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Academic profile

Aaron Yelowitz is Professor of Economics at the University of Kentucky, with a joint appointment in the Martin School of Public Policy and Administration. He has served on the University of Kentucky faculty since 2001 and has been Professor since 2018.

- Ph.D., Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1994.
- B.A., Business Economics, University of California, Santa Barbara, 1990 (High Honors).
- Fields: public finance, health economics, labor economics, and applied microeconomics.

Selected current appointments and affiliations

- Professor, Department of Economics, University of Kentucky; joint appointment with the Martin School of Public Policy and Administration.
- Senior Fellow, Cato Institute (2017-present).
- Research Fellow, IZA@LISER Network (2021-present).
- Editorial Advisory Board, Public Finance Review; Editorial Board, Journal of Labor Research.
- Member, National Association of Forensic Economics

Selected scholarship

- Yelowitz and Ingram. "How Does Occupational Licensing Affect Entry into the Medical Field? An Examination of Emergency Medical Technicians." *Southern Economic Journal* 91(1) (2024): 38-61.
- Hoyt, Taulbee, and Yelowitz. "Anticipated Property Tax Increases and the Timing of Home Sales: Evidence from Administrative Data." *Public Budgeting & Finance* 44(4) (2024): 114-146.
- Bollinger and Yelowitz. "Targeting Intensive Job Assistance to Ex-Offenders by the Nature of Offense: Results from a Randomized Control Trial." *Economic Inquiry* 59(3) (2021): 1308-1327.
- Gruber and Yelowitz. "Public Health Insurance and Private Savings." *Journal of Political Economy* 107(6) (1999): 1249-1274.
- Yelowitz. "The Medicaid Notch, Labor Supply and Welfare Participation: Evidence from Eligibility Expansions." *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 110(4) (1995): 909-939.

Selected government testimony

- U.S. Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship - franchising in labor markets and lending (March 16, 2022).
- Pennsylvania House State Government Committee - improper enrollment in Pennsylvania's Medicaid program (October 26, 2022).
- Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors - proposed county minimum wage (July 20, 2015).
- Louisville Metro Council - proposed citywide minimum wage (October 30, 2014).
- Atlanta Living Wage Ordinance Independent Review Commission - living-wage evidence (January 23, 2004).

Professional testimony and economic consulting

CURRENT AS OF SEPTEMBER 2026

Professional engagements documented on this site. Four matters are currently documented here: three expert-testimony matters and one economic-consulting matter.

Consulting matters are identified separately from matters involving testimony. A consulting record is not presented as testimony unless the record expressly identifies testimony.

EXPERT TESTIMONY | 2026

LDG Multifamily, LLC and Realty Management Group, LLC v. City of Prospect, Kentucky

Jefferson Circuit Court, Division 13, No. 17-CI-006262

Expert economist retained on behalf of municipal defendants. Deposition testimony, February 20, 2026. Demographic, affordable-housing, residential-segregation, Census, and HUD analysis concerning a proposed senior Low-Income Housing Tax Credit development.

ECONOMIC CONSULTING | 2012

Hyland, Pullen, and Burnette v. HomeServices of America, Inc., et al.

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky, No. 3:05-CV-612-R

Research support to defense expert Dr. Frank Scott. Real-estate brokerage research and market analysis.

EXPERT TESTIMONY | 2010

Commonwealth of Kentucky v. Alpharma, Inc. and Purepac Pharmaceutical Co.

In re Pharmaceutical Industry Average Wholesale Price Litigation, Franklin Circuit Court, No. 04-CI-1487

Expert witness for defendants. Deposition testimony, December 1, 2010. Economic analysis concerning pharmaceutical average-wholesale-price litigation.

EXPERT TESTIMONY | 2004

New Mexicans for Free Enterprise et al. v. City of Santa Fe

First Judicial District Court, Santa Fe County, New Mexico, No. D-101-DV-2003-00468

Expert witness for plaintiffs. Trial testimony, April 16, 2004. Economic analysis of Santa Fe's living-wage ordinance.

Documented economic-damages services

- Analysis of lost earnings and earning capacity
- Economic analysis of future medical and life-care costs
- Review of opposing economic reports

Engagement terms

Engagements are considered for plaintiffs and defendants.

Compensation is not contingent on the outcome.

Public record and contact

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Data and methods experience

The public record includes empirical work using administrative and survey data, along with Census and HUD analysis documented in the 2026 housing matter. Research spans public programs, labor markets, health insurance, housing, and applied program evaluation.