

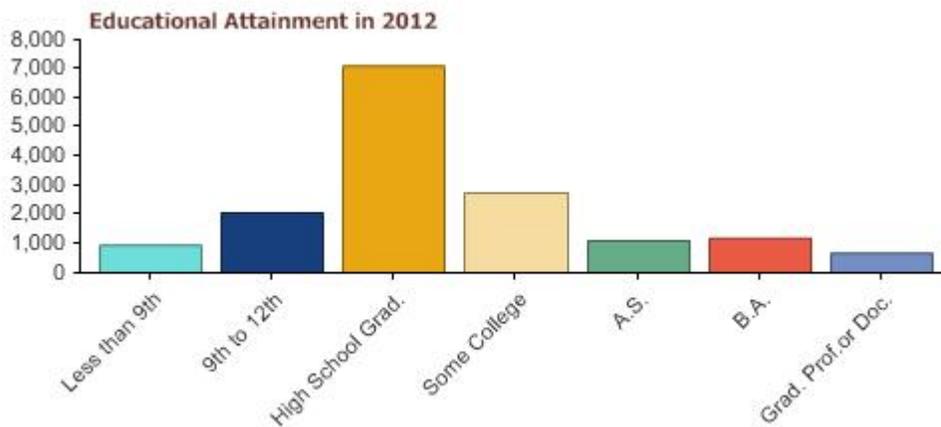
# Starke County, IN Highlights

## Education

The level of education of our workforce is a critical factor for economic and community development. It often provides insight into the skill levels of a local area. The metrics provided here focus on the attainment of degrees and high school graduates' higher education intent. The type of work (occupations) residents perform can also assist in understanding skill levels.

### Educational Attainment

	1970	1980	1990	2000	2012
Total Population 25 and Older	10,355	12,583	14,260	15,290	15,802
Less than 9th Grade	3,855	3,305	2,442	1,203	947
9th to 12th, No Diploma	2,143	2,658	3,274	3,082	2,054
High School Graduate (incl. equiv.)	3,389	4,660	5,482	6,640	7,096
Some College, No Degree			1,634	2,341	2,750
Associate Degree			574	738	1,099
Bachelors Degree			425	700	1,184
Graduate or Professional Degree*			429	586	672



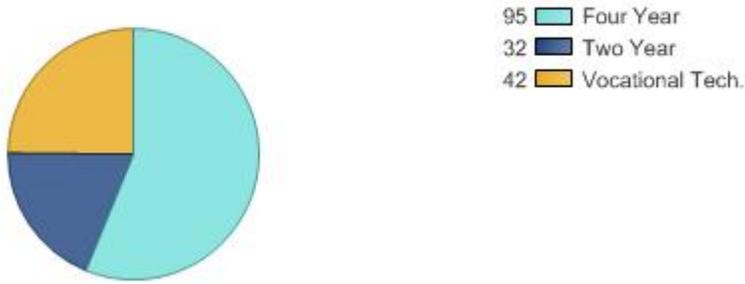
Source: U.S. Census Bureau & American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates

\*2011 data includes Doctorate Degrees

### High School Graduates Going on to Higher Education

	2005	2006	2007	2008
Total Graduates	214	226	265	249
Total to Higher Education	110	134	172	169
Four-Year Institution	68	85	108	95
Two-Year Institution	19	23	28	32
Vocational/Tech.	23	26	36	42
Military	11	8	6	8

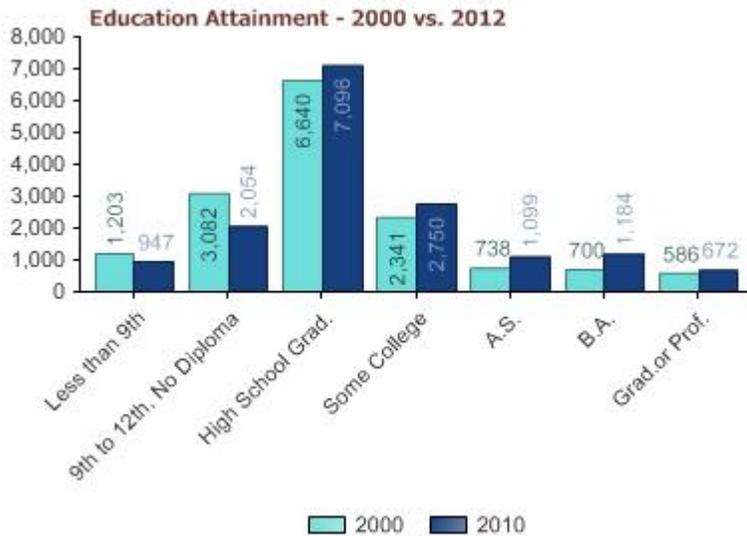
## 2008 Higher Education Intent



Source: Indiana Department of Education

## Educational Attainment in 2000 and 2012

	2000	Pct. of Pop. 25+	2012	Pct. of Pop. 25+
Total Population 25+	15,290	100.0%	15,802	100.0%
Less than 9th Grade	1,203	7.9%	947	6.0%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	3,082	20.2%	2,054	13.0%
High School Graduate (incl. equivalency)	6,640	43.4%	7,096	44.9%
Some College, No Degree	2,341	15.3%	2,750	17.4%
Associate's Degree	738	4.8%	1,099	7.0%
Bachelor's Degree	700	4.6%	1,184	7.5%
Graduate or Professional Degree**	586	3.8%	672	4.3%



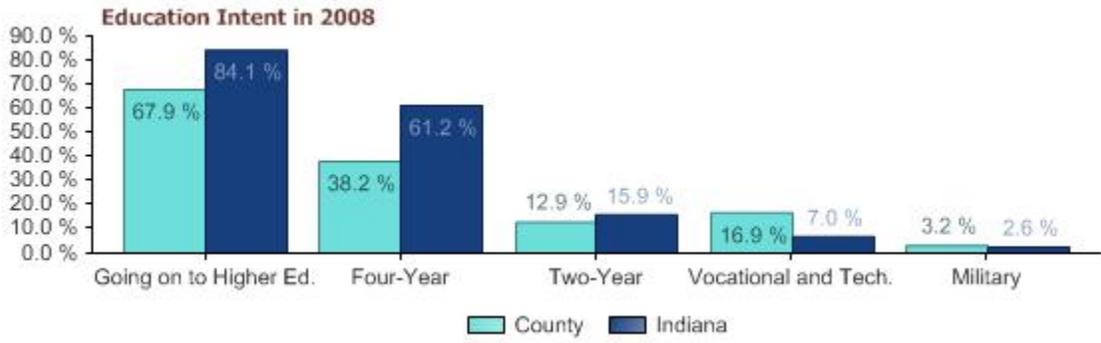
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## High School Graduates Higher Education Intent

	2008 Pct. Dist.	Indiana Pct. Dist.
Graduates	100.0%	100.0%
Total Going on to Higher Education	67.9%	84.1%
Four-Year Institution	38.2%	61.2%
Two-Year Institution	12.9%	15.9%

Vocational and Tech.	16.9%	7.0%
Military	3.2%	2.6%



Source: Indiana Department of Education