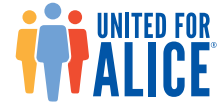


ALICE IN MONTCALM COUNTY



2022 Point-in-Time Data

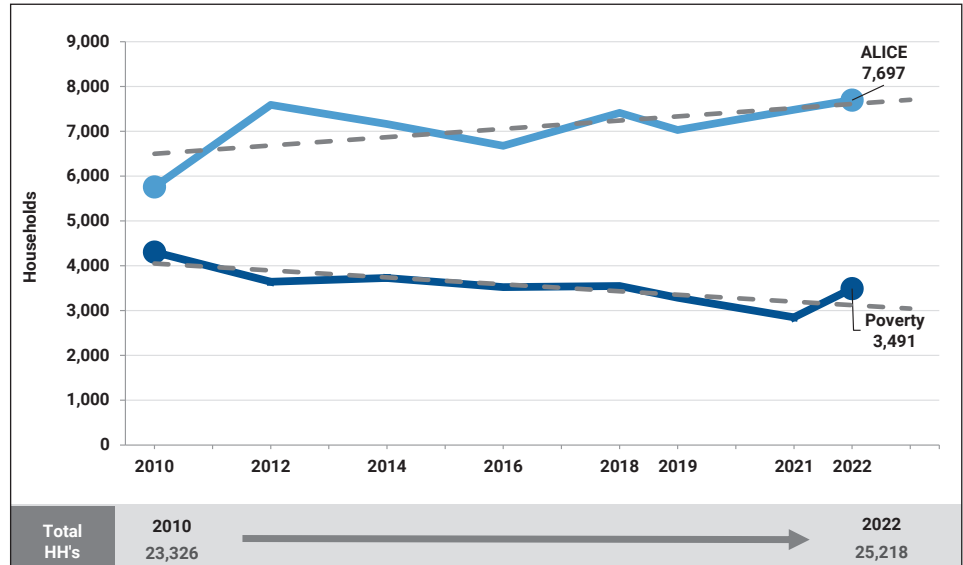
Population: 67,433 • **Number of Households:** 25,218
Median Household Income: \$61,967 (state average: \$66,986)
Labor Force Participation Rate: 54.4% (state average: 61.6%)
ALICE Households: 31% (state average: 28%) • **Households in Poverty:** 14% (state average: 13%)

Financial Hardship Over Time

ALICE is an acronym for **A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mloyed – 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.

Households move below or above the ALICE Threshold as economic factors and circumstances change. This was especially true amid the economic crosscurrents of the COVID-19 pandemic, with higher wages, inflation, and additional pandemic assistance. By 2022, 11,188 households (44%) were below the ALICE Threshold in Montcalm County.

Households by Income, Montcalm County, 2010–2022



Note: See an interactive version of this data at UnitedForALICE.org/Michigan

Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2010–2022; American Community Survey, 2010–2022

The Cost of Basics Outpaces Wages

The Household Survival Budget reflects the minimum cost to live and work in the current economy and includes housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, technology, 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 by household composition, as costs can vary greatly depending on location and household needs.

In 2022, household costs in Montcalm County were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$13,590 for a single adult and \$27,750 for a family of four.

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

Household Survival Budget, Montcalm County, 2022

	SINGLE ADULT	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 PRESCHOOLER
Monthly Costs and Credits		
Housing – Rent	\$445	\$472
Housing – Utilities	\$163	\$310
Child Care	–	\$1,008
Food	\$422	\$1,150
Transportation	\$462	\$1,113
Health Care	\$174	\$601
Technology	\$86	\$116
Miscellaneous	\$175	\$477
Tax Payments	\$319	\$970
Tax Credits	\$0	-\$433
Monthly Total	\$2,246	\$5,784
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$26,952	\$69,408
Hourly Wage*	\$13.48	\$34.70

