

Franklin County

Franklin County had a total population of 18,125 in 2010, making it the 40th most populous county in the state. It experienced a 2.0 percent increase in population from 2000. With a land area of 609.6 square miles, Franklin County's population density increased from 29.2 persons per square mile in 2000 to 29.7 persons per square mile in 2010. The racial composition of the county was 95.0 percent White, 0.7 percent Black or African American, and 4.3 percent Other. Of the people living in Franklin County, 2.0 percent were Hispanic or Latino, which can be of any race. The population age 18 and over accounted for 75.6 percent of the total population. There were a total of 8,021 housing units, of which 87.7 percent were occupied. The county seats of Franklin County are Charleston, with a 2010 population of 2,494 and Ozark, with a 2010 population of 3,684. Charleston experienced a population decline between 2000 and 2010 of -15.9 percent, while Ozark experienced a population growth of 4.5 percent.

1. Children and Youth Will Excel Academically

	Franklin County		Arkansas	
		Percent		Percent
Grade 4 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Charleston		100.0		80.0
County Line		91.0		80.0
Ozark		91.0		80.0
Grade 4 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Charleston		95.0		77.0
County Line		88.0		77.0
Ozark		87.0		77.0
Grade 8 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Charleston		78.0		63.0
County Line		55.0		63.0
Ozark		72.0		63.0
Grade 8 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Charleston		80.0		76.0
County Line		62.0		76.0
Ozark		83.0		76.0
Grade 11 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Charleston		76.0		60.0
County Line		73.0		60.0
Ozark		60.0		60.0
Graduation Rate, 2009*				
Charleston		94.6		NA
County Line		72.9		NA
Ozark		83.7		NA
Remediation Rate, 2009		53.5		55.8

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

	Franklin County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population of High School Graduates and GED's, 2005-2009	4,953	41.3	660,625	35.4
Population with Associate's Degree, 2005-2009	683	5.7	104,844	5.6
Population with Bachelor's Degree, 2005-2009	1,057	8.8	235,419	12.6
Population with Graduate or Professional Degree, 2005-2009	501	4.2	117,979	6.3

3. Families Will Be Stable and Nurturing

	Franklin County		Arkansas	
		Rate/1000		Rate/1000
Births to Teens, Age 11-17, 2009		8.1		13.3
Children in Single Parent Families, 2005-2009				
Children in Married Couple Families	3,295	75.3	453,987	65.6
Children in Male/Female HH, No Spouse Present Families	1,083	24.7	237,923	34.4
Total Population Living in Poverty, 2009	3,328	18.8	519,026	18.5
Children Living in Poverty, 2009	1,220	28.4	185,268	26.6
Population Age 65 and Over Below Poverty, 2005-2009	402	13.1	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

	Franklin County		Arkansas	
Low Birth Weight Babies, 2009	Percent of all births		Percent of all births	
	9.3		8.9	
Infant Mortality Rate, 2009	Rate/1000 births		Rate/1000 births	
	4.35		8.49	
Fluoridated Water, 2008	Percent PWS		Percent PWS	
	0.0		65.3	
Overweight/Obese Adults, 2008	Percent		Percent	
	67.4		65.7	
Overweight/Obese School Age, 2009-2010 (Grades K,2,4,6,8,10)	Percent		Percent	
	37.1		38.0	
Arkansas Prevention Needs Assessment Student Survey, 2009	Percent		Percent	
Any Drug - Lifetime Use (Grades 6,8,10,12 Combined)	25.9		30.0	
Current Cigarette Smokers, 2008	Percent		Percent	
	19.6		22.3	
Physical Activity/Inactivity	Percent		Percent	
No Exercise in Past 30 Days, 2008	31.1		29.7	
Meeting Physical Activity Recommendation, 2007	42.0		45.9	

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

	Franklin County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Median Household Income (dollars), 2009	31,666		37,888	
Monthly Housing Costs (dollars), 2005-2009				
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses With a Mortgage	827		953	
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses Without a Mortgage	258		304	
Median Gross Rent	532		600	
Home Ownership, 2005-2009				
Owner Occupied Housing Units	5,227	76.9	749,491	67.5
Renter Occupied Housing Units	1,573	23.1	360,144	32.5
Unemployment Rate, 2009		6.6		7.3

6. Communities Will Be Safe

	Franklin County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Violent Offense Convictions	15		2,866	
Offense Convictions Against Children and Impaired Adults	1		164	
Property Offense Convictions	36		7,407	
Public Offense Convictions	19		1,520	
Drug Offense Convictions	48		6,597	
Other Offense Convictions	2		705	
Total Convictions	121		19,259	

7. People Will Be Engaged in Their Community

	Franklin County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Voter Participation, 2010		51.2		47.6
Charitable Giving - Itemized Contributions Reported (\$Millions), 2006	3.9		1,192.7	

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