

# Breaking Ground for Success

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- EARLY CHILDHOOD POVERTY

The groundwork for a child's healthy development is laid during the brain's rapid growth throughout pregnancy. To ensure babies are healthy, we have to support mothers with timely and frequent, high-quality prenatal care. In Ohio, many babies are born prematurely and too many do not make it to their first birthday. Poverty disproportionately impacts young children and families of color, making it even more difficult to overcome adversity and maintain healthy development. Empowering parents and caregivers to support their baby's development through health and educational interventions allows Ohio to ensure that babies are positioned to thrive during their first year and beyond. Ohio must do a better job of reaching our most at-risk babies and families early.



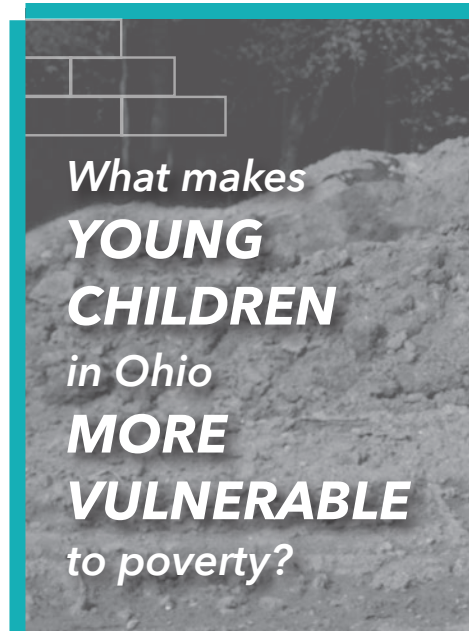
# Early Childhood Poverty

## What does living at 100% of the federal poverty level (FPL) mean?

For a family of three, it means making an annual gross income of \$20,160.



**1 in 5**  
OHIO CHILDREN  
LIVE IN POVERTY.



**Children under 6 are the most vulnerable to poverty with 26.4% of 0-5 year olds living at or below 100% FPL.**

## 2016 Federal Poverty Guidelines:

<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Gross Annual Income</u>	<u>Gross Monthly Income</u>	<u>Approx Hourly Wage</u>
1	\$11,880	\$990	\$5.71
2	\$16,020	\$1,335	\$7.70
3	\$20,160	\$1,680	\$9.69
4	\$24,300	\$2,025	\$11.68
5	\$28,440	\$2,370	\$13.67
6	\$32,580	\$2,715	\$15.66
7	\$36,730	\$3,061	\$17.66
8	\$40,890	\$3,408	\$19.66
<b>OVER 8, add per person</b>	<b>\$4,160</b>	<b>\$347</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>

Data source: U.S. Census 2016 American Community Survey B-17020

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For Ohio as a whole, as well as for all the selected regions, white and Asian children have significantly lower instances of poverty than do black, Hispanic and other minority children.

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Poverty rates for the Appalachian Region of Ohio are higher than statewide poverty rates even for white children who fare better than their racial and ethnic minority peers. What factors contribute to these higher poverty rates, especially among children?

There are far less children of color in the Appalachian Region compared to the entire state, however, these children are still more likely to experience poverty than their white peers. Why may this be?

## STATE OF OHIO

2016 Childhood Poverty by Race & Ethnicity

Race & Ethnicity	0-5 Age Below Poverty	0-5 Age Above Poverty	TOTAL 0-5 Age Children	% 0-5 Total Population	% 0-5 Below Poverty
Black	67,871	57,959	125,830	14.9%	53.9%
White	105,470	474,545	580,015	68.7%	18.2%
Asian	1,790	13,963	15,753	1.9%	11.4%
Multiracial/Other	27,197	43,373	70,570	8.3%	38.5%
Hispanic	20,404	31,908	52,312	6.2%	39.0%
All 0-5 Age	222,732	621,748	844,480	100%	26.4%

## Appalachian Region

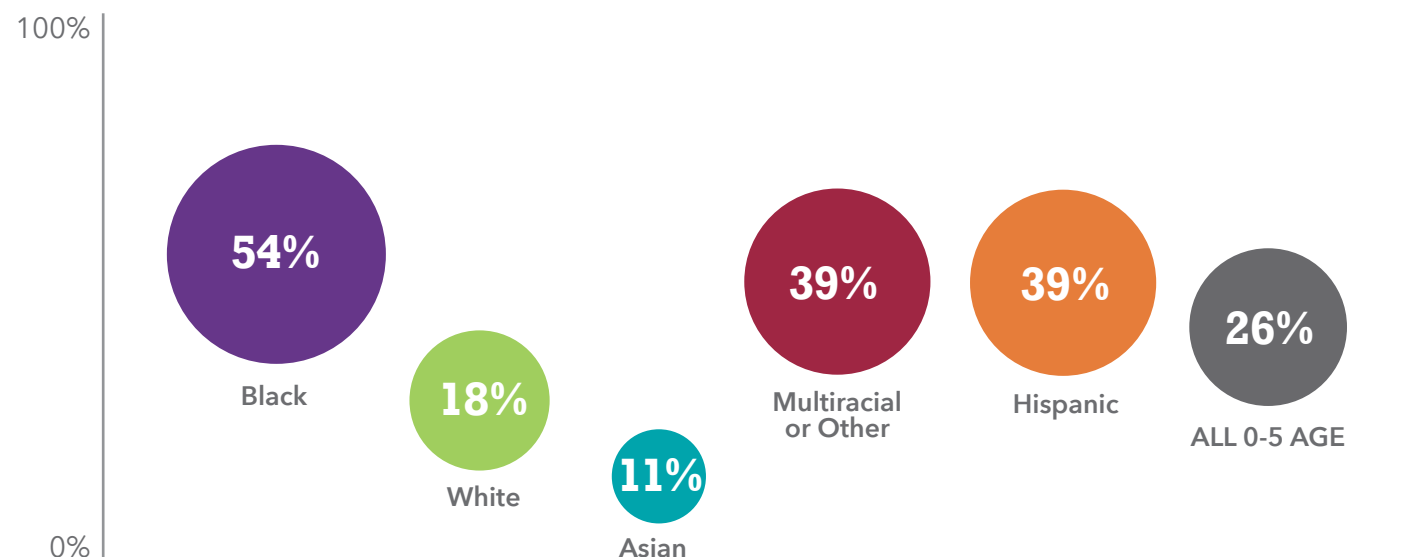
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Race & Ethnicity	0-5 Age Below Poverty	0-5 Age Above Poverty	TOTAL 0-5 Age Children	% 0-5 Total Population	% 0-5 Below Poverty
Black	4,473	1,814	6,287	4.7%	71.1%
White	30,334	85,646	115,980	86.3%	26.2%
Asian	93	531	624	.5%	14.9%
Multiracial/Other	3,789	3,434	7,223	5.4%	52.5%
Hispanic	2,011	2,184	4,195	3.1%	47.9%
All 0-5 Age	40,700	93,609	134,309	100%	30.3%

Note: There are a total of 6,287 black children under the age of 6 living in Ohio's Appalachian Region spanning 32 counties. 48% of black children 0-5 years old living in the Appalachian Region reside in Mahoning County and 22.6% reside in the neighboring Trumbull County. The remaining 29% of black children under 6 reside among the 30 other Appalachian counties.

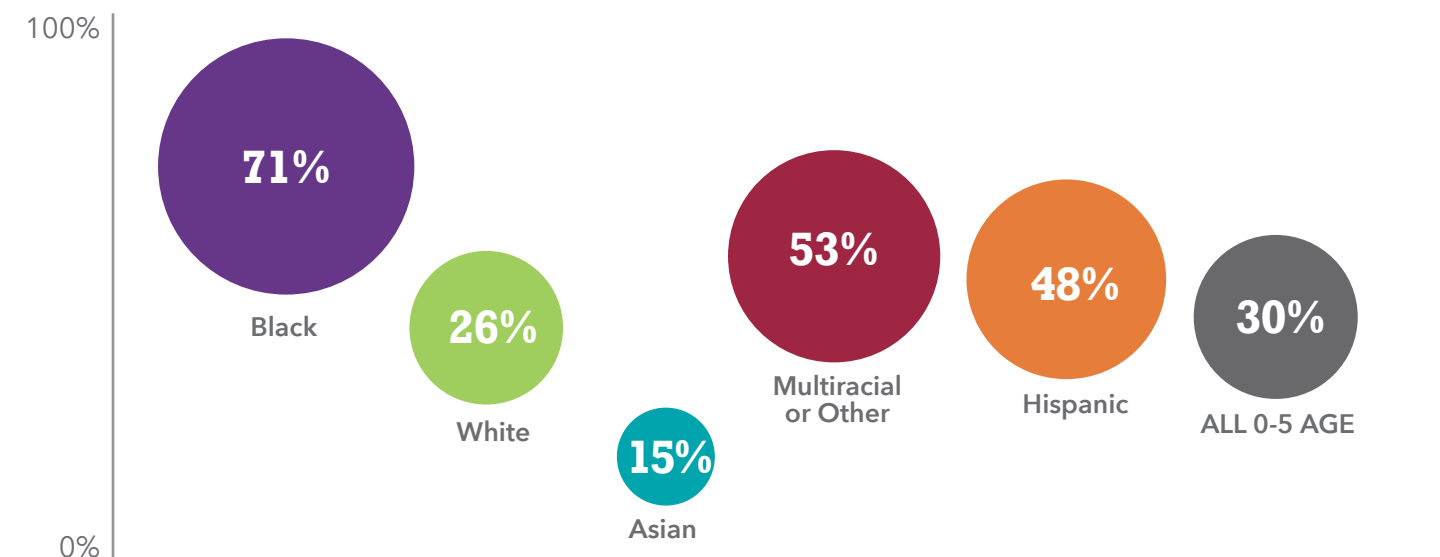
## STATE OF OHIO

2016 % EARLY Childhood Poverty by Race & Ethnicity  
0-5 Year Olds BELOW Poverty Level:



## Appalachian Region

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2016 Childhood Poverty by Race & Ethnicity

## Cuyahoga County

Race & Ethnicity	0-5 Age Below Poverty	0-5 Age Above Poverty	TOTAL 0-5 Age Children	% 0-5 Total Population	% 0-5 Below Poverty
Black	16,574	15,049	31,623	35.2%	52.4%
White	4,974	35,500	40,474	45%	12.3%
Asian	225	1,865	2,090	2.3%	10.8%
Multiracial/Other	2,961	5,550	8,511	9.5%	34.8%
Hispanic	2,980	4,236	7,216	8.0%	41.3%
All 0-5 Age	27,714	62,200	89,914	100%	30.8%

## Franklin County

Race & Ethnicity	0-5 Age Below Poverty	0-5 Age Above Poverty	TOTAL 0-5 Age Children	% 0-5 Total Population	% 0-5 Below Poverty
Black	14,778	14,010	28,788	26.8%	51.3%
White	7,048	45,856	52,904	49.2%	13.3%
Asian	531	4,120	4,651	4.3%	11.4%
Multiracial/Other	3,539	7,740	11,279	10.5%	31.4%
Hispanic	3,806	6,127	9,933	9.2%	38.3%
All 0-5 Age	29,702	77,853	107,555	100%	27.6%

