

Accessing Poverty Statistics for Your Community



* Visit the Census Bureau American Fact Finder at factfinder.census.gov/



* In “Community Facts”, type the location. (You can enter a whole state, county, city, town, or even ZIP Code.)

* On the drop down menu on the left, choose “Poverty”.



* The percentage at the top is the official poverty rate for all people in your location.

* Choose the top link: *Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months (Age, Sex, Race, Education, Employment)*.

		St. Louis city, Missouri				
		Total	Below poverty level		Percent below poverty level	
		Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	
Population for whom poverty status is determined		302,014	+/-6,951	82,419	+/-2,201	27.1%
AGE						
Under 18 years		85,213	+/-3,261	26,474	+/-1,103	31.0%
18 to 17 years		208,791	+/-7,691	55,945	+/-1,898	26.8%
Detailed Under 18 years		42,552	+/-2,461	16,551	+/-673	38.9%
0 to 4 years		20,361	+/-1,261	8,361	+/-311	40.8%
5 to 17 years		22,191	+/-1,200	8,190	+/-362	36.9%
18 to 14 years		186,739	+/-6,430	47,594	+/-219	25.5%
15 to 14 years		192,068	+/-6,430	48,354	+/-219	25.2%
15 to 14 years and over		32,582	+/-1,401	5,420	+/-169	16.6%
15 years and over		24,347	+/-1,251	5,994	+/-173	24.6%
RACE						
White		148,823	+/-4,471	37,980	+/-1,351	25.5%
Black		108,421	+/-3,378	40,256	+/-1,351	36.9%
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN						
White alone		148,824	+/-4,471	37,980	+/-1,351	25.5%
Black or African American alone		107,288	+/-3,191	36,927	+/-1,214	34.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone		717	+/-101	81	+/-26	11.3%
Asian alone		6,403	+/-481	1,101	+/-101	17.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone		2,178	+/-142	118	+/-19	5.4%
Some other race alone		2,352	+/-142	532	+/-71	22.6%
Two or more races		7,872	+/-454	2,519	+/-164	31.9%
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race):		15,486	+/-178	5,132	+/-163	33.1%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino		132,338	+/-4,442	36,102	+/-1,223	27.3%

* Take note of the overall poverty rate (highlighted).

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* Take note of the Child Poverty rate (highlighted).

* Notice the discrepancy with the overall rate--children bear a disproportionate share of the poverty burden.

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* Take note of the poverty rates among different racial and ethnic groups (highlighted). Certain communities of color also bear a disproportionate share of the poverty burden.

* This also includes data on the education and work experience of people living below the poverty line, which many Vincentians will find useful in their advocacy and programming.

* *‘Unrelated Individuals’ is a specific subset of data that most Vincentians will find is not relevant to their work.*