

ALLEGANY COUNTY



Allegany County is situated in the southwest corner of the region about 75 miles from the City of Buffalo in the region's Southern Tier. Large employers like Alfred University, Alfred State, Houghton College, Empire Cheese, Friendship Dairies, Dresser-Rand, and Cuba Memorial Hospital contribute to an economy that is home to nearly 1,000 firms, 13,700 jobs, a population of nearly 50,000, and a labor force of 23,300. The majority of Allegany County jobs (56%) are filled by workers who live in the county, concentrated in and around Wellsville where two major universities are located in the southern portion of the county. Another 15% of workers travel from adjacent counties where they live near major thoroughfares adjacent to the county border. Hundreds of other private-sector workers travel from Erie County, but account for a relatively small share of Allegany County's workers.

BY THE NUMBERS, 2014

Population
48,387

Number of Firms
954

Number of Jobs
13,679

Number of People in the Labor Force (2015)
23,300

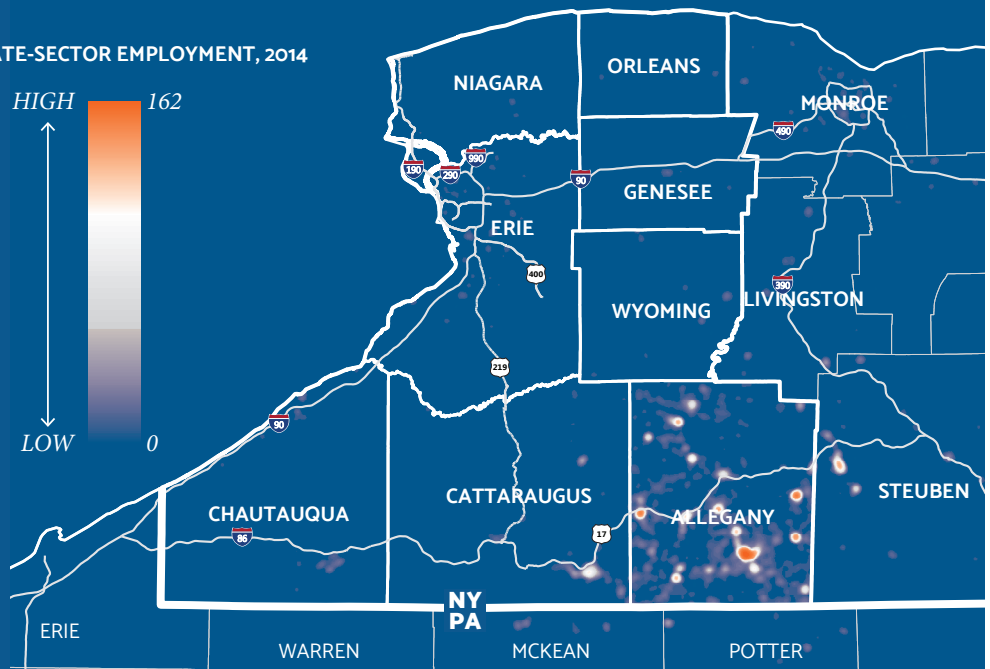
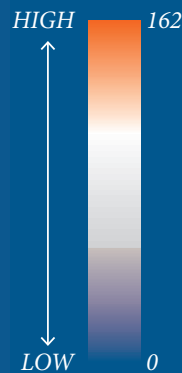
% Employment in Public Sector
28%

Average Private-Sector Wage
\$34,083

Source: See Data Sources & Notes for the various data sources.

Concentration of private-sector workers by location of residence, 2014

PRIVATE-SECTOR EMPLOYMENT, 2014



TOP 5 COUNTIES IN WHICH ALLEGANY COUNTY WORKERS RESIDE

% of Allegany County workers commuting...

