




# THE STATE OF POVERTY

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**Community Action Partnership for Dutchess County**



NYS  
Annual  
Poverty  
Report



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Relatively  
Unchanged

## STATEWIDE POVERTY RATE

# 15.7%

2016: 15.6%

2015: 15.9%

2014: 15.6%

2013: 15.1%



# 2017 POVERTY REPORT DATA

Five year data – 2011 - 2015

Children under 18:	22.2%
Adults over 25:	12.7%
Senior Citizens over 65+:	11.5%
Hispanic/Latino:	25.9%
African American:	23.4%
White:	11.3%
Households w/single mother head and children	38.4%



# EDUCATION & POVERTY

Relatively unchanged

No HS Diploma or Equivalent: 29.3%

HS Diploma or Equivalent: 15.1%

Associate Degree: 10.9%

Bachelors Degree or Higher: 5.3%

## Gender Wage Gap

Also remains relatively unchanged –

Median earnings with high school diploma or equivalent:

All: \$30,084

Male: \$35,051

Female: \$24,140



Dutchess County

May 17

9.4%

## COUNTY POVERTY RATE

Children under 18:	11.8%
Seniors 65+:	5.3%
Hispanic/Latino:	16.6%
African American:	19.1%





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**County Population:**  
**296,928**

*Population for whom poverty status is determined:*

Overall **280,620**  
Population Under 18 **60,047**  
Population 25 & Over **195,491**  
Population over 65 **42,546**

**9.4%**  
**COUNTY POVERTY RATE**

**Living In Poverty**

Individuals	9.4%	26,229
Children (Under 18)	11.8%	7,056
Adults 25+	7.7%	15,110
Senior Citizens 65+	5.3%	2,249

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**Dutchess County**

Community Action Partnership for Dutchess County

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**Race & Poverty**

White	7.5% (16,796)
African American	19.1% (5,085)
Hispanic/Latino	16.6% (5,133)



**Education & Poverty**



**Adult Population 25+: 195,491**

**Educational Attainment**

<b>No Degree</b>	<b>High School</b>	<b>Associate</b>	<b>Bachelors or Higher</b>
■ 9.4% (18,366)	■ 26.6% (51,909)	■ 29.8% (58,161)	■ 34.3% (67,055)
<b>Total*</b>	<b>Total*</b>	<b>Total*</b>	<b>Total*</b>
■ 22.3% (4,087)	■ 9.8% (5,108)	■ 7.2% (4,157)	■ 2.6% (1,758)
<b>Living In Poverty</b>	<b>Living In Poverty</b>	<b>Living In Poverty</b>	<b>Living In Poverty</b>

\*DUE TO ROUNDING, PERCENTAGES MAY NOT ADD UP PRECISELY TO 100%.



**Employment & Poverty**

Living Wage for 1 Adult, 1 Child Household  
**\$26.33**

Hourly Wage for FMR, 2BR Apartment  
**\$24.44**

Median Income  
**\$41,840**

Median Income w/High School Diploma  
**\$31,500**

**Health & Poverty**

**No Health Insurance**

Employed 9.5%  
Unemployed 25.8%

**Free/Reduced Lunch Program**

**30%**

**Gender & Poverty High School Diploma Only**



Median Earnings  
**\$38,647**



Median Earnings  
**\$24,750**

Of Those Families with Female Heads of Household and Children Present

**29.4%**  
**Live in Poverty**



# OTHER DATA INCLUDED

The NYS Education Department reported: 46% of students were eligible for free or reduced lunch in January 2016.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology calculated the living wage for a household of one adult and one child: \$27.16.

National Low Income Housing Coalition's report "Out of Reach 2016" lists the hourly wage required for a fair market rate apartment with two bedrooms: \$26.69.



# 2017 Federal Poverty Guidelines

Number in Household	100%	125%	133%	138%	150%	200%	250%
1	\$12,060	\$15,075	\$16,040	\$16,643	\$18,090	\$24,120	\$29,700
2	\$16,240	\$20,300	\$21,599	\$22,411	\$24,360	\$32,480	\$40,050
3	\$20,420	\$25,525	\$27,159	\$28,180	\$30,630	\$40,840	\$50,400
4	\$24,600	\$30,750	\$32,718	\$33,948	\$36,900	\$49,200	\$60,750
5	\$28,780	\$35,975	\$38,277	\$39,716	\$43,170	\$57,560	\$71,100
6	\$32,960	\$41,200	\$43,837	\$45,485	\$49,440	\$65,920	\$81,450
7	\$37,140	\$46,425	\$49,396	\$51,253	\$55,710	\$74,289	\$91,850
8	\$41,320	\$51,650	\$54,956	\$57,022	\$61,980	\$82,640	\$102,250



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