

Izard County

Izard County had a total population of 13,696 in 2010, making it the 54th most populous county in the state. It experienced a 3.4 percent increase in population from 2000. With a land area of 580.7 square miles, Izard County's population density increased from 22.8 persons per square mile in 2000 to 23.6 persons per square mile in 2010. The racial composition of the county was 95.8 percent White, 1.3 percent Black or African American, and 2.9 percent Other. Of the people living in Izard County, 1.5 percent were Hispanic or Latino, which can be of any race. The population age 18 and over accounted for 80.8 percent of the total population. There were a total of 7,232 housing units, of which 79.2 percent were occupied. The county seat of Izard County is Melbourne. It had a 2010 population of 1,848, which reflects a growth of 10.5 percent since 2000.

1. Children and Youth Will Excel Academically

	Izard County		Arkansas	
		Percent		Percent
Grade 4 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Calico Rock		94.0		80.0
Melbourne		83.0		80.0
Izard County Consolidated		69.0		80.0
Grade 4 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Calico Rock		93.0		77.0
Melbourne		84.0		77.0
Izard County Consolidated		63.0		77.0
Grade 8 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Calico Rock		82.0		63.0
Melbourne		63.0		63.0
Izard County Consolidated		68.0		63.0
Grade 8 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Calico Rock		90.0		76.0
Melbourne		90.0		76.0
Izard County Consolidated		73.0		76.0
Grade 11 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Calico Rock		59.0		60.0
Melbourne		80.0		60.0
Izard County Consolidated		52.0		60.0
Graduation Rate, 2009*				
Calico Rock		87.7		NA
Melbourne		95.4		NA
Izard County Consolidated		100.0		NA
Remediation Rate, 2009		46.9		55.8

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

	Izard County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population of High School Graduates and GED's, 2005-2009	3,885	40.3	660,625	35.4
Population with Associate's Degree, 2005-2009	550	5.7	104,844	5.6
Population with Bachelor's Degree, 2005-2009	734	7.6	235,419	12.6
Population with Graduate or Professional Degree, 2005-2009	449	4.7	117,979	6.3

3. Families Will Be Stable and Nurturing

	Izard County		Arkansas	
		Rate/1000		Rate/1000
Births to Teens, Age 11-17, 2009		6.1		13.3
Children in Single Parent Families, 2005-2009				
Children in Married Couple Families	1,693	66.6	453,987	65.6
Children in Male/Female HH, No Spouse Present Families	850	33.4	237,923	34.4
Total Population Living in Poverty, 2009	2,963	24.2	519,026	18.5
Children Living in Poverty, 2009	868	33.9	185,268	26.6
Population Age 65 and Over Below Poverty, 2005-2009	280	10.1	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

	Izard County		Arkansas	
	Percent of all births		Percent of all births	
Low Birth Weight Babies, 2009	10.8		8.9	
	Rate/1000 births		Rate/1000 births	
	0.00		8.49	
	Percent PWS		Percent PWS	
	0.0		65.3	
	Percent		Percent	
	72.5		65.7	
Overweight/Obese School Age, 2009-2010 (Grades K,2,4,6,8,10)	38.0		38.0	
Arkansas Prevention Needs Assessment Student Survey, 2009				
Any Drug - Lifetime Use (Grades 6,8,10,12 Combined)	29.1		30.0	
Current Cigarette Smokers, 2008	29.9		22.3	
Physical Activity/Inactivity				
No Exercise in Past 30 Days, 2008	28.9		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

	Izard County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Median Household Income (dollars), 2009	30,143		37,888	
Monthly Housing Costs (dollars), 2005-2009				
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses With a Mortgage	715		953	
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses Without a Mortgage	280		304	
Median Gross Rent	460		600	
Home Ownership, 2005-2009				
Owner Occupied Housing Units	4,436	77.6	749,491	67.5
Renter Occupied Housing Units	1,279	22.4	360,144	32.5
Unemployment Rate, 2009	8.6		7.3	

6. Communities Will Be Safe

	Izard County		Arkansas	
	Number		Number	
Violent Offense Convictions	4		2,866	
Offense Convictions Against Children and Impaired Adults	0		164	
Property Offense Convictions	13		7,407	
Public Offense Convictions	2		1,520	
Drug Offense Convictions	10		6,597	
Other Offense Convictions	0		705	
Total Convictions	29		19,259	

7. People Will Be Engaged in Their Community

	Izard County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Voter Participation, 2010	57.4		47.6	
Charitable Giving - Itemized Contributions Reported (\$Millions), 2006	2.9		1,192.7	

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