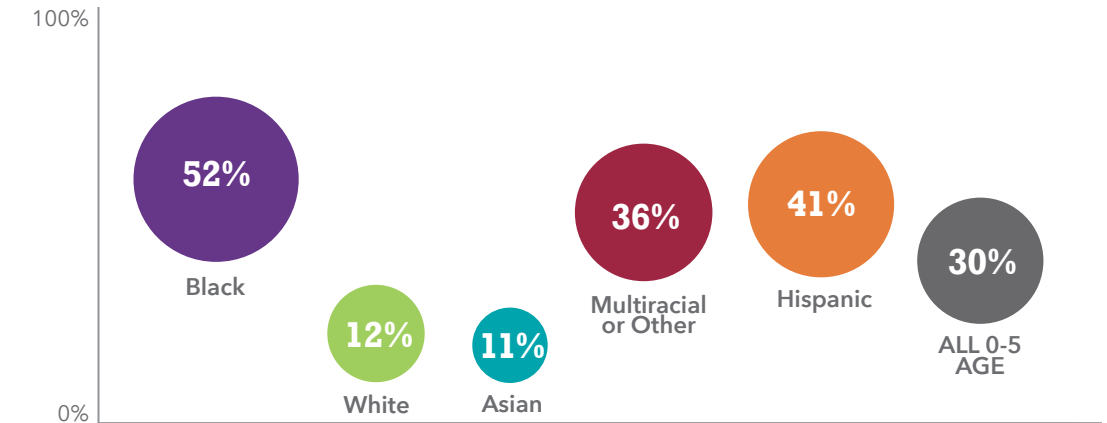
## Hamilton County

Race & Ethnicity	0-5 Age Below Poverty	0-5 Age Above Poverty	TOTAL 0-5 Age Children	% 0-5 Total Population	% 0-5 Below Poverty
Black	10,795	9,108	19,903	30.8%	54.2%
White	4,789	28,466	33,255	51.4%	14.4%
Asian	134	1,338	1,472	2.3%	9.1%
Multiracial/Other	1,974	4,059	6,033	9.3%	32.7%
Hispanic	1,548	2,503	4,051	6.3%	38.2%
All 0-5 Age	19,240	45,474	64,714	100%	29.7%

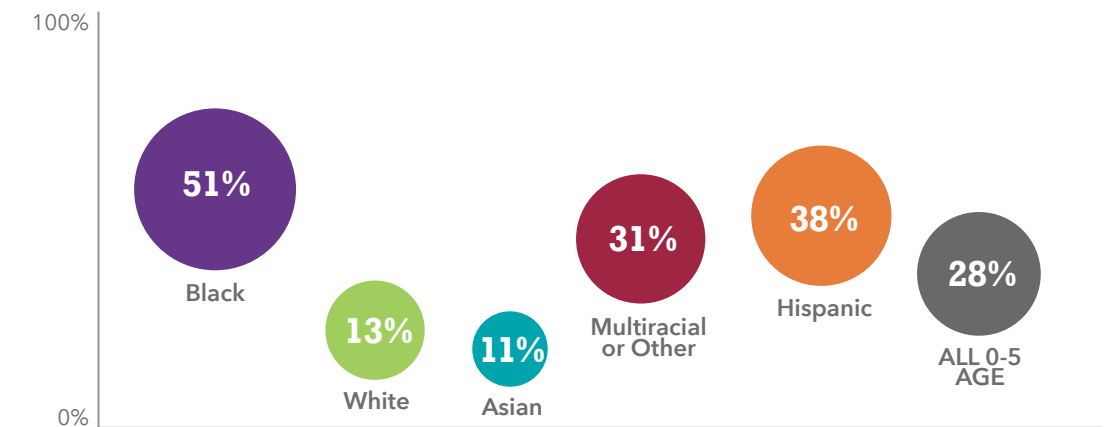
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2016 % **EARLY** Childhood Poverty by Race & Ethnicity  
0-5 Year Olds **BELOW** Poverty Level:

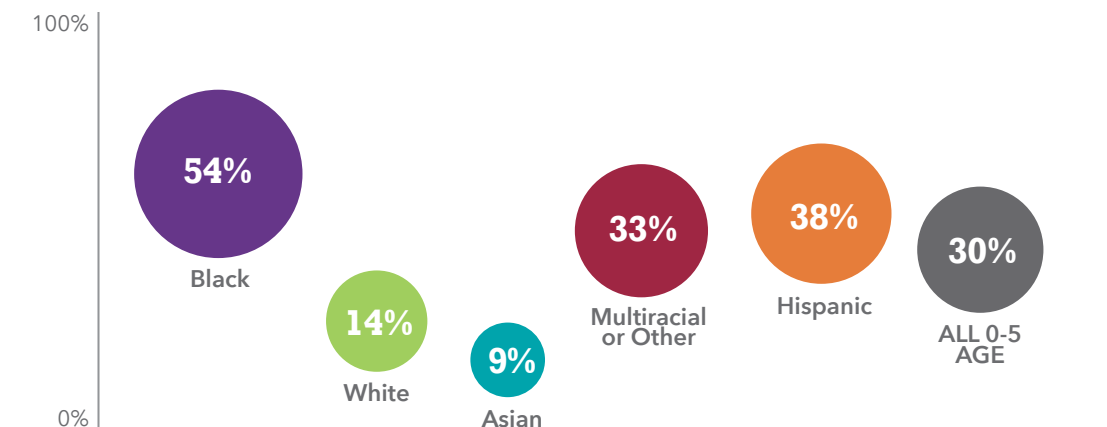
## Cuyahoga County



## Franklin County



## Hamilton County



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## 2016 Childhood Poverty by Race & Ethnicity

