



# Erie County

## Community Action Organization of Western New York

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# 14.2%

## Erie County Poverty Rate

County Population:  
**919,355**

*Population for whom poverty status is determined:*

Overall  
**893,029**

Population Under 18  
**184,366**

Population 25 & Over  
**635,331**

Population over 65  
**156,859**

### Living In Poverty

Individuals  
**14.2% (126,806)**

Children (Under 18)  
**21.1% (38,811)**

Adults 25+  
**11.2% (71,074)**

Senior Citizens 65+  
**8.7% (13,596)**

## Education & Poverty

Education Attainment for Adults 25+ (635,331)



### Total Population

No Degree	8.0%
High School	27.4%
Associate	30.0%
Bachelors +	34.7%

### Living in Poverty

No Degree	32.6%
High School	14.0%
Associate	10.5%
Bachelors +	4.6%

## Employment & Poverty

Living Wage for 1 Adult, 1 Child	<b>\$29.89</b>
Hourly Wage for FMR, 2BR Apt	<b>\$16.21</b>
Median Income	<b>\$42,611</b>
Median Income w/ HS Diploma	<b>\$31,779</b>
Male Median Earnings	<b>\$39,095</b>
Female Median Earnings	<b>\$25,235</b>



## Health & Poverty



No Health Insurance	
Employed	<b>4.2%</b>
Unemployed	<b>14.2%</b>
Free/Reduced Lunch Program	<b>56%</b>

## Gender & Poverty

Male	<b>12.9% (55,527)</b>
Female	<b>15.4% (71,279)</b>

Of those families with  
Female Heads of Household  
and Children Present

# 37.4%

Live in Poverty

## Race & Poverty

White	<b>9.1% (63,395)</b>
African American	<b>31.3% (36,742)</b>
Hispanic/Latino	<b>34.0% (16,265)</b>

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