## **ADAIR COUNTY**

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# BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES FOR KENTUCKY 2012



## **OUR FOCUS**

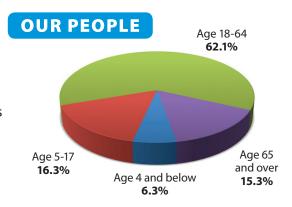
Family and Consumer Sciences
Extension is committed to improving
the quality of life for individuals and
families in Adair County. As the current
economic situation continues to create
challenges, educational programs
focus on:

- Making Healthy Lifestyle Choices that influence health and well-being
- **Nurturing Families** as they cope with fewer resources and more demands
- Embracing Life as We Age to strive for independence longer
- Securing Financial Stability in a turbulent economic period
- Promoting Healthy Homes and Communities to recycle, reduce waste, and protect our environment
- Accessing Nutritious Food that is affordable, available and safe
- Empowering Community Leaders as we all work to sustain and improve our communities.

In 2010-2011, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made **9,595** contacts with Adair County individuals and families.<sup>2</sup>

## Population by Age Group<sup>1</sup>

The 2010 U.S. Census reported total population in Adair County as **18,656**.<sup>1</sup>



## **SPOTLIGHT ON ...**

## MAKING HEALTHY LIFESTYLE CHOICES

he Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ranks Kentucky near the bottom nationally for number of people who are physically active. Direct and indirect costs due to high rates of obesity cost the Commonwealth an estimated \$1 billion. To promote the importance of an active lifestyle, UK Family and Consumer Sciences Extension implemented 2nd Sunday. Over 135 friends, neighbors, and church groups walked, biked, rode scooters, and pushed strollers on Indian Drive and Athletic Drive at Adair County Elementary School, with 100% finishing. Participants were also taught bicycle safety and the importance of wearing helmets. As a result, a local church formed a walking group of 30 that has logged 6,332 miles collectively within the last year.



#### **OUR FAMILIES**

According to the 2010 Census,<sup>1</sup> of families in Adair County with their own children...

- 70.4% are husband-wife families
- 29.6% are single parent families

#### In addition, there are:

- **7,285** households
- 2,287 households with 1 or more persons under the age of 18
- 313 grandchildren under 18 years old who live with a grandparent householder
- **2,085** households with at least one person age 65 and over



## As a result of participation in Adair County Extension programs:<sup>2</sup>

- **330** people increased knowledge of lifestyle changes to improve personal health.
- 115 people increased knowledge of parenting and personal relationships.
- **300** people increased knowledge of safe storage, handling and food preparation.

## **OUR COMMUNITY**

In 2009, the most recent data available, the median household income in Adair County was \$29,200.3

The number of children in poverty in Adair County was **1,325** compared to **1,313** in 2006.<sup>3</sup>

The total number of people receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits in Adair County is **3,715** in 2011.<sup>4</sup>

## As a result of participation in Adair County Extension programs:<sup>2</sup>

- **555** people increased leadership knowledge and skills.
- **430** people improved communication skills to address community issues.
- 217 people were involved in addressing issues of their community.

## **OUR ECONOMY**

According to the 2010 American Community Survey 5-year estimates,<sup>6</sup> between 2005 and 2009 in Adair County it is estimated that...

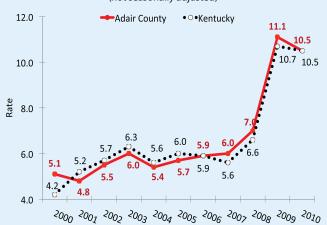
- **45.2%** (+/- **5.1**) are married-couple families with both husband and wife in the labor force
- **74.7%** (+/- **9.8**) are children under 6 years old with all parents in the labor force
- **29.4%** (+/- **7**) are people 65 years and over below poverty level during the past 12 months

## As a result of participation in Adair County Extension programs:<sup>2</sup>

- **1,050** people increased knowledge of economic and enterprise development.
- 320 people adopted money management practices to reduce debt and increase savings.
- 1,150 people demonstrated increased practical living skills.

## Average Annual Unemployment Rate<sup>5</sup>

(not seasonally adjusted)



#### **SOURCES**

- <sup>1</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Decennial Census.
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- <sup>4</sup> Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Databook, June 2011.
- <sup>5</sup> Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.
- <sup>6</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates.