

### Desha County Snapshot

Population (2009):	13,358			
Change 2000-2009:	-12.9%	Projected change 2009-2015:	2.3%	
Gender distribution:	53.3% female	46.7% male		
Age distribution:	7.1% under 5	17.9% 5 to 17	60.0% 18 to 64	15.0% 65 and older

Education (2000):	65.0% with high school diploma	11.1% with bachelor's degree
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Median household income (2008):	\$ 27,555	Poverty Rate (2008):	29.0%
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Number of businesses (2002):	991		
Nonemployer (2007):	634	Private nonfarm (2007):	371
Employment (2007):	6,975		
Change 2000-2007:	-9.1%	Projected change 2007-2015:	3.3%
Average travel time to work (2000):	18.9 minutes		
Average earnings per job (2007):	\$ 31,214		

Change in county government revenues 2000-2007:	-10.5%	
Change in county government expenditures 2000-2007:	-47.1%	
County per capita revenue (2007):	\$ 281	
County per capita expenditure (2007):	\$ 179	
County per capita property tax revenue (2007):	\$ 66	*excludes school and city taxes
County per capita sales tax revenue (2007):	\$ 60	*excludes city and state taxes
County per capita intergovernmental revenue (2007):	\$ 88	

**Data Sources:**

- Population projections from Institute for Economic Advancement, University of Arkansas at Little Rock.
- Employment projections from Woods & Poole Economics, Inc. Washington, D.C. Copyright 2009. Woods & Poole does not guarantee the accuracy of this data. The use of this data and the conclusion drawn from it are solely the responsibility of the user.
- County revenue and expenditure data from Arkansas Division of Legislative Audit.
- All other data from Quickfacts, U.S. Census Bureau.