

## Welfare Reform and Social Indicators - Queens County

	Queens County	New York State
<b>Population</b>		
Number of Persons, 2000 Census	2,229,379	18,976,457
Percent change in population since 1990 Census	14.2%	5.5%
<b>Poverty</b> (Census Bureau Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates)		
Number of Persons in Poverty: 1997	341,587	2,814,460
Poverty Rate: 1997	17.0%	15.6%
Change in the Number of Persons in Poverty: 1995-1997	16,471	-31,753
Percent Change in the Number of Persons in Poverty: 1995 to 1997	5.1%	-1.1%
<b>Child Poverty</b> (Census Bureau Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates)		
Number of Children in Poverty: 1997	82,346	765,578
Child Poverty Rate: 1997	26.2%	23.8%
Change in Number of Children in Poverty: 1995 to 1997	9,408	1,177
Percent Change in Number of Children in Poverty: 1995 to 1997	12.9%	0.2%
<b>Income and Poverty Data for 2000</b> (Census 2000 Supplemental Survey*)		
Poverty rate: Persons	10.5%	13.5%
Poverty rate: Families	8.7%	11.1%
Poverty rate: Children	14.6%	19.2%
Number of families with children with income below poverty in the past 12 months	35,689	393,977
Households with cash public assistance	28,309	293,396
Households with food stamp benefits	44,544	552,506
Median Annual Household Income	\$47,247	\$43,602
<b>Economic Indicators</b>		
Unemployment Rate: October 2001	4.9%	4.8%
Change in Resident Employment: December 1995 to October 2001	91,513	482,830
Percent Change in Resident Employment: December 1995 to October 2001	10.7%	6.0%
Median Annual Household Income: 1997	\$35,820	\$36,369
Annual Federal Poverty Guideline for a three-person family: 2001	\$14,630	
Annual Self-Sufficiency Standard for a single parent with two children: 2000	\$36,336	

\* Data from the Census 2000 Supplementary Survey is not directly comparable with the 1995 and 1997 Census Bureau Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates.