

Age 18-64

#### HANCOCK COUNTY Family & Consumer Sciences

# BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES FOR KENTUCKY 2012



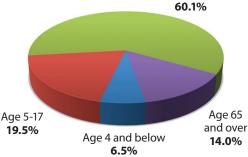
# **OUR FOCUS**

Family and Consumer Sciences Extension is committed to improving the quality of life for individuals and families in Hancock 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.

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

The 2010 U.S. Census reported total population in Hancock County as **8,565**.<sup>1</sup>



# SPOTLIGHT ON ...

**OUR PEOPLE** 

# MAKING HEALTHY LIFESTYLE CHOICES

ccording to Trust for America's Health and Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Kentucky has the seventh-highest obesity rate in the nation and the fourth-highest percentage of overweight youth. Hancock County's 2nd Sunday event raised awareness of the need for local infrastructure that promotes a healthy lifestyle. Incorporating Breast Cancer Awareness, the event urged participants to walk/run a 5k, with rewards for each lap completed. 155 people logged 489.5 miles. Eight participants were ages 65 and older, 87 adults ages 18-64, and 50 children. The event was led by Hancock County Cooperative Extension Service, in collaboration with Hancock County Community Education, Hancock County Partners Coalition, HC2, Family and Consumer Sciences Council, and Fiscal Court.



### **OUR FAMILIES**

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

- 72.6% are husband-wife families
- 27.4% are single parent families

#### In addition, there are:

- 3,285 households
- **1,180** households with 1 or more persons under the age of 18
- **140** grandchildren under 18 years old who live with a grandparent householder
- 831 households with at least one person age 65 and over



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

- 230 people increased knowledge of lifestyle changes to improve personal health.
- **150** people increased knowledge of safe storage, handling and food preparation.

## **OUR COMMUNITY**

In 2009, the most recent data available, the median household income in Hancock County was **\$48,464**.<sup>3</sup>

The number of children in poverty in Hancock County was **418** compared to **356** in 2006.<sup>3</sup>

The total number of people receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits in Hancock County is **1,274** in 2011.<sup>4</sup>

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

- **51** people increased leadership knowledge and skills.
- **87** 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 Hancock County it is estimated that...

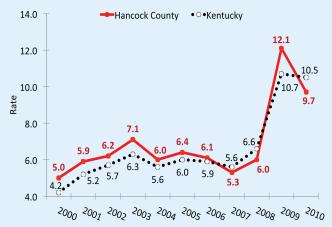
- **53.9%** (+/- **4.5**) are married-couple families with both husband and wife in the labor force
- **65.9%** (+/- **14.9**) are children under 6 years old with all parents in the labor force
- 20.3% (+/- 6.8) are people 65 years and over below poverty level during the past 12 months

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

- **225** adults and youth improved their ability to make informed and effective decisions.
- **120** 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.

<sup>2</sup> Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service, Impact Reporting, FY2011.

- <sup>3</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates.
  <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.