

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

County	Number in Poverty	Rank by Number	Percent in Poverty	Rank by Percent
Albany	39,349	14	13.48%	35
Allegany	7,285	47	16.9%	15
Bronx	427,574	2	30.7%	1
Broome	33,615	16	17.87%	11
Cattaraugus	13,954	29	18.26%	9
Cayuga	9,010	40	11.99%	50
Chautauqua	23,894	19	18.88%	7
Chemung	13,044	30	15.8%	20
Chenango	7,741	45	15.86%	19
Clinton	12,163	32	16.48%	16
Columbia	7,067	48	11.74%	53
Cortland	6,675	50	14.67%	29
Delaware	6,799	49	15.27%	23
Dutchess	26,229	18	9.35%	58
Erie	134,715	5	15.04%	27
Essex	3,894	58	10.68%	54
Franklin	9,213	37	20.26%	5
Fulton	9,100	39	17.07%	13
Genesee	7,748	44	13.21%	37
Greene	5,813	52	12.89%	39
Hamilton	609	62	12.87%	40
Herkimer	9,145	38	14.59%	31
Jefferson	16,938	26	15.06%	26
Kings	597,404	1	23.21%	2
Lewis	3,238	60	12.11%	49
Livingston	8,681	41	14.76%	28
Madison	8,180	42	12.19%	48
Monroe	110,192	6	15.2%	24
Montgomery	10,053	35	20.62%	3
Nassau	82,146	9	6.15%	61

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New York	283,590	4	17.92%	10
Niagara	28,816	17	13.71%	34
Oneida	37,760	15	17.06%	14
Onondaga	69,487	10	15.45%	22
Ontario	10,975	34	10.39%	55
Orange	46,731	12	12.79%	42
Orleans	6,173	51	15.71%	21
Oswego	21,615	21	18.62%	8
Otsego	9,275	36	16.47%	17
Putnam	5,212	53	5.31%	62
Queens	343,834	3	15.11%	25
Rensselaer	19,186	23	12.45%	47
Richmond	58,470	11	12.53%	46
Rockland	46,118	13	14.6%	30
Saratoga	14,583	28	6.65%	60
Schenectady	19,028	24	12.62%	45
Schoharie	3,936	57	12.91%	38
Schuyler	2,595	61	14.48%	32
Seneca	4,081	56	12.7%	43
St. Lawrence	19,494	22	19.44%	6
Steuben	15,888	27	16.34%	18
Suffolk	103,269	7	7.02%	59
Sullivan	12,868	31	17.52%	12
Tioga	4,801	54	9.65%	56
Tompkins	18,547	25	20.55%	4
Ulster	22,290	20	12.85%	41
Warren	7,685	46	11.96%	51
Washington	8,004	43	13.48%	36
Wayne	11,541	33	12.66%	44
Westchester	90,752	8	9.62%	57
Wyoming	4,425	55	11.79%	52
Yates	3,446	59	14.38%	33

This data from the US Census Bureau's American Communities Survey (ACS) report S1701 - Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months, 2011 - 2015 five year estimates. (factfinder2.census.gov)