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**OUR PEOPLE** 

# **BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES** FOR KENTUCKY



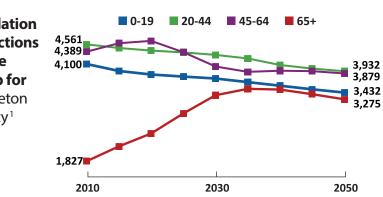
# **OUR FOCUS**

Family and Consumer Sciences Extension is committed to improving the health and well-being of individuals and families in Pendleton 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 23,685 contacts with Pendleton County individuals and families.<sup>2</sup>

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



# **SPOTLIGHT ON ...**

# MAKING HEALTHY LIFESTYLE CHOICES

ccording to an article in the Louisville Courier Journal in September 2010, obesity is blamed for 300,000 deaths and \$147 billion in health care costs each year in Kentucky. The Pendleton County Extension Service, in collaboration with other partners, presented a program called "Waist Management" to take steps to help individuals make healthier lifestyle choices. During the course of an eight-week weight loss challenge, the following was reported: A total

of 45 individuals participated in the program; a total of 193 pounds were lost; with the largest percentage of weight loss for an individual 13.46 percent. During the program: preand post-blood screenings and tests for chronic health conditions were completed; 61 percent reported a positive change in screenings.





## **OUR FAMILIES**

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

- 24.3% (+/- 5.5) families with related children were below poverty
- 10.9% (+/- 4.0) of those over the age of 65 were below poverty

#### In addition:

- 20.8% (+/- 2.0) of those ages 18-64 did not have health insurance in 2010<sup>4</sup>
- 201 children on average received Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP) benefits in 2010<sup>5</sup>
- **2,985** people received Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits in 2012<sup>6</sup>

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

- **750** people reported spending time in physical activity.
- **1,500** people increased their knowledge about healthy foods.
- 750 people reported eating more healthy foods.

## **OUR COMMUNITY**

In Pendleton County:

- **64.0%** of births were to mothers who received early and regular prenatal care in 2009<sup>7</sup>
- 66.0% of ordered child support was collected in 2011<sup>8</sup>

Of the **3** primary care physicians in Pendleton County:<sup>9</sup>

- 66.7% are family practice
- **33.3%** are pediatricians
- 0.0% are OB/GYN

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

- **525** people are involved in addressing community issues.
- 200 people increased awareness of how to manage current economic events.
- **2,095** people were able to utilize new decisionmaking skills for health.

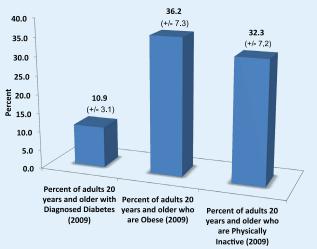
# **OUR HEALTH**

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

- **15.8% (7.5 30.4)** did not pursue health care due to cost, compared to **18% (17.0 18.6)** in the state
- 31.2% (18.9 46.9) of adults reported their health status as less than good, compared to 23% (22.0 - 23.6) in the state
- 26.9% (17.3 39.3) of adults reported having received a flu vaccine in the past year

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

- **7,091** people increased knowledge of diet and exercise changes to improve health.
- **2,175** people made diet or exercise changes to improve health.
- **2,665** people experienced a change in knowledge of healthy home practices and stress management.



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

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#### http://hes.uky.edu/StrongFamilies

