### **ALICE IN JENNINGS COUNTY**

2023 Point-in-Time Data

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Population: 27,584 • Number of Households: 10,760 Median Household Income: \$68,476 (state: \$69,477) Labor Force Participation Rate: 61.5% (state: 64.4%)

ALICE Households: 24% (state: 26%) • Households in Poverty: 13% (state: 12%)

# Trends in Financial Hardship

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. The line graph to the right shows the number of ALICE and poverty-level households (solid blue lines), as well as the trend over time (dotted gray lines). By 2023, 3,952 households (37%) were below the ALICE Threshold in Jennings County.

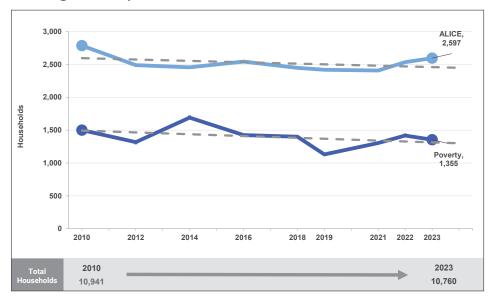
### The Cost of Basics Outpaces Wages

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 2023, household costs in Jennings County were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$14,580 for a single adult and \$30,000 for a family of four.

To see costs for different household compositions in Jennings County, visit <a href="UnitedForALICE.org/Household-Budgets/Indiana">UnitedForALICE.org/Household-Budgets/Indiana</a>

## ALICE and Poverty-Level Households, Jennings County, 2010–2023



Note: See an interactive version of this data at <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Indiana</u>
Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2010-2023; American Community Survey, 2010-2023

Household Survival Budget, Jennings County, 2023			
	Single Adult	2 Adults, 1 Infant, 1 Preschooler	
Monthly Costs			
Housing	\$694	\$920	
Child Care	_	\$1,196	
Food	\$397	\$1,078	
Transportation	\$390	\$938	
Health Care	\$172	\$690	
Technology	\$86	\$116	
Miscellaneous	\$174	\$494	
Taxes	\$340	\$652	
Monthly Total	\$2,253	\$6,084	

\$27,036

\$13.52

\$73,008

\$36.50

**ANNUAL TOTAL** 

Hourly Wage\*

For ALICE Household Survival Budget sources, visit <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Methodology</u>

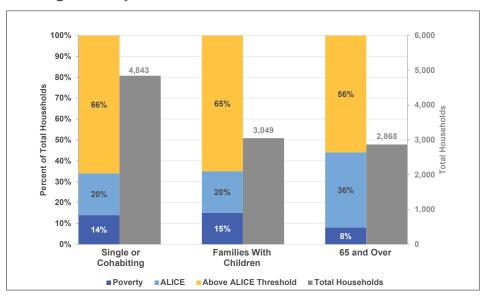
<sup>\*</sup>Full-time wage required to support this budget

#### Financial Hardship is Not Evenly Distributed

The largest demographic groups in the county also tend to have the largest number of households below the ALICE Threshold. However, when looking at the percentage of each group that is below the Threshold, some groups face higher rates of hardship.

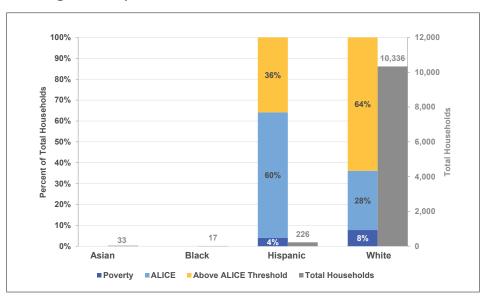
Explore more demographic data at <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Indiana</u> and visit <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Mapping-Tool</u> to see ALICE data for all available geographies.

#### Household Financial Status by Household Type, Jennings County, 2023



Note: Families with children include married-parent, single-female-headed, and single-male-headed households. Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2023; American Community Survey, 2023

### Household Financial Status by Race/Ethnicity, Jennings County, 2023



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, 2023; American Community Survey, 2023

Jennings County, 2023			
Town	Total Households	% ALICE & Poverty	
Bigger township	190	63%	
Campbell township	429	30%	
Center township	3,416	54%	
Columbia township	327	38%	
Geneva township	2,741	34%	
Lovett township	489	15%	
Marion township	434	32%	
Montgomery township	322	19%	
Sand Creek township	190	23%	
Spencer township	992	14%	
Vernon township	1,230	28%	

Note: Municipal-level data on this page is 5-year averages for U.S. Census County Subdivisions, which include Census County Divisions (CCDs). Data for counties with populations over 65,000 is 1-year estimates. Geographies with fewer than 100 households are not included. Therefore, totals will not match the county-level numbers.

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