ALICE IN CAMBRIA COUNTY

2021 Point-in-Time Data



Population: 132,167 • Number of Households: 55,283 (-2% change from 2019)

Median Household Income: \$52,995 (state average: \$68,957) Labor Force Participation Rate: 53.4% (state average: 62.4%)

ALICE Households: 33% (state average: 27%) • Households in Poverty: 13% (state average: 12%)

Financial Hardship Changes Over Time

ALICE is an acronym for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed — households that earn more than the Federal Poverty Level, but less than the basic cost of living for the county (the ALICE Threshold). Households below the ALICE Threshold — ALICE households plus those in poverty — can't afford the essentials.

As circumstances change, households may find themselves below or above the ALICE Threshold at different times. While the COVID-19 pandemic brought employment shifts, health struggles, and school/business closures in 2021, it also spurred unprecedented public assistance through pandemic relief measures. In 2019, 22,120 households in Cambria County were below the ALICE Threshold; in 2021 this number changed to 25,406, (a 15% change).

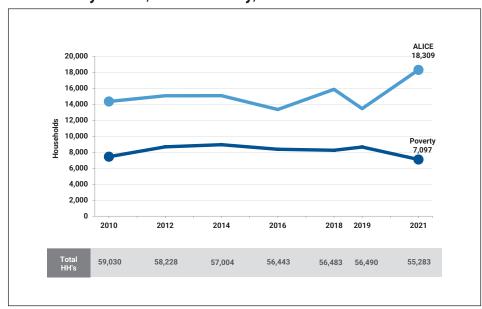
The Cost of Basics Outpaces Wages

The Household Survival Budget reflects the minimum cost to live and work in the modern economy and includes housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, a smartphone plan, and taxes. It does not include savings for emergencies or future goals like college or retirement. The Household Survival Budget is calculated at the county level and varies by household composition, as costs can vary greatly depending on location and household needs.

In 2021, household costs in Cambria County were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$12,880 for a single adult and \$26,500 for a family of four.

To see costs for different household compositions in Cambria County, visit UnitedForALICE.org/Household-Budgets/Pennsylvania

Households by Income, Cambria County, 2010-2021



Note: See an interactive version of this data at <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Pennsylvania</u> Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2010–2021; American Community Survey, 2010–2021

Household Survival Budget, Cambria County, 2021				
	SINGLE ADULT	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 Preschooler		
Monthly Costs and Credits				
Housing - Rent	\$370	\$432		
Housing - Utilities	\$154	\$292		
Child Care	-	\$1,078		
Food	\$416	\$1,136		
Transportation	\$330	\$806		
Health Care	\$223	\$885		
Technology	\$75	\$110		
Miscellaneous	\$157	\$474		
Tax Payments	\$254	\$903		
Tax Credits	\$0	-\$1,139		
Monthly Total	\$1,979	\$4,977		
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$23,748	\$59,724		
Hourly Wage*	\$11.87	\$29.86		

^{*}Wage working full-time required to support this budget

For ALICE Survival Budget sources, visit <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Methodology</u>

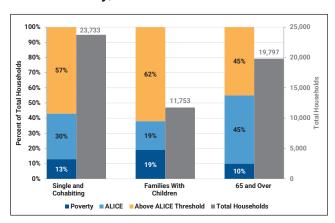
Financial Hardship is Not Evenly Distributed

Groups with the largest number of households below the ALICE Threshold tend to also be the largest demographic groups. However, when looking at the percentage of each group that is below the ALICE Threshold, some groups are more likely to be ALICE than others.

By addressing the disparities in financial hardship by county demographics, community members can move toward more equitable solutions.

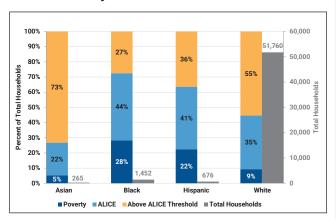
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Household Financial Status by Household Type, Cambria County, 2021



Source: ALICE Threshold, 2021; American Community Survey, 2021

Household Financial Status by Race/Ethnicity, Cambria County, 2021



Note: All racial categories are for one race alone. Race and ethnicity are overlapping categories; the Asian and Black groups may include Hispanic households. The White group includes only White, non-Hispanic households. The Hispanic group may include households of any race. Source: ALICE Threshold, 2021; American Community Survey, 2021

Cambria County, 2021				
Town	Total Households	% ALICE & Poverty		
Adams township	2,355	35%		
Allegheny township	585	27%		
Barr township	763	39%		
Blacklick township	809	51%		
Brownstown borough	306	55%		
Cambria township	2,068	33%		
Carrolltown borough	344	42%		
Chest township	149	36%		
Clearfield township	602	27%		
Conemaugh township	811	43%		
Cresson borough	730	49%		
Cresson township	1,096	40%		
Croyle township	967	46%		

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1,411

761

1,111

1,384

621

4.762

290

Daisytown borough

East Carroll township

East Taylor township

Ebensburg borough

Elder township

Ferndale borough

Franklin borough

Gallitzin borough

Gallitzin township

Geistown borough

Hastings borough

Jackson township

Johnstown city

Lorain borough

Lower Yoder township

Middle Taylor township

Munster township

Nanty-Glo borough

Northern Cambria

Patton borough

Portage borough

Portage township

Reade township

Richland township

Sankertown borough

Scalp Level borough
South Fork borough

borough

Lilly borough

Dale borough

Dean township

East Conemaugh

borough

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63%

Cambria County, 2021				
Town	Total HH	% ALICE & Poverty		
Southmont borough	1,007	39%		
Stonycreek township	1,304	40%		
Summerhill borough	218	28%		
Summerhill township	792	47%		
Susquehanna township	666	52%		
Upper Yoder township	2,051	39%		
Vintondale borough	190	64%		
Washington township	362	39%		
West Carroll township	485	48%		
Westmont borough	2,020	33%		
West Taylor township	313	43%		
White township	329	43%		
Wilmore borough	117	46%		

Note: Municipal-level data on this page is 5-year averages for Census County Subdivisions. Totals not match county-level numbers because data is not available for the smallest County Subdivision and county-level data is often 1-year estimates.	

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