

## JESSAMINE COUNTY

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# BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES FOR KENTUCKY



### OUR FOCUS

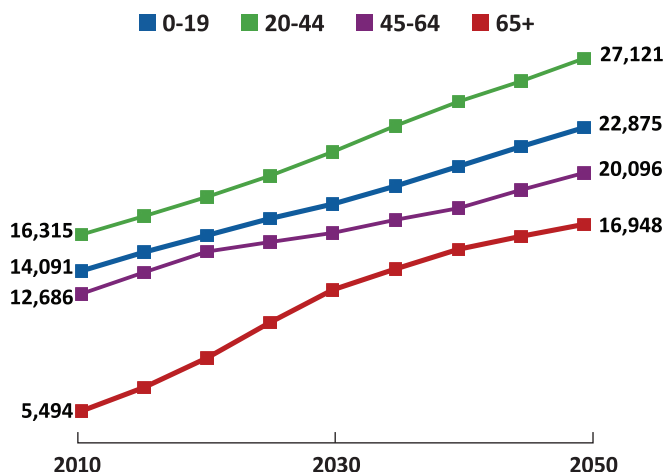
Family and Consumer Sciences Extension is committed to improving the health and well-being of individuals and families in Jessamine County. To help families make wise decisions our educational programs focus on:

- **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 2011-2012, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made **1,021** contacts with Jessamine County individuals and families.<sup>2</sup>

### OUR PEOPLE

Population projections by age group for Jessamine County<sup>1</sup>



### SPOTLIGHT ON ...

## DECREASING FALLS IN THE COMMUNITY

As people age, many experience a fear of falling that can hinder the quality of life, and result in costly healthcare costs. Because of the need for education about falls, the Jessamine County Family and Consumer Sciences agent presented a program created by Boston University called A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls. This program included eight two-hour sessions led by a trained facilitator. During the eight weeks, participants set goals for increasing their activity levels, learned exercises to increase strength and balance, and made changes in their lifestyles and environment that help reduce the risk of falls. More than 40 members of the Wesley Village community signed up for the first program and 32 graduated, having participated in at least six of the eight sessions.

## OUR FAMILIES

According to the 2010 American Community Survey,<sup>3</sup> between 2006 and 2010 it is estimated that in Jessamine County:



- **16.9% (+/- 3.0)** families with related children were below poverty
- **5.9% (+/- 2.1)** of those over the age of 65 were below poverty

### In addition:

- **21.2% (+/- 2.0)** of those ages 18-64 did not have health insurance in 2010<sup>4</sup>
- **715** children on average received Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP) benefits in 2010<sup>5</sup>
- **8,010** people received Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits in 2012<sup>6</sup>

### As a result of participating in Jessamine County Extension programs:<sup>2</sup>

- **20** people in Managing in Tough Times implemented a plan to decrease expenses or manage wealth.
- **250** people increased their knowledge about healthy foods.
- **200** people reported eating more healthy foods.

## OUR COMMUNITY

In Jessamine County:

- **66.0%** of births were to mothers who received early and regular prenatal care in 2009<sup>7</sup>
- **54.0%** of ordered child support was collected in 2011<sup>8</sup>

Of the **24** primary care physicians in Jessamine County:<sup>9</sup>

- **58.3%** are family practice
- **8.3%** are pediatricians
- **0.0%** are OB/GYN

### As a result of participating in Jessamine County Extension programs:<sup>2</sup>

- **130** people are involved in addressing community issues.
- **500** people demonstrated informed and effective decision making.
- **1,200** people were able to utilize new decision-making skills for health.

## OUR HEALTH

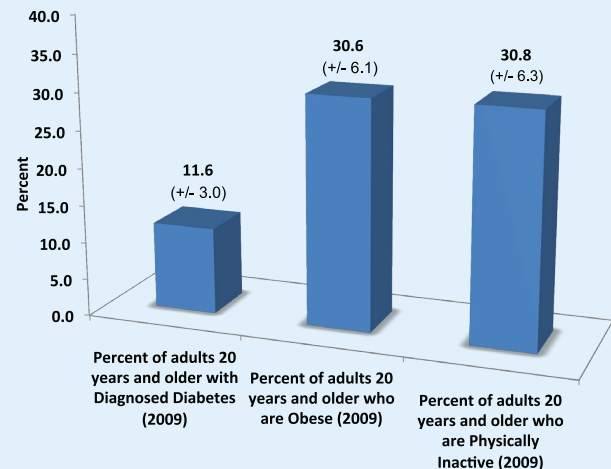
According to Kentucky Health Facts,<sup>10</sup> between 2008 and 2010 in Jessamine County:

- **27.4% (15.8 - 43.2)** did not pursue health care due to cost, compared to **18% (17.0 - 18.6)** in the state
- **15.5% (8.3 - 27.1)** of adults reported their health status as less than good, compared to **23% (22.0 - 23.6)** in the state
- **50.0% (36.4 - 63.6)** of adults reported having received a flu vaccine in the past year

### As a result of participating in Jessamine County Extension programs:<sup>2</sup>

- **40** people increased knowledge of diet and exercise changes to improve health.
- **40** people made diet or exercise changes to improve health.
- **40** people experienced a change in knowledge of healthy home practices and stress management.

## Health Snapshot: Jessamine County<sup>11</sup>



### SOURCES

- <sup>1</sup> Kentucky State Data Center
- <sup>2</sup> Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service, Impact Reporting, FY2012
- <sup>3</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates
- <sup>4</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates
- <sup>5</sup> Kids Count Data Center, Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services
- <sup>6</sup> Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Data Book, June 2012
- <sup>7</sup> Kids Count Data Center, Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services
- <sup>8</sup> Kids Count Data Center, Kentucky Division of Child Support
- <sup>9</sup> Kentucky Health Facts, Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure
- <sup>10</sup> Kentucky Health Facts, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
- <sup>11</sup> Centers for Disease Control, National Diabetes Surveillance System

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