



LARUE COUNTY

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BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES FOR KENTUCKY 2015



OUR FOCUS

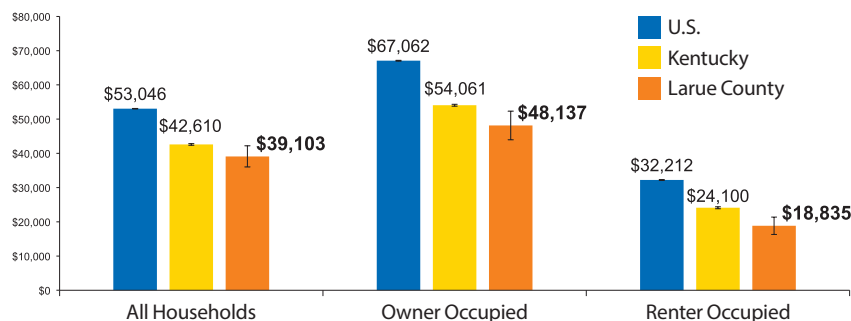
Family and Consumer Sciences Extension is committed to improving the health and well-being of individuals and families in Larue County. To help families make wise decisions, our educational programs focus on:

- **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 live independently longer
- **Securing Financial Stability** in a turbulent economic period
- **Promoting Healthy Homes and Communities** that 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 2013-2014, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension made **12,453** contacts with Larue County individuals and families.¹

OUR PEOPLE

Median household income by housing type* (2008-2012)²



SPOTLIGHT ON ...

MEMORY LOSS AND DEMENTIA

The Larue County Cooperative Extension Office partnered with the Greater Kentucky/Southern Indiana chapter of the Alzheimer's Association and the Lincoln Trail Area Agency on Aging to host a program on Alzheimer's disease-memory loss and dementia. The Family and Consumer Sciences agent promoted the program with a story in the local newspaper. Of the 30 people who attended the program, 70% were new to Extension programming. Program participants achieved a better understanding of the types of dementia, disease progression, and behavior changes that may occur. Some 85% of participants requested additional programming on dementia and Alzheimer's disease. Five families connected with the Lincoln Trail Area Agency on Aging for resources needed immediately by their loved ones.

<http://hes.uky.edu/StrongFamilies>

Housing has long been recognized as a basic human need. Yet, because housing is often a family's largest expense and largest debt, it can be a stumbling block for many. Safe, lower-cost housing options are often limited for struggling families, and this can lead them into crisis. Family and Consumer Sciences Extension helps people improve home safety, lessen their environmental footprint, and strengthen financial stability. It also helps communities promote healthy lifestyles throughout the lifespan by supporting strong family home environments. Please tell us ways you think we can do more.

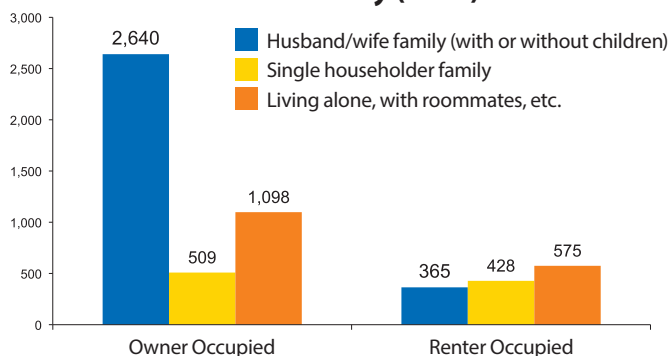
AVAILABILITY

In 2010, in Larue County, there were...³

- **1,368** renter households
- **4,247** homeowner households
- **110** vacant housing units for rent
- **81** vacant housing units for sale

According to the Kentucky Department of Education, in 2012-2013, **21** children were homeless or were precariously housed in Larue County.⁴

Number of households by housing type* in Larue County (2010)³



HEALTH AND SAFETY

In Larue County, it is estimated that in 2008-2012...²

- half of all renter-occupied housing was built before **1981** (+/- 4 years)
- half of all owner-occupied housing was built before **1979** (+/- 3 years)

According to 2008-2012 American Community Survey² estimates in Larue County...

- **3.6%** (+/- 1.8) of all households had no landline or cell phone
- **61.2%** (+/- 3.7) of workers living in Larue County worked in Kentucky but outside the county and **0.6%** (+/- 0.5) worked outside the state
- Half of all workers traveled **26.8** (+/- 2.0) or more minutes to work

AFFORDABILITY

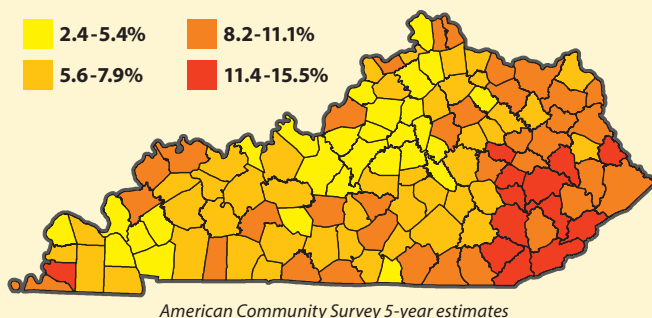
According to American Community Survey estimates for Larue County, in 2008-2012...²

- **35.1%** (+/- 9.5) of renter households paid **35%** or more of their income for rent and utilities
- **23.5%** (+/- 4.9) of homeowner households with a mortgage and **8.5%** (+/- 3.7) of homeowner households without a mortgage paid **35%** or more of their income for housing costs
- **37.4%** (+/- 3.4) of homeowner households did not have a mortgage
- **15.6%** (+/- 2.8) of all housing units were mobile homes

According to the most recent poverty estimates, in 2012, **18.9%** (+/- 3.6) of residents in the county were living below poverty.⁵

In 2013, residents needed to earn **\$11.25** an hour (or work **1.6** jobs at \$7.25 an hour**) to afford a two-bedroom apartment at Fair Market Rent in Larue County.⁶

Estimated percentage of households without a vehicle (2008-2012)²



American Community Survey 5-year estimates

SOURCES:

- ¹ Kentucky Cooperative Extension reporting, FY 2014
 - ² 2008-2012 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau
 - ³ 2010 Decennial Census, U.S. Census Bureau
 - ⁴ Kentucky Dept. of Education <http://education.ky.gov/federal/progs/txc/Pages/TX-Docs.aspx> (Data for school districts were combined to produce the county total.)
 - ⁵ Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau
 - ⁶ Out Of Reach 2014, National Low Income Housing Coalition
- * Data refer to housing tenure (owner or renter).
** The current federal minimum wage

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