

# Baltimore County Youth Workforce Profile: A Look at Employment, Education, and Targeted Local Programs

<b>Total County Population:</b> <sup>1</sup>	788,994
<b>Population Age 16-19:</b>	47,127
<b>Population Age 20-24:</b>	53,416

## Employment Data

Top Five Industries Employing  
Baltimore County Youth (Age 14-21) <sup>3</sup>

- 1) Retail Trade
- 2) Accommodation/Food Service
- 3) Health Care/Social Assistance
- 4) Admin/Support/Waste Mgmt
- 5) Construction

### Youth Employment Rates <sup>1,2</sup>

		Balt. County	Statewide
Youth Overall	Ages 16-19	36.1%	35.7%
	Ages 20-24	71.3%	67.3%

Out-of-School Teens, Age 16-19	High School Dropouts	28.1%	37.0%
	High School Graduates	65.8%	68.0%
	Overall	54.9%	56.4%

Average Annual Earnings for  
Baltimore County Youth <sup>3</sup>

Age 14-18	Age 19-21
\$7,908	\$14,568

## Education Data

Out-of-School Youth<sup>1</sup>

		Baltimore County	Statewide
Age 15-17:	Percent	4.5%	4.8%
	Number	1,488	11,890
Age 18-19:	Percent	28.4%	28.0%
	Number	6,883	46,550
Age 20-24:	Percent	49.1%	56.4%
	Number	26,227	214,337

Educational Attainment,  
Population 25 Years and Over<sup>1</sup>

School Suspension Rate <sup>4</sup>	
<u>Baltimore County</u>	<u>Statewide</u>
11.1%	8.3%

	<u>Baltimore County</u>	<u>Statewide</u>
Less than High School	11.4%	12.6%
High School Credential	28.4%	27.4%
Some College	19.4%	18.3%
Associate's Degree or Higher	40.8%	41.6%

# Poverty, Disability & Parenthood

## Youth Ages 5-20 with a Disability<sup>1</sup>

Baltimore County	Statewide
7.4%	6.3%

## Births to Young Females, 15-19<sup>1</sup>

Baltimore County	Statewide
33/1000 women	22/1000 women

## Adult Poverty Rate by Educational Attainment (Age 25 and Over)<sup>1</sup>

	Baltimore County	Statewide
Less than High School	12.8%	18.2%
High School Credential	8.3%	8.3%
Some College/ Associate's Degree	5.0%	4.8%
Bachelor's Degree	2.7%	2.7%

## Children Under 18 in Poverty<sup>1</sup>

	Baltimore County	Statewide
Number	16,576	140,058
Percent	9.5%	10.5%

## Local Youth Resources

### **Baltimore County Office of Workforce Development**

The BCOWD coordinates a network of employment resources, including Workforce Development Centers with general resources for job-seekers, a range of programs for low-income teens ages 14-18.

Workforce Development Center at Eastpoint  
7930 Eastern Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21224  
Contact: 410-288-9050

Workforce Development Center at Hunt Valley  
11101 McCormick Rd, Ste 102, Hunt Valley, MD 21031  
Contact: 410-887-7940

First Step Youth Employment and Training Program  
Provides career assessment, GED and basic education, counseling, job skill and placement services for out-of-school youth ages 16-18.  
Contact: 410-521-3800

Catapult Learning Career Starters  
Provides GED preparation, computer literacy training, career planning, leadership development, and placement services for out-of-school 16-18 year-olds.  
Contact: 410-285-1842

Summer Youth Employment Program  
A 6-week summer jobs program open to county residents ages 14-24. Contact: 410-887-4813

### **Baltimore County Public School Systems**

The BCPS Office of Alternative Education, Dropout Prevention and Summer School offers alternative education programs for at-risk students, and GED programs for out-of-school youth.

#### GED Classes for 16-21 Year Olds

A free program for out-of-school youth. Combines GED prep, job readiness, and computer and management skills training. Courses offered day and evening at five sites. Contact: 410-887-2376

Catonsville Center for Alternative Studies  
Alternative high school for youth ages 14-21.  
Contact: 410-887-0934

Rosedale Center for Alternative Studies  
Alternative high school for youth ages 12-21.  
Contact: 410-887-0133

### **Job Corps**

Job Corps is a career training and education program for youth ages 16-24. Students build technical skills in a specific trade, and the academic and soft skills need for the workplace. Contact: 410-461-1100

### **External Diploma Program**

Adults who have not finished high school are eligible to enroll in the External Diploma Program through the Community College of Baltimore County. Contact: 443-840-1279 or 410-285-9593