# ALICE IN BALTIMORE COUNTY



2022 Point-in-Time Data

Population: 846,161 • Number of Households: 337,529 Median Household Income: \$86,526 (state average: \$94,991) Labor Force Participation Rate: 66% (state average: 67%) ALICE Households: 29% (state average: 29%) • Households in Poverty: 11% (state average: 10%)

### **Financial Hardship 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.

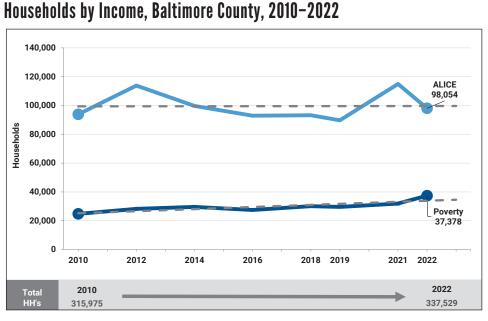
Households move below or above the ALICE Threshold as economic factors and circumstances change. This was especially true amid the economic crosscurrents of the COVID-19 pandemic, with higher wages, inflation, and additional pandemic assistance. By 2022, 135,432 households (40%) were below the ALICE Threshold in Baltimore County.

### 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 Baltimore 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 Baltimore County, visit UnitedForALICE.org/Household-Budgets/ Maryland



Note: See an interactive version of this data at UnitedForALICE.org/Maryland Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2010-2022; American Community Survey, 2010-2022

#### Household Survival Budget, Baltimore County, 2022

	SINGLE ADULT	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 preschooler
Monthly Costs and Credits		
Housing – Rent	\$925	\$1,283
Housing – Utilities	\$163	\$310
Child Care	-	\$1,749
Food	\$487	\$1,327
Transportation	\$418	\$1,068
Health Care	\$186	\$762
Technology	\$86	\$116
Miscellaneous	\$226	\$662
Tax Payments	\$532	\$1,702
Tax Credits	\$0	-\$437
Monthly Total	\$3,023	\$8,542
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$36,276	\$102,504
Hourly Wage*	\$18.14	\$51.25

\*Wage working full-time required to support this budget

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

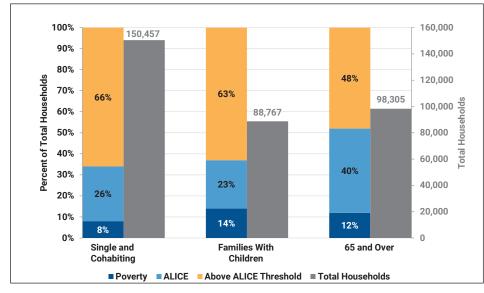
## Financial Hardship is Not Evenly Distributed

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.

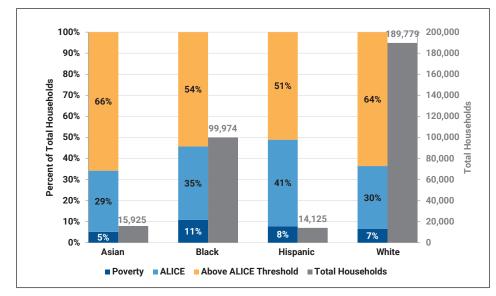
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### Household Financial Status by Household Type, Baltimore County, 2022



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

#### Household Financial Status by Race/Ethnicity, Baltimore 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

#### Baltimore County, 2022

Town	Total Households	% ALICE & Poverty
Arbutus CDP	7,976	35%
Baltimore Highlands CDP	2,959	57%
Bowleys Quarters CDP	2,548	33%
Carney CDP	12,753	43%
Catonsville CDP	16,115	33%
Cockeysville CDP	10,305	43%
Dundalk CDP	25,831	63%
Edgemere CDP	3,414	36%
Essex CDP	15,955	53%
Garrison CDP	3,504	34%
Hampton CDP	1,760	13%
Honeygo CDP	4,109	24%
Kingsville CDP	1,711	29%
Lansdowne CDP	3,593	55%
Lochearn CDP	10,304	50%
Lutherville CDP	2,473	27%
Mays Chapel CDP	4,827	23%
Middle River CDP	12,082	50%
Milford Mill CDP	11,589	49%
Overlea CDP	5,398	46%
Owings Mills CDP	14,124	36%
Parkville CDP	12,442	43%
Perry Hall CDP	11,062	32%
Pikesville CDP	13,681	36%
Randallstown CDP	13,530	38%
Reisterstown CDP	10,674	47%
Rosedale CDP	7,371	42%
Rossville CDP	6,372	42%
Timonium CDP	4,017	27%
Towson CDP	22,430	35%
White Marsh CDP	3,801	30%
Woodlawn CDP (Baltimore County)	15,270	48%

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