

Montgomery County

Montgomery County has a population of 27,885, an increase of less than 1% over the past decade.

Our communities thrive when we ...



Provide Jobs and Opportunities

There were 524 people looking for work compared to 196 job openings.

In the past year, the county's unemployment rate has gone from 5% to 4.4%.



Ensure Access to Affordable Housing and Health Services

Rent was unaffordable for 46.3% of renters.

17.2% did not have health insurance.

There are 1,055 residents for every mental health provider.



Address Structural Barriers to Equality

48.6% of residents are low-income (\$48,600 or less for a family of four).

The richest 5% of households have an average income 26 times greater than the poorest fifth and 6 times the typical household.

... make the investments needed to power prosperity for more people and places in our state.

| Poverty and Economic Hardship | | | |
|--|--------|-------|-----------|
| | County | State | Year |
| Percentage of people living in poverty | 21.4% | 15.4% | 2012-2016 |
| Black | 41.3% | 26.1% | |
| White | 17.5% | 11.5% | |
| Latinx | 17.9% | 31.5% | |
| Asian | 0% | 12.9% | |
| American Indian | 93.2% | 28.1% | |
| Child poverty rate | 30.1% | 21.7% | 2016 |

| Healthy Lives and Communities | | | |
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| | County | State | Year |
| Percentage of residents without health insurance | 17.2% | 13.2% | 2012-2016 |
| Life expectancy | 78.2 years | 78 years | 2014-2016 |
| Black | 73.6 years | 75.6 years | |
| White | 79.8 years | 78.8 years | |
| Mental health provider : residents | 1 : 1,055 | 1 : 464 | 2017 |

| Jobs and Ability to Afford the Basics | | | |
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| | County | State | Year |
| Jobless worker : Job openings | 524 : 196 | 150,919 : 141,253 | Jan. 2018 |
| Unemployment rate | 4.4% | 4.3% | Dec. 2017 |
| Change in number of people employed since December 2007 | 106 fewer | 422,055 more | 2016 |
| Living Income Standard* wage (1 adult, 2 kids) | \$21.28 | \$21.95 | 2016 |
| Hourly median wage | \$12.88 | \$16.31 | 2016 |
| Change in median wage since the recovery began | fell 57 cents | fell 15 cents | 2009, 2016 |
| Median Household Income | \$40,371 | \$50,595 | 2016 |

| Educational Attainment | | | |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|
| | County | State | Year |
| Graduation rate | 89.8% | 86.5% | 2016-2017 |
| Black | 90.5% | 83.9% | |
| White | 86.5% | 89.3% | |
| Latinx | >95% | 80.5% | |
| Asian | 80% | 93.8% | |
| American Indian | *** | 84.3% | |
| Percentage of adults with Bachelor's degrees | 14.5% | 29% | 2012-2016 |
| Bachelor's degree, men | 14.7% | 28.2% | |
| Bachelor's degree, women | 14.3% | 29.8% | |
| Median salary, men with at least a Bachelor's | \$51,111 | \$57,765 | |
| Median salary, women with at least a Bachelor's | \$36,979 | \$38,851 | |

| Access to Affordable Housing | | | |
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| | County | State | Year |
| Percentage of people paying more than 30% of income toward rent | 46.3% | 50.6% | 2012-2016 |
| Fair market rent for a two-bedroom unit | \$642 | \$821 | 2017 |
| Two-bedroom housing wage (Number of hours/week a minimum wage worker would need for a two-bedroom unit) | \$12.35 | \$15.79 | 2017 |

| Work and Income Supports to Avoid Poverty | | | |
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| | County | State | Year |
| Percentage of residents receiving SNAP | 15.2% | 13.5% | Dec. 2017 |
| Number of people eligible for state Earned Income Tax Credit** | 2,715 | 1,204,039 | 2013 |

* The Living Income Standard is a measure of what a family needs in order to cover the basic expenses. ** Lawmakers allowed the state EITC to expire in 2013. *** Insufficient data