... from these counties

56%	Allegany County
8%	Steuben County
7%	Cattaraugus County
3%	Erie County
3%	Monroe County
23%	All Other Locations

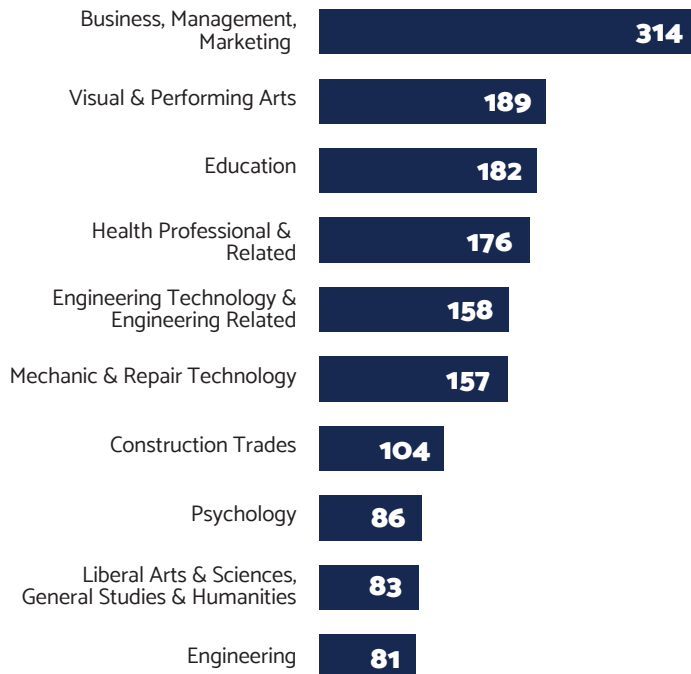
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Longitudinal-Employer Household Dynamics Program, OnTheMap Application, 2014.

Workforce development in Allegany County benefits from the presence of three institutions of higher education. Together, Houghton College, Alfred University and Alfred State College granted over 2,081 degrees and certificates to students in 2014. Ten broad fields of study accounted for about three-quarters of the total, with Business, Management, Marketing granting the most degrees. Many top fields of study support Allegany County's five industry specializations, which together comprise nearly half of the county's employment base.

Retaining more of these college graduates has the potential to support growing industries in Allegany County. Numbers suggest that many college graduates with a bachelor's degree or higher leave the county upon graduation. Only 22% of the county's workforce has a bachelor's degree or more, lagging regional and national benchmarks by over 10 percentage points.

TOP 10 FIELDS OF STUDY

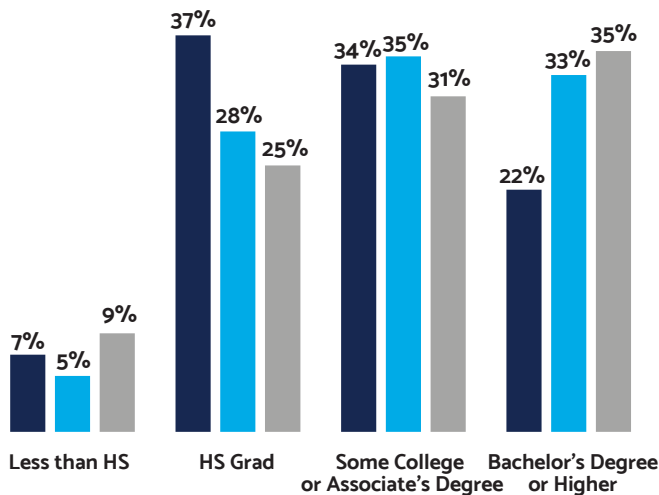
DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES AWARDED AT ALLEGANY COUNTY COLLEGES, 2014



Source: National Center for Education Statistics; Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, 2014.

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF LABOR FORCE

ALLEGANY COUNTY
BUFFALO NIAGARA
US



Source: American Community Survey, 1 and 5-year estimates, 2014.
NOTE: Percentages are based on the total number of workers in the labor force, ages 25-64.

INDUSTRY SPECIALIZATIONS FOR ALLEGANY COUNTY

Educational Services
Manufacturing
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting
Utilities
Accommodation and Food Service

These industry specializations as a % of total employment for...



Allegany County

48%



Buffalo Niagara

29%

Source: NYS DOL, QCEW, 2014. Excludes industries that comprise less than 0.5% of county's employment.