



New York State Community Action Association
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Dear Colleague:

We are pleased to release the 16th Annual New York State Poverty Report. This report is designed to be a useful resource for New York's Community Action Agencies, community-based organizations, policy makers, advocates, community coalitions, and the general public. While the report is not designed to recommend specific policy or system changes, it does provide essential data that we believe will inform dialogue about how to address the complex issue of poverty. It is our goal to provide the information needed to enhance the capacity of agencies to serve as effective, responsive community resources in the fight against poverty.

Much of the data contained in the report is based on the American Communities Survey (ACS) that the US Census Bureau aggregates in five year estimates (2017-2021). This year's report includes ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) data at the state and county level. ALICE data represents the growing number of families who are unable to afford the basics of housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, and technology.

As was the case last year, the report does not include Free Lunch data. This is one of the many impacts of COVID, as schools provided lunch to all students during the pandemic, regardless of income.

The sources of all the data used in the report can be found on page 180. A digital copy of the Report is on the [NYSCAA website](#), where you can choose to download the entire report or specific county profiles.

We welcome your feedback about the report, and NYSCAA staff can be reached electronically, [here](#), or by phone at 518.690.0491.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Orr, CEO
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New York State Profile



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13.4%
 New York State
 Poverty Rate

State Population:
20,114,745

*Population for whom
 poverty status is
 determined:*

Overall
19,604,130

Population Under 18
4,138,136

Population 25 & Over
13,885,941

Population 65 & Over
3,237,033

Living In Poverty

Individuals
13.4% (2,636,823)

Children (Under 18)
18.4% (760,862)

Adults 25 & Over
11.3% (1,576,045)

Adults 65 & Over
11.7% (377,545)

Education & Poverty

Education Attainment for Adults 25+ (13,885,941)



Total Population

No Degree	12.3%
High School	25.0%
Associate	24.2%
Bachelors +	38.5%

Living in Poverty

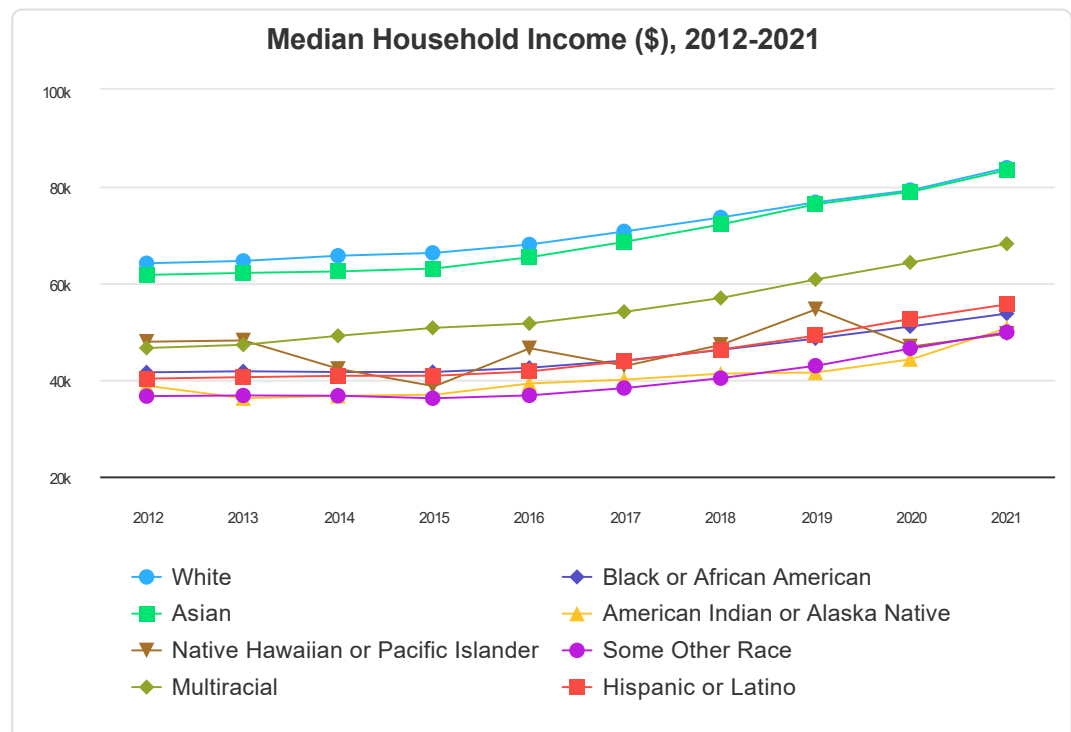
No Degree	26.7%
High School	14.7%
Associate	10.3%
Bachelors +	5.0%

Employment & Poverty

Living Wage for 1 Adult, 1 Child	\$41.59
Hourly Wage for FMR, 2BR Apt	\$37.72
Median Income	\$49,839
Median Income w/ HS Diploma	\$34,972
Male Median Earnings	\$41,575
Female Median Earnings	\$28,276



Median Household Income by Race & Ethnicity



ALICE: households that are Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed.

29.9%
Households Live Below ALICE Threshold

Total Households:
7,635,201

ALICE Households by Race & Ethnicity

White
1,282,697

Black or African American
429,869

Asian
196,954

Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
941

Multiracial
213,753

Hispanic or Latino
530,977

Health Insurance & Poverty



No Health Insurance

Employed **6.9%**
Unemployed **14.3%**

Gender & Poverty

Male **12.3% (1,169,005)**
Female **14.6% (1,467,818)**

Of those families with Female Heads of Household and Children Present

33.0%

Live in Poverty

Race, Ethnicity & Poverty

White **10.0% (1,194,451)**
Black or African American **20.2% (594,084)**
Asian **14.1% (239,259)**
American Indian or Alaska Native **23.2% (18,745)**
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander **27.2% (2,344)**
Some Other Race **22.4% (397,739)**
Multiracial **16.2% (190,201)**
Hispanic or Latino **20.2% (766,737)**

ALICE Household Monthly Survival Budget

1 Adult	\$2,558	2 Adults	\$3,714
1 Senior Adult	\$2,905	2 Adults, 2 Infants	\$6,649
1 Adult, 1 Infant	\$4,132	2 Adults, 2 Pre-K	\$5,995
1 Adult, 1 Pre-K	\$3,907	2 Adults, 2 School-age	\$5,109
1 Adult, 1 School-age	\$3,487		

Children in Poverty

