

**Pulaski County**

Pulaski County had a total population of 382,748 in 2010, making it the most populous county in the state. It experienced a 5.9 percent increase in population from 2000. With a land area of 770.8 square miles, Pulaski County's population density increased from 468.9 persons per square mile in 2000 to 496.5 persons per square mile in 2010. The racial composition of the county was 57.5 percent White, 35.0 percent Black or African American, and 7.5 percent Other. Of the people living in Pulaski County, 5.8 percent were Hispanic or Latino, which can be of any race. The population age 18 and over accounted for 75.9 percent of the total population. There were a total of 175,555 housing units, of which 90.4 percent were occupied. The county seat of Pulaski County is Little Rock. It had a 2010 population of 193,524, which reflects a growth of 5.7 percent since 2000.

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

	Pulaski County		Arkansas	
		Percent		Percent
Grade 4 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Little Rock		68.0		80.0
North Little Rock		64.0		80.0
Pulaski County Special		77.0		80.0
Grade 4 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Little Rock		67.0		77.0
North Little Rock		65.0		77.0
Pulaski County Special		76.0		77.0
Grade 8 Math, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Little Rock		43.0		63.0
North Little Rock		55.0		63.0
Pulaski County Special		49.0		63.0
Grade 8 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Little Rock		63.0		76.0
North Little Rock		71.0		76.0
Pulaski County Special		67.0		76.0
Grade 11 Literacy, Proficient or Advanced, 2010*				
Little Rock		53.0		60.0
North Little Rock		58.0		60.0
Pulaski County Special		50.0		60.0
Graduation Rate, 2009*				
Little Rock		78.9		NA
North Little Rock		76.4		NA
Pulaski County Special		71.7		NA
Remediation Rate, 2009		62.1		55.8

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

	Pulaski County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population of High School Graduates and GED's, 2005-2009	69,475	28.1	660,625	35.4
Population with Associate's Degree, 2005-2009	14,602	5.9	104,844	5.6
Population with Bachelor's Degree, 2005-2009	47,648	19.2	235,419	12.6
Population with Graduate or Professional Degree, 2005-2009	28,984	11.7	117,979	6.3

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

	Pulaski County		Arkansas	
		Rate/1000		Rate/1000
Births to Teens, Age 11-17, 2009		13.9		13.3
Children in Single Parent Families, 2005-2009				
Children in Married Couple Families	54,301	59.0	453,987	65.6
Children in Male/Female HH, No Spouse Present Families	37,766	41.0	237,923	34.4
Total Population Living in Poverty, 2009	62,547	16.7	519,026	18.5
Children Living in Poverty, 2009	23,681	25.4	185,268	26.6
Population Age 65 and Over Below Poverty, 2005-2009	4,262	9.7	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**

	Pulaski County		Arkansas	
	Percent of all births		Percent of all births	
Low Birth Weight Babies, 2009	10.6		8.9	
	Rate/1000 births		Rate/1000 births	
Infant Mortality Rate, 2009	8.66		8.49	
	Percent PWS		Percent PWS	
Fluoridated Water, 2008	98.7		65.3	
	Percent		Percent	
Overweight/Obese Adults, 2008	64.9		65.7	
Overweight/Obese School Age, 2009-2010 (Grades K,2,4,6,8,10)	37.0		38.0	
Arkansas Prevention Needs Assessment Student Survey, 2009				
Any Drug - Lifetime Use (Grades 6,8,10,12 Combined)	32.8		30.0	
Current Cigarette Smokers, 2008	21.3		22.3	
Physical Activity/Inactivity				
No Exercise in Past 30 Days, 2008	28.0		29.7	
Meeting Physical Activity Recommendation, 2007	44.7		45.9	

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

	Pulaski County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Median Household Income (dollars), 2009	42,107		37,888	
Monthly Housing Costs (dollars), 2005-2009				
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses With a Mortgage	1155		953	
Median Selected Monthly Owner Costs - Houses Without a Mortgage	372		304	
Median Gross Rent	710		600	
Home Ownership, 2005-2009				
Owner Occupied Housing Units	95,178	61.2	749,491	67.5
Renter Occupied Housing Units	60,453	38.8	360,144	32.5
Unemployment Rate, 2009	6.2		7.3	

**6. Communities Will Be Safe**

	Pulaski County		Arkansas	
	Number		Number	
Violent Offense Convictions	640		2,866	
Offense Convictions Against Children and Impaired Adults	22		164	
Property Offense Convictions	1,491		7,407	
Public Offense Convictions	258		1,520	
Drug Offense Convictions	1,101		6,597	
Other Offense Convictions	127		705	
Total Convictions	3,639		19,259	

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

	Pulaski County		Arkansas	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Voter Participation, 2010	48.8		47.6	
Charitable Giving - Itemized Contributions Reported (\$Millions), 2006	271.9		1,192.7	

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