

Population: 1,526,344

Number of Households: 511,951 (2% change from 2019)

Median Household Income: \$113,683 (state average: \$74,314)

Labor Force Participation Rate: 66% (state average: 63%)

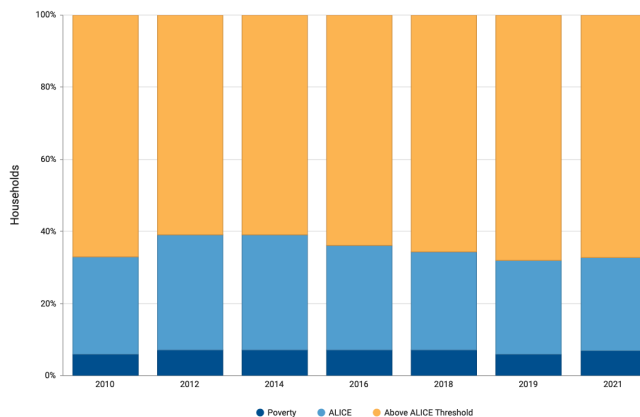
ALICE Households: 26% (state average 30%) • **Households in Poverty:** 7% (state average 14%)



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. While conditions have improved for some households, many continue to struggle, especially as wages fail to keep pace with the rising cost of household essentials (housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, and a basic smartphone plan). Households below the **ALICE** Threshold – **ALICE** households plus those in poverty – can't afford the essentials.

Financial Hardship Has Changed Over Time in Suffolk County

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, 158,483 households in Suffolk County were below the **ALICE** Threshold; by 2021 that number had changed to 166,268. Use the buttons below to switch between **ALICE** data over time by number and percentage.



Monthly Costs and Credits	Single Adult	One Adult, One Child	One Adult, One In Child Care	Two Adults	Two Adults Two Children	Two Adults, Two In Child Care	Single Senior	Two Seniors
Housing - Rent	\$1,189	\$1,420	\$1,420	\$1,420	\$1,743	\$1,743	\$1,189	\$1,420
Housing - Utilities	\$154	\$239	\$239	\$239	\$292	\$292	\$154	\$239
Child Care	\$0	\$475	\$1,267	\$0	\$950	\$2,725	\$0	\$0
Food	\$512	\$868	\$779	\$938	\$1,529	\$1,395	\$472	\$866
Transportation	\$358	\$456	\$456	\$535	\$835	\$835	\$311	\$441
Health Care	\$226	\$522	\$522	\$522	\$784	\$784	\$602	\$1,203
Technology	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$110	\$110	\$110	\$75	\$110
Miscellaneous	\$251	\$406	\$476	\$376	\$624	\$788	\$280	\$428
Tax Payments	\$509	\$878	\$1,078	\$661	\$1,362	\$1,826	\$592	\$1,044
Tax Credits	\$0	(\$713)	(\$932)	\$0	(\$1,590)	(\$1,865)	\$0	\$0
Monthly Total	\$3,274	\$4,626	\$5,380	\$4,801	\$6,639	\$8,633	\$3,675	\$5,751
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$39,288	\$55,512	\$64,560	\$57,612	\$79,668	\$103,596	\$44,100	\$69,012
Hourly Wage	\$19.64	\$27.76	\$32.28	\$28.81	\$39.83	\$51.80	\$22.05	\$34.51

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

Household Survival Budget, Suffolk County 2021



Town	Total HH	% ALICE +Poverty	Town	Total HH	% ALICE +Poverty	Town	Total HH	% ALICE +Poverty	Town	Total HH	% ALICE +Poverty	Town	Total HH	% ALICE +Poverty
Amagansett, CDP	323	14	East Hampton North, CDP	1,958	28	Islip, CDP	6,150	30	North Sea, CDP	2,226	19	Shoreham Village	174	24
Amityville Village	3,723	39	East Hampton Village	588	42	Islip Terrace, CDP	1,742	23	Northampton, CDP	341	40	Smithtown, CDP	8,626	23
Aqueboque, CDP	700	30	East Islip, CDP	4,589	27	Jamesport, CDP	718	38	Northport Village	2,966	34	Sound Beach, CDP	2,544	35
Asharoken Village	291	28	East Marion, CDP	629	46	Kings Park, CDP	6,188	37	Northville, CDP	667	22	South Huntington, CDP	3,441	28
Babylon Village	4,675	30	East Moriches, CDP	1,871	29	Lake Grove Village	3,686	33	Northwest Harbor, CDP	2,272	32	Southampton Village	1,660	26
Baiting Hollow, CDP	1,193	30	East Northport, CDP	7,208	25	Lake Ronkonkoma, CDP	6,435	42	Noyack, CDP	1,795	43	Southold, CDP	2,711	39
Bay Shore, CDP	9,517	40	East Patchogue, CDP	8,106	38	Laurel, CDP	415	37	Oakdale, CDP	2,717	35	Springs, CDP	3,458	37
Bayport, CDP	3,358	31	East Quogue, CDP	2,048	38	Lindenhurst Village	8,514	35	Old Field Village	355	14	St. James, CDP	4,927	27
Baywood, CDP	1,946	31	East Setauket, CDP	3,571	25	Lloyd Harbor Village	1,179	15	Orient, CDP	521	48	Stony Brook, CDP	4,335	20
Belle Terre Village	282	23	East Shoreham, CDP	2,068	18	Manorville, CDP	4,661	39	Patchogue Village	5,159	38	Terryville, CDP	3,685	32
Bellport Village	924	30	Eastport, CDP	656	26	Mastic Beach, CDP	4,916	44	Peconic, CDP	320	50	Tuckahoe, CDP	561	69
Blue Point, CDP	1,968	36	Eatons Neck, CDP	439	14	Mastic, CDP	4,354	37	Poquott Village	394	16	Village of the Branch	548	21
Bohemia, CDP	3,386	31	Elwood, CDP	3,645	21	Mattituck, CDP	2,028	33	Port Jefferson Sta., CDP	2,579	33	Wading River, CDP	3,183	30
Brentwood, CDP	14,762	34	Farmingville, CDP	4,744	21	Medford, CDP	8,061	38	Port Jefferson Village	3,059	28	Wainwright, CDP	231	31
Bridghampton, CDP	525	31	Flanders, CDP	1,919	45	Melville, CDP	7,159	36	Quogue, CDP	286	45	Water Mill, CDP	983	31
Brightwaters Village	1,023	18	Fort Salonga, CDP	3,390	21	Middle Island, CDP	4,513	46	Quogue Village	370	36	West Babylon, CDP	13,846	29
Brookhaven, CDP	1,128	43	Gordon Heights, CDP	1,176	37	Miller Place, CDP	3,967	30	Remsenburg-Speonk, CDP	881	35	West Bay Shore, CDP	1,658	26
Calverton, CDP	2,864	68	Great River, CDP	837	25	Montauk, CDP	1,571	25	Ridge, CDP	5,751	50	West Hills, CDP	1,883	23
Captree, CDP	229	77	Greenlawn, CDP	4,556	33	Moriches, CDP	1,326	61	Riverhead, CDP	5,062	58	West Islip CDP	8,607	22
Center Moriches, CDP	2,844	29	Greenport Village	1,168	58	Mount Sinai, CDP	3,748	27	Riverside, CDP	710	59	West Sayville, CDP	1,702	27
Centereach, CDP	9,749	30	Greenport West, CDP	1,063	50	Nesconset, CDP	4,485	22	Rocky Point, CDP	4,842	33	Westhampton Beach Vil.	955	29
Centerport, CDP	2,168	17	Halesite, CDP	1,029	12	New Suffolk, CDP	148	45	Ronkonkoma, CDP	6,150	30	Westhampton, CDP	1,193	28
Central Islip, CDP	9,331	42	Hampton Bays, CDP	6,177	37	Nissequogue Village	576	18	Sag Harbor Village	1,095	36	Wheatley Heights, CDP	1,466	33
Cold Spring Harbor, CDP	958	13	Hauppauge, CDP	6,734	27	North Amityville, CDP	5,620	45	Sagaponack Village	121	44	Wyandanch, CDP	3,685	50
Commack, CDP	11,583	21	Head of the Harbor Village	492	13	North Babylon, CDP	5,864	34	Sayville, CDP	5,706	27	Yaphank, CDP	2,369	35
Copiague, CDP	7,027	37	Holbrook, CDP	8,946	27	North Bay Shore, CDP	4,416	42	Seiden, CDP	6,772	38			
Coram, CDP	15,173	42	Holtsville, CDP	6,474	29	North Bellport, CDP	3,183	43	Setauket, CDP	1,429	19			
Cutchogue, CDP	1,227	34	Huntington Bay Village	694	14	North Great River, CDP	1,235	31	Shelter Island, CDP	1,084	23			
Deer Park, CDP	8,701	31	Huntington, CDP	7,791	28	North Haven Village	380	26	Shelter Is. Heights, CDP	699	53			
Dix Hills, CDP	7,765	21	Huntington Station, CDP	10,925	37	North Lindenhurst, CDP	3,678	30	Shinnecock Hills, CDP	763	29			
East Farmingdale, CDP	1,928	37	Islandia, Village	1,151	37	North Patchogue, CDP	2,376	31	Shirley, CDP	8,168	38			