

ALICE IN HARNETT COUNTY



2022 Point-in-Time Data

Population: 138,832 • **Number of Households:** 50,584

Median Household Income: \$65,778 (state average: \$67,481)

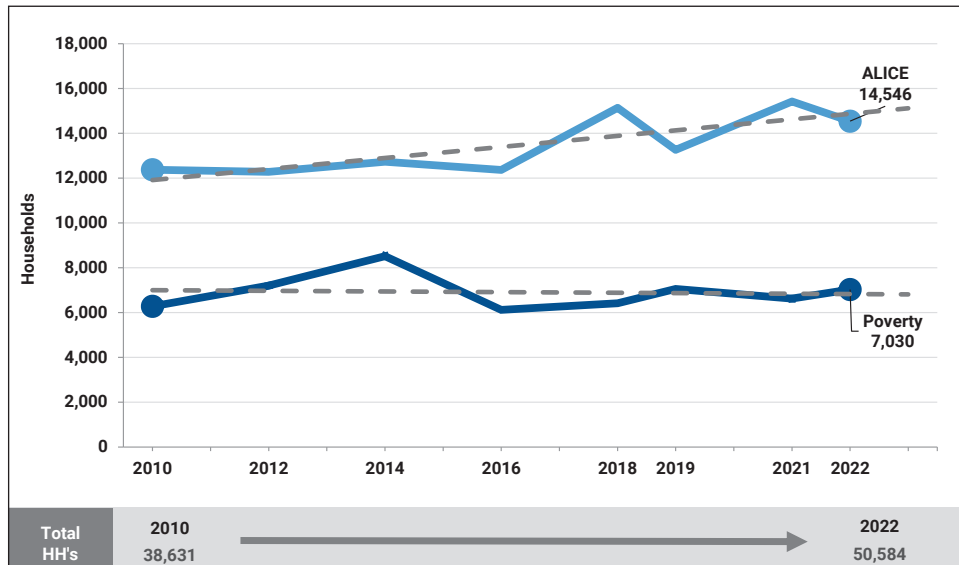
Labor Force Participation Rate: 59.4% (state average: 62.8%)

ALICE Households: 29% (state average: 31%) • **Households in Poverty:** 14% (state average: 13%)

Trends in Financial Hardship Households by Income, Harnett County, 2010–2022

ALICE is an acronym for **A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mployed — 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, 21,576 households (43%) were below the ALICE Threshold in Harnett County.



Note: See an interactive version of this data at UnitedForALICE.org/North-Carolina

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 Harnett 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 Harnett County, visit UnitedForALICE.org/Household-Budgets/North-Carolina

Household Survival Budget, Harnett County, 2022

	SINGLE ADULT	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 PRESCHOOLER
Monthly Costs and Credits		
Housing (Rent + Utilities)	\$646	\$856
Child Care	–	\$1,444
Food	\$450	\$1,227
Transportation	\$399	\$1,049
Health Care	\$196	\$805
Technology	\$86	\$116
Miscellaneous	\$178	\$550
Tax Payments	\$298	\$1,128
Tax Credits	\$0	-\$450
Monthly Total	\$2,253	\$6,725
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$27,036	\$80,700
Hourly Wage*	\$13.52	\$40.35

