



## First Look at Poverty, Hardship, and Health Insurance: *Precarious Gains of 2019 Snatched Away by Pandemic*

Unprecedented Hardship in 2020*		
	Number	Percent
<b>Adults in Households with Loss of Income from Work</b>	113m	45.5
Adults in Latinx Households/loss of work income	23.7m	57
Black	15.4m	52
Asian	6.0m	47
White	63.1m	41
<b>Adults in Households w/children sometimes/often without enough to eat in previous 7 days</b>	12m	14
Adults in Latinx HH w/children/not enough to eat	3.7m	20
Black	2.8m	24
Asian	0.4m	8
White	4.6m	10
<b>Adults Uninsured</b>	19.2m	8
Latinx Adults uninsured	6.0m	17
Black	2.8m	11
Asian	0.8m	7
White	8.8m	6

Number of People Lifted Out of Poverty, by Program* (Numbers in 1,000's)		
	2019	2018
Social Security	26,455	27,205
Refundable tax credits <sup>1</sup>	7,498	8,950
Housing subsidies	2,647	3,013
SNAP	2,496	3,210

Insurance Coverage** (Numbers in 1,000's)	2019 Number	2019 Percent	2018 Number	2018 Percent
All Uninsured	29,639	9.2	28,566	8.9
With Any Private Insurance	217,812	67.4	217,623	67.5
With Any Public Insurance	114,315	35.4	114,750	35.6
Uninsured Working Age, 19-64 Year Olds	24,852	12.9	24,109	12.5
Uninsured Children Under Age 19	4,375	5.7	4,055	5.2

Mean Household Income*** In 2019 dollars	2019	1999	Percent change
Lowest Quintile	\$15,286	\$15,262	+1.6%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quintile	\$40,652	\$37,473	+8.5%
Top 5%	\$451,122	\$361,842	+25%



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All Poor*** (Numbers in 1,000's)	2019 Number		2019 Percent		2018 Number		2018 Percent	
	SPM	CPS	SPM	CPS	SPM	CPS	SPM	CPS
All Below 100% Poverty Line	38,163	33,984	11.7	10.5	41,420	38,146	12.8	11.8
All Below 200% Poverty Line	n/a	85,460	n/a	26.3	n/a	93,594	n/a	28.9
Children in Poverty	9,119	10,466	12.5	14.4	10,096	11,869	13.7	16.2
Children below 50% Poverty Line	n/a	4,501	3.4	6.2	n/a	5,042	3.3	6.9
Poor Families with Children with at Least 1 Worker <sup>2</sup>	n/a	2,962	n/a	8.5	n/a	3,365	n/a	9.5
All Poor Blacks	7,907	8,073	18.3	18.8	8,727	8,884	20.4	20.8
Poor Black Children	n/a	2,865	n/a	26.4	n/a	3,273	n/a	29.5
All Poor Hispanics	11,464	9,545	18.9	15.7	12,216	10,526	20.3	17.6
Poor Hispanic Children	n/a	3,888	n/a	20.9	n/a	4,436	n/a	23.7
All Poor Asians	2,327	1,464	11.7	7.3	2,749	1,996	13.9	10.1
Poor Asian Children	n/a	286	n/a	7.3	n/a	453	n/a	11.3
All Poor Whites (Not Hispanic)	15,914	14,152	8.2	7.3	16,932	15,725	8.7	8.1
Poor White Children (Not Hispanic)	n/a	3,030	n/a	8.3	n/a	3,265	n/a	8.9
Poor Families with Children Headed by Women	n/a	2,703	n/a	30.7	n/a	3,095	n/a	33.8
Average Amount Below the Poverty Line, Income for all Poor Families	n/a	\$10,668	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$10,452	n/a	n/a
Poor with Disability, 18-64	3,107	3,252	21.5	22.5	3,609	3,818	24.3	25.7

Note: SPM = Supplemental Poverty Measure; CPS = Current Population Survey

**Additional Notes:**

- Refundable tax credits include the portion of the Child Tax Credit and Earned Income Tax Credit available to low-income families that is in excess of their income tax liability.
- Row reads: 8.5% of families with children with at least one worker are poor.

Weighted Average Poverty Thresholds in 2019 by Size of Family Unit <sup>^</sup>	
One Person	\$13,011
Two People	\$16,521
Three People	\$20,335
Four People	\$26,172

Source:

+ U.S. Census Bureau, Household Pulse Survey, Conducted August 19-31, 2020; released September 9, 2020.

\* U.S. Census Bureau, The Supplemental Poverty Measure: 2019; released September 15, 2020.

\*\* U.S. Census Bureau, Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2019, American Community Survey, released September 15, 2020.

\*\*\* U.S. Census Bureau, Income and Poverty in the United States: 2019, Current Population Survey; The Supplemental Poverty Measure: 2019; released September 15, 2020.

<sup>^</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, Income and Poverty in the United States: 2019; released September 15, 2020.