

A Comparative Look at County Poverty Levels

The ten New York State counties with the greatest number of people living in poverty, from highest to lowest, are: Kings, Bronx, Queens, New York, Erie, Monroe, Suffolk, Westchester, Nassau, and Onondaga. The ten counties with the highest percentage of the population living in poverty, from highest to lowest, are: Bronx, Kings, Tompkins, Montgomery, Franklin, St. Lawrence, Chautauqua, Oswego, New York, and Broome.

County	Number in Poverty	Rank by Number	Percent in Poverty	Rank by Percent
Albany	36,325	15	12.41%	43
Allegany	6,992	46	16.51%	13
Bronx	422,197	2	29.73%	1
Broome	31,795	16	17.1%	10
Cattaraugus	12,777	30	16.9%	11
Cayuga	8,599	39	11.64%	48
Chautauqua	23,101	19	18.49%	7
Chemung	12,934	29	15.81%	19
Chenango	6,973	47	14.54%	29
Clinton	11,518	32	15.71%	20
Columbia	6,806	48	11.41%	50
Cortland	6,573	49	14.7%	27
Delaware	7,187	45	16.49%	14
Dutchess	25,353	18	9.09%	57
Erie	133,648	5	14.89%	24
Essex	3,170	59	8.9%	58
Franklin	8,793	38	19.38%	5
Fulton	8,461	41	16.03%	16
Genesee	7,362	44	12.76%	40
Greene	5,550	52	12.43%	42
Hamilton	446	62	9.68%	55
Herkimer	9,201	36	14.9%	23
Jefferson	16,189	26	14.76%	26
Kings	570,731	1	21.85%	2
Lewis	3,765	57	14.21%	32
Livingston	8,497	40	14.6%	28
Madison	7,397	43	11.11%	52

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Monroe	107,481	6	14.84%	25
Montgomery	9,486	35	19.59%	4
Nassau	78,657	9	5.85%	61
New York	277,483	4	17.27%	9
Niagara	28,070	17	13.44%	35
Oneida	36,487	14	16.6%	12
Onondaga	67,057	10	14.94%	22
Ontario	10,343	34	9.75%	54
Orange	45,108	13	12.24%	45
Orleans	6,169	51	15.88%	18
Oswego	20,978	21	18.33%	8
Otsego	8,966	37	16.11%	15
Putnam	4,719	54	4.81%	62
Queens	317,142	3	13.71%	34
Rensselaer	19,322	22	12.55%	41
Richmond	60,735	11	12.92%	38
Rockland	45,563	12	14.22%	31
Saratoga	14,681	27	6.6%	60
Schenectady	18,684	24	12.35%	44
Schoharie	4,186	56	13.87%	33
Schuyler	2,706	61	15.29%	21
Seneca	3,752	58	11.81%	46
St. Lawrence	19,142	23	19.37%	6
Steuben	13,922	28	14.53%	30
Suffolk	105,522	7	7.19%	59
Sullivan	11,583	31	15.88%	17
Tioga	5,453	53	11.15%	51
Tompkins	18,411	25	20.36%	3
Ulster	22,682	20	13.16%	36
Warren	6,328	50	9.93%	53
Washington	7,556	42	12.82%	39
Wayne	10,541	33	11.7%	47
Westchester	89,829	8	9.44%	56

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Wyoming	4,267	55	11.42%	49
Yates	3,120	60	13.09%	37

This data from the US Census Bureau's American Communities Survey (ACS) report S1701 - Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months, 2013 - 2017 five year estimates. (factfinder2.census.gov)