

Cross County

Cross County had a total population of 17,870 in 2010, making it the 43rd most populous county in the state. It experienced an 8.5 percent decrease in population from 2000. With a land area of 615.9 square miles, Cross County's population density decreased from 31.7 persons per square mile in 2000 to 29.0 persons per square mile in 2010. The racial composition of the county was 75.5 percent White, 22.2 percent Black or African American, and 2.3 percent Other. Of the people living in Cross County, 1.5 percent were Hispanic or Latino, which can be of any race. The population age 18 and over accounted for 74.9 percent of the total population. There were a total of 7,853 housing units, of which 89.2 percent were occupied. The county seat of Cross County is Wynne. It had a 2010 population of 8,367, which reflects a decline of -2.9 percent since 2000.

1. Children and Youth Will Excel Academically

	Cross County		Arkansas	
		Percent		Percent
Grade 4 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Cross County		71.0		80.0
Wynne		81.0		80.0
Grade 4 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Cross County		63.0		77.0
Wynne		75.0		77.0
Grade 8 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Cross County		47.0		63.0
Wynne		79.0		63.0
Grade 8 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Cross County		81.0		76.0
Wynne		86.0		76.0
Grade 11 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Cross County		66.0		60.0
Wynne		56.0		60.0
Graduation Rate, 2009*				
Cross County		72.7		NA
Wynne		89.0		NA
Remediation Rate, 2009		56.5		55.8

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

	Cross County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population of High School Graduates and GED's, 2005-2009	5,016	40.8	660,625	35.4
Population with Associate's Degree, 2005-2009	608	4.9	104,844	5.6
Population with Bachelor's Degree, 2005-2009	1,258	10.2	235,419	12.6
Population with Graduate or Professional Degree, 2005-2009	386	3.1	117,979	6.3

3. Families Will Be Stable and Nurturing

	Cross County		Arkansas	
		Rate/1000		Rate/1000
Births to Teens, Age 11-17, 2009		18.1		13.3
Children in Single Parent Families, 2005-2009				
Children in Married Couple Families	3,642	74.8	453,987	65.6
Children in Male/Female HH, No Spouse Present Families	1,224	25.2	237,923	34.4
Total Population Living in Poverty, 2009	3,311	18.2	519,026	18.5
Children Living in Poverty, 2009	1,265	27.4	185,268	26.6
Population Age 65 and Over Below Poverty, 2005-2009	508	20.8	47,570	12.6

* - Data only available at School District Level.

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4. People Will Be Healthy

	Cross County		Arkansas	
		Percent of all births		Percent of all births
Low Birth Weight Babies, 2009		12.1		8.9
		Rate/1000 births		Rate/1000 births
Infant Mortality Rate, 2009		4.42		8.49
		Percent PWS		Percent PWS
Fluoridated Water, 2008		41.0		65.3
		Percent		Percent
Overweight/Obese Adults, 2008		67.4		65.7
Overweight/Obese School Age, 2009-2010 (Grades K,2,4,6,8,10)		44.1		38.0
Arkansas Prevention Needs Assessment Student Survey, 2009				
Any Drug - Lifetime Use (Grades 6,8,10,12 Combined)		30.3		30.0
Current Cigarette Smokers, 2008		30.7		22.3
Physical Activity/Inactivity				
No Exercise in Past 30 Days, 2008		44.0		29.7
Meeting Physical Activity Recommendation, 2007		34.2		45.9

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

	Cross County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Median Household Income (dollars), 2009	35,722		37,888	
Monthly Housing Costs (dollars), 2005-2009				
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses With a Mortgage	842		953	
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses Without a Mortgage	366		304	
Median Gross Rent	538		600	
Home Ownership, 2005-2009				
Owner Occupied Housing Units	5,172	72.1	749,491	67.5
Renter Occupied Housing Units	1,997	27.9	360,144	32.5
Unemployment Rate, 2009		7.8		7.3

6. Communities Will Be Safe

	Cross County		Arkansas	
	Number		Number	
Violent Offense Convictions	8		2,866	
Offense Convictions Against Children and Impaired Adults	0		164	
Property Offense Convictions	19		7,407	
Public Offense Convictions	4		1,520	
Drug Offense Convictions	32		6,597	
Other Offense Convictions	2		705	
Total Convictions	65		19,259	

7. People Will Be Engaged in Their Community

	Cross County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Voter Participation, 2010		43.9		47.6
Charitable Giving - Itemized Contributions Reported (\$Millions), 2006	5.9		1,192.7	

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