

**Grant County**

Grant County had a total population of 17,853 in 2010, making it the 44th most populous county in the state. It experienced an 8.4 percent increase in population from 2000. With a land area of 631.8 square miles, Grant County's population density increased from 26.1 persons per square mile in 2000 to 28.3 persons per square mile in 2010. The racial composition of the county was 94.9 percent White, 2.2 percent Black or African American, and 2.9 percent Other. Of the people living in Grant County, 2.2 percent were Hispanic or Latino, which can be of any race. The population age 18 and over accounted for 75.8 percent of the total population. There were a total of 7,758 housing units, of which 89.4 percent were occupied. The county seat of Grant County is Sheridan. It had a 2010 population of 4,603, which reflects a growth of 18.9 percent since 2000.

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

	Grant County		Arkansas	
		Percent		Percent
Grade 4 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Poyen		74.0		80.0
Sheridan		87.0		80.0
Grade 4 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Poyen		74.0		77.0
Sheridan		82.0		77.0
Grade 8 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Poyen		66.0		63.0
Sheridan		82.0		63.0
Grade 8 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Poyen		64.0		76.0
Sheridan		82.0		76.0
Grade 11 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Poyen		38.0		60.0
Sheridan		63.0		60.0
Graduation Rate, 2009*				
Poyen		74.4		NA
Sheridan		81.9		NA
Remediation Rate, 2009		42.6		55.8

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

	Grant County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population of High School Graduates and GED's, 2005-2009	5,269	44.6	660,625	35.4
Population with Associate's Degree, 2005-2009	628	5.3	104,844	5.6
Population with Bachelor's Degree, 2005-2009	1,248	10.6	235,419	12.6
Population with Graduate or Professional Degree, 2005-2009	709	6.0	117,979	6.3

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

	Grant 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	3,001	71.1	453,987	65.6
Children in Male/Female HH, No Spouse Present Families	1,219	28.9	237,923	34.4
Total Population Living in Poverty, 2009	2,116	12.1	519,026	18.5
Children Living in Poverty, 2009	752	18.3	185,268	26.6
Population Age 65 and Over Below Poverty, 2005-2009	200	9.2	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**

	Grant County		Arkansas	
	Percent of all births		Percent of all births	
Low Birth Weight Babies, 2009	8.1		8.9	
	Rate/1000 births		Rate/1000 births	
Infant Mortality Rate, 2009	12.93		8.49	
	Percent PWS		Percent PWS	
Fluoridated Water, 2008	63.0		65.3	
	Percent		Percent	
Overweight/Obese Adults, 2008	64.3		65.7	
Overweight/Obese School Age, 2009-2010 (Grades K,2,4,6,8,10)	38.3		38.0	
Arkansas Prevention Needs Assessment Student Survey, 2009				
Any Drug - Lifetime Use (Grades 6,8,10,12 Combined)	29.6		30.0	
Current Cigarette Smokers, 2008	21.1		22.3	
Physical Activity/Inactivity				
No Exercise in Past 30 Days, 2008	28.3		29.7	
Meeting Physical Activity Recommendation, 2007	45.8		45.9	

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

	Grant County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Median Household Income (dollars), 2009	48,610		37,888	
Monthly Housing Costs (dollars), 2005-2009				
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses With a Mortgage	948		953	
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses Without a Mortgage	275		304	
Median Gross Rent	649		600	
Home Ownership, 2005-2009				
Owner Occupied Housing Units	5,314	81.0	749,491	67.5
Renter Occupied Housing Units	1,244	19.0	360,144	32.5
Unemployment Rate, 2009	6.6		7.3	

**6. Communities Will Be Safe**

	Grant County		Arkansas	
	Number		Number	
Violent Offense Convictions	11		2,866	
Offense Convictions Against Children and Impaired Adults	4		164	
Property Offense Convictions	37		7,407	
Public Offense Convictions	10		1,520	
Drug Offense Convictions	38		6,597	
Other Offense Convictions	2		705	
Total Convictions	102		19,259	

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

	Grant County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Voter Participation, 2010	51.0		47.6	
Charitable Giving - Itemized Contributions Reported (\$Millions), 2006	5.9		1,192.7	

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