

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, Franklin, St. Lawrence, Oswego, New York, and Cattaraugus.

County	Number in Poverty	Rank by Number	Percent in Poverty	Rank by Percent
Albany	37,749	14	12.92%	40
Allegany	7,284	46	17.07%	13
Bronx	427,715	2	30.53%	1
Broome	32,624	16	17.42%	11
Cattaraugus	13,265	29	17.46%	10
Cayuga	8,494	41	11.39%	51
Chautauqua	24,410	19	19.4%	5
Chemung	13,179	30	15.94%	18
Chenango	7,468	45	15.39%	21
Clinton	11,865	32	16.14%	17
Columbia	7,605	44	12.7%	42
Cortland	6,209	50	13.75%	35
Delaware	6,987	49	15.85%	19
Dutchess	25,562	18	9.15%	58
Erie	132,072	5	14.74%	26
Essex	3,638	59	10.07%	56
Franklin	8,706	40	19.23%	6
Fulton	8,861	37	16.7%	14
Genesee	7,245	47	12.45%	44
Greene	5,826	52	12.97%	38
Hamilton	526	62	11.28%	52
Herkimer	8,738	38	14.01%	33
Jefferson	16,236	26	14.58%	29
Kings	587,518	1	22.73%	2
Lewis	3,750	58	14.02%	32
Livingston	8,720	39	14.89%	24
Madison	7,932	42	11.86%	49
Monroe	107,724	6	14.86%	25
Montgomery	10,014	35	20.61%	3
Nassau	80,282	9	6%	61

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New York	279,847	4	17.62%	9
Niagara	28,523	17	13.62%	36
Oneida	36,789	15	16.67%	15
Onondaga	68,285	10	15.19%	22
Ontario	10,898	33	10.29%	55
Orange	46,342	12	12.65%	43
Orleans	6,089	51	15.58%	20
Oswego	21,100	21	18.31%	8
Otsego	9,106	36	16.32%	16
Putnam	5,061	54	5.16%	62
Queens	334,149	3	14.63%	27
Rensselaer	19,064	23	12.37%	46
Richmond	60,530	11	12.94%	39
Rockland	46,128	13	14.51%	30
Saratoga	14,193	28	6.43%	60
Schenectady	18,055	25	11.96%	47
Schoharie	4,273	56	14.14%	31
Schuyler	2,617	61	14.63%	28
Seneca	3,952	57	12.38%	45
St. Lawrence	19,107	22	19.2%	7
Steuben	14,558	27	15.08%	23
Suffolk	106,499	7	7.25%	59
Sullivan	12,479	31	17.11%	12
Tioga	5,405	53	10.99%	54
Tompkins	18,133	24	20.07%	4
Ulster	22,480	20	13.02%	37
Warren	7,079	48	11.06%	53
Washington	7,627	43	12.87%	41
Wayne	10,761	34	11.9%	48
Westchester	92,600	8	9.79%	57
Wyoming	4,312	55	11.53%	50
Yates	3,319	60	13.9%	34

This data from the US Census Bureau's American Communities Survey (ACS) report S1701 - Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months, 2012 - 2016 five year estimates. (factfinder2.census.gov)