

MORGAN COUNTY

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BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES FOR KENTUCKY 2011



OUR FOCUS

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

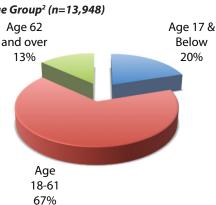
Making Beneficial Lifestyle Choices Nurturing Families Embracing Life as You Age Securing Financial Stability Promoting Healthy Homes and Communities Accessing Nutritious Food Empowering Community Leaders

Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made **15,787** contacts with Morgan County families during 2009-2010.¹

OUR PEOPLE

Figure 1. Population by Age Group² (n=13,948)

2008 estimates from the 2000 U.S. Census reported total population as 13,948.² The graph on the right indicates the percentage by age group.

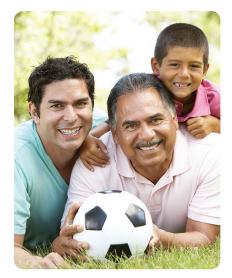


SPOTLIGHT ON...

EMPOWERING COMMUNITY LEADERS

organ County Extension continues to address the need to increase involvement in leadership opportunities. In cooperation with councils and boards, training sessions were conducted to further successful leadership development. As a result, 16 people accepted new leadership roles in Extension programming. The District Board planning committee continues to search for property for a new facility. Monies were raised to fund a \$500 scholarship for a Morgan County graduate to continue higher education. In excess of \$150 was donated

for a 4-H camp scholarship. More than 5634 community service hours were logged, at a value of \$105,750 (with each hour valued at \$18.77). Additionally, 2968 hours were logged in Extension volunteer service for a value of \$55,709.1





OUR COMMUNITY

Unemployment rates are a key economic indicator. In July 2010, the rate of unemployment in Morgan County was 13.4%.⁶

Mortgage and bank card delinquency rates and foreclosure filings are important financial indicators of community well-being. In Morgan County, **2.0%** of mortgages are 90-days delinquent and **2.7%** of bank cards

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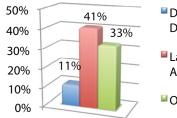
- **330** people were involved in addressing issues of their community.
- **905** people increased their knowledge of governmental process.
- **30** people were prepared to enter the work force.
- Morgan County Extension is involved in 25 community coalitions.

are 60-days delinquent.⁷ In a one-year period (August 2009 through August 2010), **10** foreclosures were filed.⁵

Access to health insurance is another important factor contributing to family well-being. In Morgan County, **18%** of the people under age 65 are uninsured.⁸

OUR HEALTH

The health of our people contributes to quality of life. The chart below illustrates health risks of adults in Morgan County. *Figure 2. Health Risks.*⁸



- Diagnosed with Diabetes
- Lack of Physical Activity

Obese

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

- **948** people increased knowledge of practices to maintain health and well-being.
- **441** people increased knowledge of safe practices to store, handle, and prepare food.
- 621 people made lifestyle changes to improve health.

OUR FAMILIES

- ► Using data from the 2000 U.S. Census, Morgan County families can be described as follows:²
- 3,570 families reside in the county.
- 844 families (23.5%) live below poverty level.
- Median family income is **\$26,135**.
- **132** grandparents are responsible for the care of their grandchildren.



According to the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, **1,507** people in Morgan County receive supplemental nutrition assistance. The average family benefit is **\$228.27** per month.³

In the county, **22** children live in out-of-home care. There were **85**

child victims of substantiated abuse.⁴ There were **33** incidents of adult abuse.⁵

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

- **1,141** adults and youth improved their ability to make informed and effective decisions.
- **128** people increased their knowledge and skills related to parenting and personal relationships.
- **1,652** adults and youth improved practical living skills.

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