### Montgomery County

Race & Ethnicity	0-5 Age Below Poverty	0-5 Age Above Poverty	TOTAL 0-5 Age Children	% 0-5 Total Population	% 0-5 Below Poverty
Black	5,513	3,399	8,912	22.6%	61.9%
White	4,852	19,003	23,855	60.4%	20.3%
Asian	122	392	514	1.3%	23.7%
Multiracial/Other	1,913	2,402	4,315	10.9%	44.3%
Hispanic	890	1,011	1,901	4.8%	46.8%
All 0-5 Age	13,290	26,207	39,497	100%	33.6%

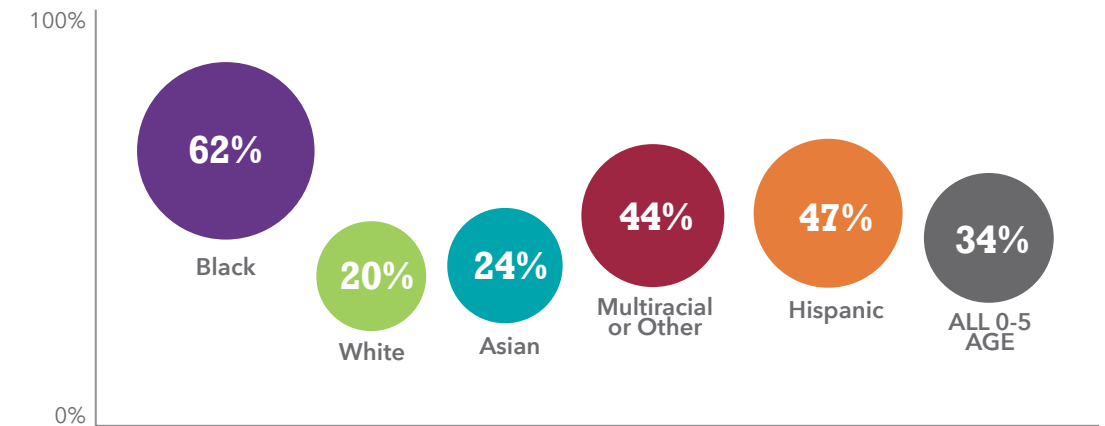
### Summit County

Race & Ethnicity	0-5 Age Below Poverty	0-5 Age Above Poverty	TOTAL 0-5 Age Children	% 0-5 Total Population	% 0-5 Below Poverty
Black	3,467	3,401	6,868	18.7%	50.5%
White	3,201	21,175	24,376	66.4%	13.1%
Asian	189	973	1,162	3.2%	16.3%
Multiracial/Other	981	2,146	3,127	8.5%	31.4%
Hispanic	391	803	1,194	3.3%	32.7%
All 0-5 Age	8,229	28,498	36,727	100%	22.4%

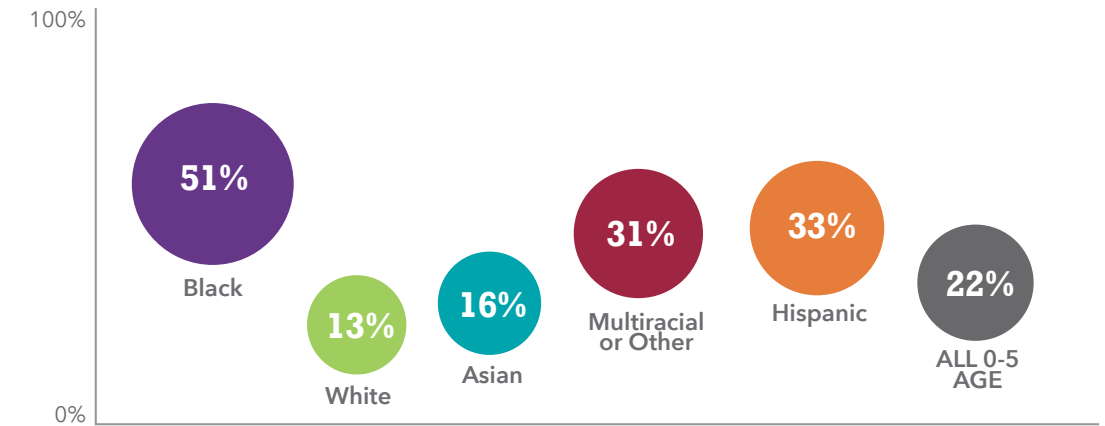
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### Montgomery County



### Summit County



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### SOURCES

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### DATA SOURCES

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