*Wage working full-time required to support this budget

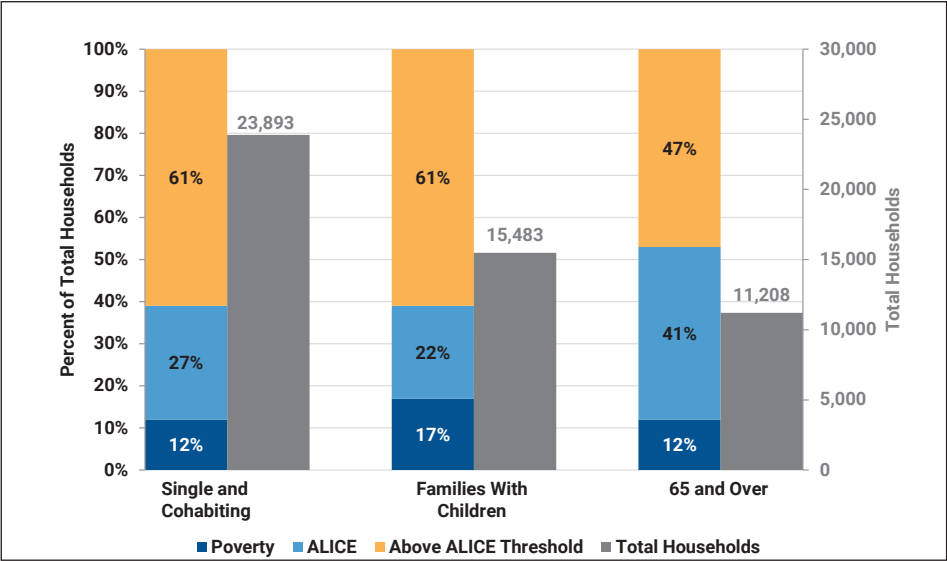
For ALICE Survival Budget sources, visit UnitedForALICE.org/Methodology

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.

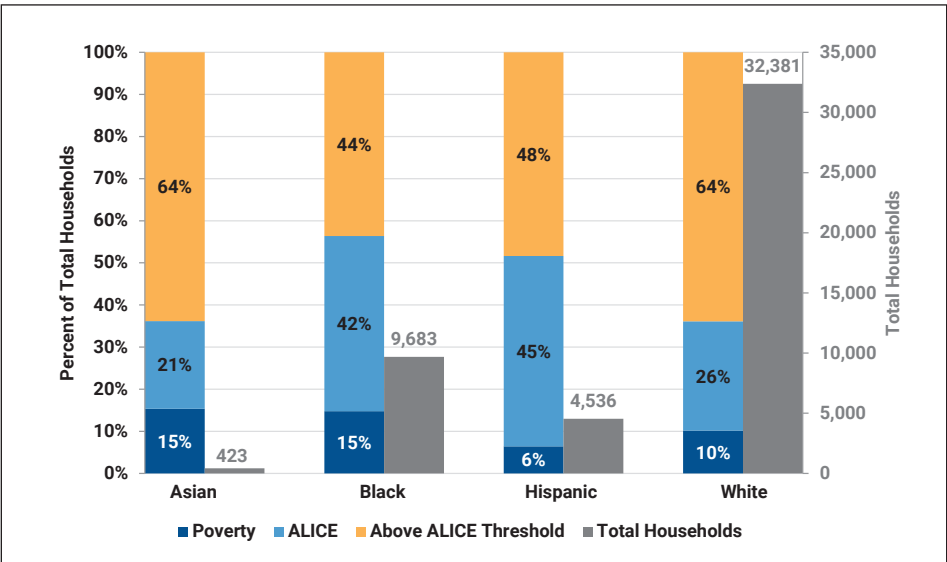
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Household Financial Status by Household Type, Harnett County, 2022



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

Household Financial Status by Race/Ethnicity, Harnett 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

Harnett County, 2022		
Town	Total Households	% ALICE & Poverty
Anderson Creek CDP	4,606	38%
Anderson Creek township	7,439	39%
Angier town	2,386	49%
Averasboro township	5,052	60%
Barbecue township	6,440	33%
Black River township	5,083	41%
Buckhorn township	1,223	41%
Buies Creek CDP	987	64%
Bunnlevel CDP	392	39%
Coats town	1,039	66%
Duke township	2,303	56%
Dunn city	3,707	64%
Erwin town	1,668	56%
Grove township	4,623	54%
Hectors Creek township	2,267	33%
Johnsonville township	4,230	38%
Lillington town	1,251	49%
Lillington township	1,653	47%
Mamers CDP	298	59%
Neills Creek township	2,588	57%
Spout Springs CDP	3,307	21%
Stewarts Creek township	1,830	54%
Upper Little River township	3,139	47%

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