

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, Montgomery, Tompkins, Chautauqua, St. Lawrence, Franklin, Broome, Oswego, and Allegany.

County	Number in Poverty	Rank by Number	Percent in Poverty	Rank by Percent
Albany	34,570	14	11.87%	41
Allegany	7,047	44	16.88%	10
Bronx	392,172	2	28.01%	1
Broome	31,945	16	17.41%	8
Cattaraugus	12,324	29	16.5%	12
Cayuga	8,812	36	12.1%	38
Chautauqua	22,398	20	18.2%	5
Chemung	11,136	30	13.87%	27
Chenango	6,368	48	13.53%	32
Clinton	10,902	32	15%	18
Columbia	6,777	45	11.57%	46
Cortland	7,272	42	16.4%	13
Delaware	7,071	43	16.58%	11
Dutchess	25,065	18	9.04%	56
Erie	126,806	5	14.2%	22
Essex	3,435	59	9.87%	53
Franklin	7,981	39	17.78%	7
Fulton	7,814	40	14.9%	19
Genesee	6,189	49	10.87%	49
Greene	6,167	50	13.99%	25
Hamilton	443	62	9.89%	52
Herkimer	8,307	37	13.64%	31
Jefferson	14,897	26	14.02%	24
Kings	511,631	1	19.95%	2
Lewis	3,540	58	13.48%	33
Livingston	7,572	41	13.18%	35
Madison	6,459	47	9.78%	54

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Monroe	103,406	6	14.39%	21
Montgomery	9,544	34	19.77%	3
Nassau	74,291	9	5.56%	61
New York	250,913	4	15.83%	14
Niagara	27,857	17	13.46%	34
Oneida	33,715	15	15.47%	15
Onondaga	62,610	10	14.11%	23
Ontario	9,193	35	8.66%	58
Orange	43,142	13	11.65%	44
Orleans	5,226	52	13.72%	29
Oswego	19,213	21	17%	9
Otsego	8,154	38	14.87%	20
Putnam	4,847	54	4.98%	62
Queens	276,447	3	12.23%	36
Rensselaer	17,963	22	11.71%	42
Richmond	54,621	11	11.65%	43
Rockland	44,404	12	13.87%	26
Saratoga	13,148	27	5.84%	60
Schenectady	17,271	24	11.45%	47
Schoharie	3,612	57	12.1%	39
Schuyler	2,717	61	15.4%	16
Seneca	3,825	56	12.17%	37
St. Lawrence	17,328	23	17.87%	6
Steuben	12,971	28	13.69%	30
Suffolk	100,133	7	6.87%	59
Sullivan	10,999	31	15.15%	17
Tioga	4,899	53	10.15%	51
Tompkins	16,838	25	18.89%	4
Ulster	23,571	19	13.79%	28
Warren	5,997	51	9.47%	55
Washington	6,578	46	11.3%	48
Wayne	10,371	33	11.62%	45
Westchester	83,603	8	8.84%	57

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Wyoming	3,933	55	10.47%	50
Yates	2,837	60	11.91%	40

This data from the US Census Bureau's American Communities Survey (ACS) report S1701 - Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months, 2015 - 2019 five year estimates. (factfinder2.census.gov)