



OLDHAM COUNTY

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BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES FOR KENTUCKY

OUR FOCUS

► Family and Consumer Sciences Extension is committed to improving the quality of life for individuals and families in Oldham County resulting in strong families for Kentucky. Educational programs focus on:

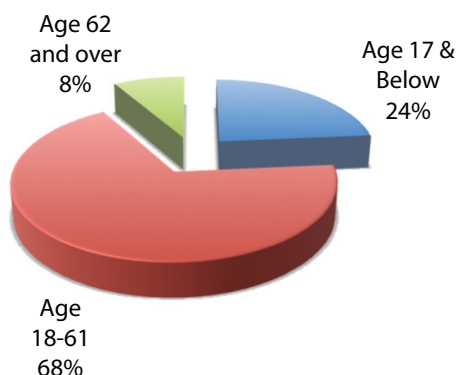
Making Beneficial Lifestyle Choices
Nurturing Families
Embracing Life as You Age
Securing Financial Stability
Promoting Healthy Homes and Communities
Accessing Nutritious Food
Empowering Community Leaders

Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made **13,988** contacts with Oldham County families during 2008-2009.¹

OUR PEOPLE

Figure 1. Population by Age Group² (n=46,178)

► 2008 estimates from the 2000 U.S. Census reported total population as **46,178**.² The graph on the right indicates the percentage by age group.



SPOTLIGHT ON...

ACCESSING NUTRITIOUS FOOD

High unemployment and rising costs have forced families in Oldham County to seek ways to reduce the cost of feeding their families. The Share and Sample Homemaker Club, along with the Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) agent, collaborated with a local church to provide the Angel Food Ministry to residents in Oldham County. One unit of Angel Food groceries can feed a family of four for about a week or a senior citizen for almost a month. The food is fresh, canned and frozen. During the scheduled monthly pickup time, our FCS agent prepares samples of nutritious recipes and shares money-saving ideas. More than 2,400 families participated this past year, 65 percent of whom say they are using our recipes and 95 percent of whom report saving money on groceries.¹



OUR COMMUNITY

► Unemployment rates are a key economic indicator. In August 2009, the rate of unemployment in Oldham County was **8.9%**.³

Mortgage and bank card delinquency rates and foreclosure filings are important financial indicators of community well-being. In Oldham County, **1.71%** of mortgages are 90-days delinquent and 60-day bank card delinquency rates have increased by **1.27%**.⁴ In a one-year period (October 2008 through October 2009), **166** foreclosures were filed.⁵

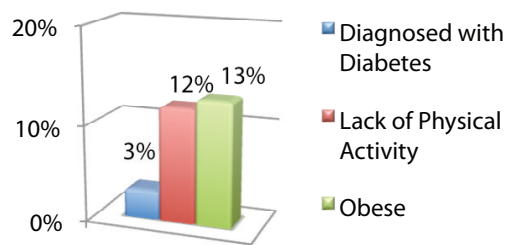
Access to health insurance is another important factor contributing to family well-being. In Oldham County, **8%** of the people under age 65 are uninsured.⁶

As a result of participation in Oldham County Extension programs:¹

- **163** people were involved in addressing issues of their community.
- **50** people were prepared to enter the work force.
- **137** people expanded their knowledge of economic development.

OUR HEALTH

► The health of our people contributes to quality of life. The chart below illustrates health risks of adults in Oldham County. **Figure 2. Health Risks.**⁶



As a result of participation in Oldham County Extension programs:¹

- **227** people increased knowledge of practices to maintain health and well-being.
- **193** people increase knowledge of safe practices to store, handle, and prepare food.
- **2,000** people developed skills to access affordable food.

OUR FAMILIES

► Using data from the 2000 U.S. Census, Oldham County families can be described as follows:²

- **12,199** families reside in the county.
- **358** families (**2.9%**) live below poverty level.
- Median family income is **\$70,495**.
- **234** grandparents are responsible for the care of their grandchildren.



According to the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, **777** people in Oldham County receive food stamps. The average family food stamp benefit is **\$233.42** per month.⁷

In the county, **63** children live in out-of-home care.⁸

In 2005, there were **74** incidents of adult abuse and **69** incidents of child abuse.⁹

As a result of participation in Oldham County Extension programs:¹

- **280** adults and youth improved their ability to make informed and effective decisions.
- **325** people adopted money management practices to reduce debt and/or increase savings.
- **600** people increased their knowledge and skills related to parenting and personal relationships.

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