Convictions	138		19,259	

**7. People Will Be Engaged in Their Community**

	Clark County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Voter Participation, 2010		64.5		47.6
Charitable Giving - Itemized Contributions Reported (\$Millions), 2006	8.5		1,192.7	

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