

Pike County

Pike County had a total population of 11,291 in 2010, making it the 61st most populous county in the state. It experienced a 0.1 percent decrease in population from 2000. With a land area of 603.0 square miles, Pike County's population density remained constant at 18.7 persons per square mile in 2000 and 2010. The racial composition of the county was 90.0 percent White, 2.9 percent Black or African American, and 7.1 percent Other. Of the people living in Pike County, 6.4 percent were Hispanic or Latino, which can be of any race. The population age 18 and over accounted for 75.3 percent of the total population. There were a total of 5,580 housing units, of which 79.9 percent were occupied. The county seat of Pike County is Murfreesboro. It had a 2010 population of 1,641, which reflects a decline of -7.0 percent since 2000.

1. Children and Youth Will Excel Academically

	Pike County		Arkansas	
		Percent		Percent
Grade 4 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Delight		71.0		80.0
Centerpoint		90.0		80.0
Kirby		82.0		80.0
Murfreesboro		58.0		80.0
Grade 4 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Delight		92.0		77.0
Centerpoint		87.0		77.0
Kirby		91.0		77.0
Murfreesboro		68.0		77.0
Grade 8 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Delight		32.0		63.0
Centerpoint		62.0		63.0
Kirby		25.0		63.0
Murfreesboro		47.0		63.0
Grade 8 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Delight		76.0		76.0
Centerpoint		80.0		76.0
Kirby		51.0		76.0
Murfreesboro		67.0		76.0
Grade 11 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Delight		50.0		60.0
Centerpoint		70.0		60.0
Kirby		62.0		60.0
Murfreesboro		57.0		60.0
Graduation Rate, 2009*				
Delight		76.4		NA
Centerpoint		89.1		NA
Kirby		76.5		NA
Murfreesboro		74.7		NA
Remediation Rate, 2009				
		58.9		55.8

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

	Pike County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population of High School Graduates and GED's, 2005-2009	2,779	37.7	660,625	35.4
Population with Associate's Degree, 2005-2009	373	5.1	104,844	5.6
Population with Bachelor's Degree, 2005-2009	458	6.2	235,419	12.6
Population with Graduate or Professional Degree, 2005-2009	356	4.8	117,979	6.3

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3. Families Will Be Stable and Nurturing

	Pike County		Arkansas	
		Rate/1000		Rate/1000
Births to Teens, Age 11-17, 2009		10.3		13.3
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Children in Single Parent Families, 2005-2009				
Children in Married Couple Families	1,838	73.1	453,987	65.6
Children in Male/Female HH, No Spouse Present Families	677	26.9	237,923	34.4
Total Population Living in Poverty, 2009	1,960	18.8	519,026	18.5
Children Living in Poverty, 2009	667	28.3	185,268	26.6
Population Age 65 and Over Below Poverty, 2005-2009	238	12.5	47,570	12.6

4. People Will Be Healthy

	Pike County		Arkansas	
		Percent of all births		Percent of all births
Low Birth Weight Babies, 2009		7.0		8.9
		Rate/1000 births		Rate/1000 births
Infant Mortality Rate, 2009		0.00		8.49
		Percent PWS		Percent PWS
Fluoridated Water, 2008		0.0		65.3
		Percent		Percent
Overweight/Obese Adults, 2008		67.5		65.7
Overweight/Obese School Age, 2009-2010 (Grades K,2,4,6,8,10)		35.9		38.0
Arkansas Prevention Needs Assessment Student Survey, 2009				
Any Drug - Lifetime Use (Grades 6,8,10,12 Combined)		30.6		30.0
Current Cigarette Smokers, 2008		22.1		22.3
Physical Activity/Inactivity				
No Exercise in Past 30 Days, 2008		34.2		29.7
Meeting Physical Activity Recommendation, 2007		44.6		45.9

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

	Pike County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Median Household Income (dollars), 2009	33,328		37,888	
Monthly Housing Costs (dollars), 2005-2009				
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses With a Mortgage	778		953	
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses Without a Mortgage	265		304	
Median Gross Rent	508		600	
Home Ownership, 2005-2009				
Owner Occupied Housing Units	3,334	76.7	749,491	67.5
Renter Occupied Housing Units	1,011	23.3	360,144	32.5
Unemployment Rate, 2009		7.1		7.3

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6. Communities Will Be Safe

	Pike County		Arkansas	
	Number		Number	
Violent Offense Convictions	6		2,866	
Offense Convictions Against Children and Impaired Adults	0		164	
Property Offense Convictions	17		7,407	
Public Offense Convictions	4		1,520	
Drug Offense Convictions	20		6,597	
Other Offense Convictions	3		705	
Total Convictions	50		19,259	

7. People Will Be Engaged in Their Community

	Pike County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Voter Participation, 2010		55.5		47.6
Charitable Giving - Itemized Contributions Reported (\$Millions), 2006	2.5		1,192.7	

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