*Wage working full-time required to support this budget

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

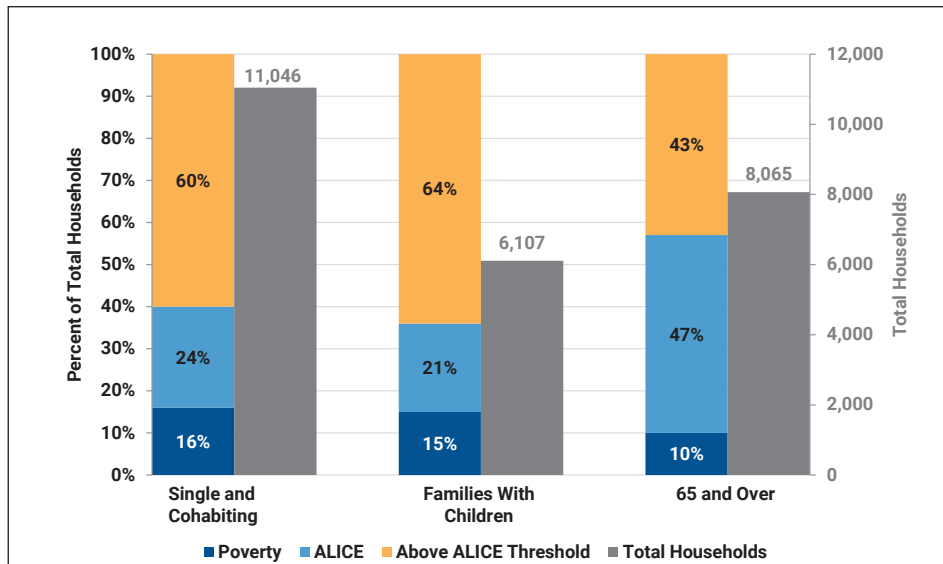
Financial Hardship is Not Evenly Distributed

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.

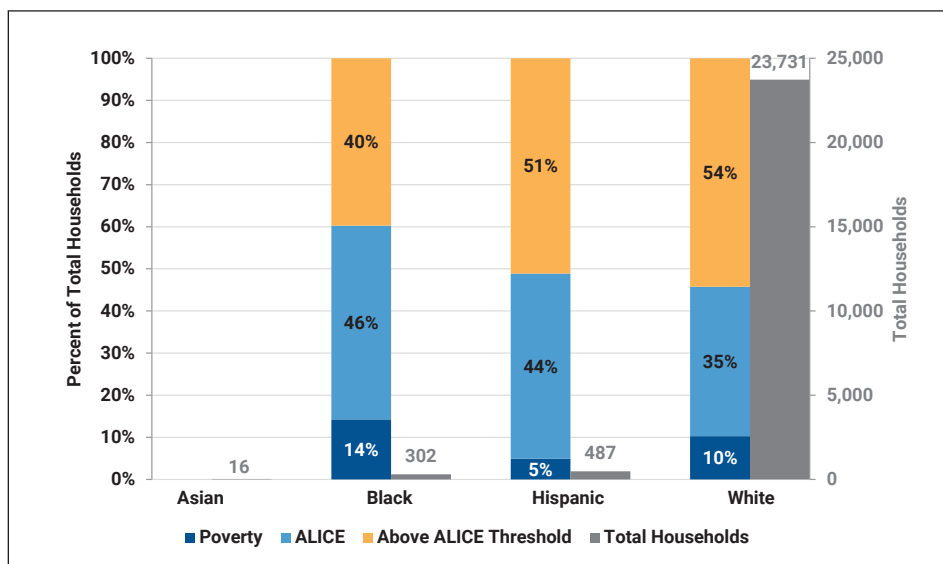
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Household Financial Status by Household Type, Montcalm County, 2022



Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2022; American Community Survey, 2022

Household Financial Status by Race/Ethnicity, Montcalm County, 2022



Note: Asian, Black, and White racial categories are for one race alone. Race and Hispanic ethnicity are overlapping categories. The Asian and Black groups may include Hispanic households; the White group includes only White, non-Hispanic households. The Hispanic ethnic group may include households of any race.

Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2022; American Community Survey, 2022

Montcalm County, 2022		
Town	Total Households	% ALICE & Poverty
Belvidere township	765	44%
Bloomer township	1,217	38%
Bushnell township	470	40%
Carson City city	450	61%
Cato township	1,028	44%
Crystal township	1,007	47%
Day township	433	50%
Douglass township	1,016	48%
Eureka township	1,417	28%
Evergreen township	1,011	44%
Fairplain township	730	47%
Ferris township	462	44%
Greenville city	3,593	53%
Home township	1,061	51%
Maple Valley township	784	40%
Montcalm township	1,244	45%
Pierson township	1,209	37%
Pine township	645	33%
Reynolds township	2,011	41%
Richland township	958	51%
Sidney township	1,082	45%
Stanton city	495	60%
Winfield township	896	27%

Note: Municipal-level data on this page is 5-year averages for Census County Subdivisions. Data for counties with populations over 65,000 is 1-year estimates. Geographies with fewer than 100 households are not included. Therefore, totals will not match the county-level numbers.