



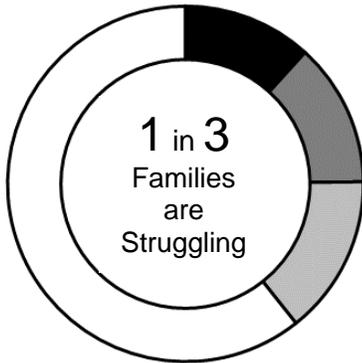
United Way
of Snohomish County

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Snohomish County

Poverty is complicated, and its effects often compound its causes. For example, if you can't afford housing, transportation, and child care, it is harder to get and keep a good job. Although the high concentration of aerospace and manufacturing industries has led to considerable wealth in Snohomish County, the region's high cost of living keeps many families at risk of falling into or never escaping poverty.



Extreme Low Income
 Very Low Income
 Low Income
 Above Low Income

Of the more than 187,000 families in Snohomish County, about 13,000 families fall below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year. The proportion of families in poverty dramatically increases depending on the population. For example, families with young children have poverty rates as high as 18%. Research shows a strong correlation between childhood and adulthood poverty, meaning poor children are likely to become poor adults.

But the Federal Poverty Level doesn't tell the whole story about hardship in our community. Beyond the 13,000 families in poverty, there are an additional 61,000 families in Snohomish County struggling just to get by. These families earn more than the poverty level but less than the basic cost of living, a critical issue in a region as expensive as the Pacific Northwest.

We all want to see our community succeed, but siloed approaches focusing on only children or only adults have not made the progress that families deserve. The connection between parent and child outcomes is clear, but program-specific funding often compels organizations to adopt singular strategies rather than holistic approaches.

United Way wants to change that, and we need your help to do it.

Snohomish County has always been a collaborative community with world-class providers, and we are doubling down on these incredible strengths. Our new two-generation approach places families at the center of a collaborative so that they can access the services they need most. Together, we can create long-term solutions for family success.

Families in Your Community

Families in our community have complex and varied needs. While United Way will continue to provide support for basic needs like shelter/housing, food, and transportation, our approach centers on 5 core components that have the greatest potential to advance family success:

Early Childhood Education



Children are ready for school and can take charge of their learning. Adults gain skills to actively support their child's development.

Postsecondary & Employment Pathways



Adults have opportunities to pursue postsecondary learning and develop tools to climb the career ladder.

Economic Assets



Families are empowered and stable; parents pursue further education and children have a model of economic success.

Health & Well-being



Children meet appropriate physical and emotional health benchmarks while adult physical and mental health is strengthened.

Social Capital



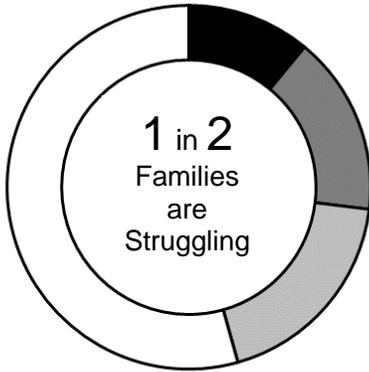
Families connect with economic, social, and other supports and develop skills to successfully navigate society.

Arlington



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The county's high median income and relatively low poverty rates mask the need in many communities. The number of Arlington families who are struggling to afford life's basic necessities far exceed federal poverty statistics. For example, in Arlington:



■ Extreme Low Income ■ Very Low Income
■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 4,500 families living in Arlington, more than half are struggling to make ends meet. 341 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are more than 1,700 families in Arlington with at least one child under the age of 8, and 10% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$83,000, but nearly one-sixth of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

Children's trajectories are influenced by their parents' education, economic stability, and overall health.

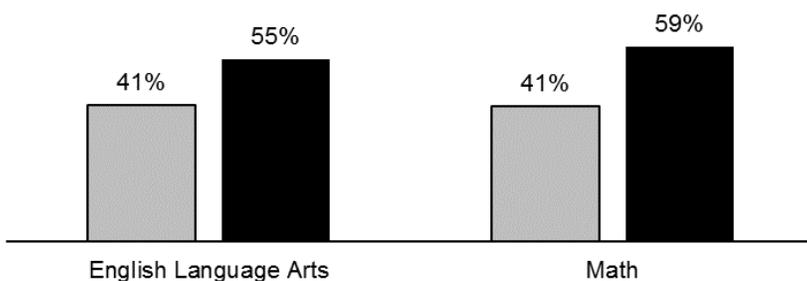
- Of the 341 Arlington families living below the Federal Poverty Level, nearly half of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Arlington has an unemployment rate of 9.4%, nearly 2 percentage points higher than the county rate. 90% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; more than half have both parents in the workforce.
- More than 2,000 Arlington residents lack health insurance; two-thirds of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

The learning, development, and stability of a child's early years is crucial to their success in life.

- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. Nearly 32% of all students in Arlington School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 37%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
- A child's readiness for school is a strong determinant of how well he or she will fare as an adult.

3rd Graders Not Meeting Standards

■ All Students ■ Low-Income Students



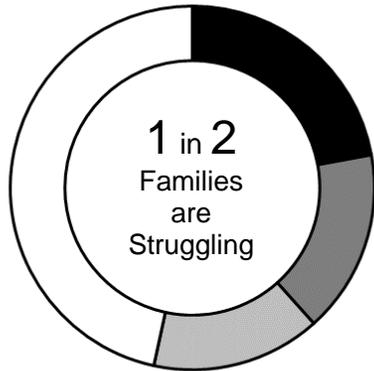
Overall, 41% of Arlington School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income

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students, 58% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

Darrington

The county's high median income and relatively low poverty rates mask the need in many communities. The number of Darrington families who are struggling to afford life's basic necessities far exceed federal poverty statistics. For example, in Darrington:



■ Extreme Low Income ■ Very Low Income
■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 350 families living in Darrington, more than half are struggling to make ends meet. 59 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are more than 80 families in Darrington with at least one child under the age of 8, and 16% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$63,000, but more than one-quarter of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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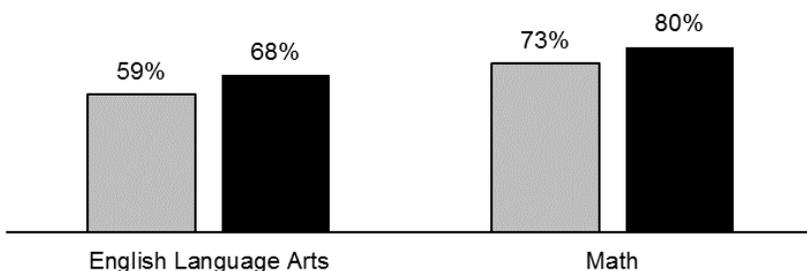
- Of the 59 Darrington families living below the Federal Poverty Level, more than half of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Darrington has an unemployment rate of 17.3%, more than twice the county rate. 90% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; half have both parents in the workforce.
- Nearly 250 Darrington residents lack health insurance; 42% of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

The learning, development, and stability of a child's early years is crucial to their success in life.

- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. Nearly 55% of all students in Darrington School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 57%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
- A child's readiness for school is a strong determinant of how well he or she will fare as an adult.

3rd Graders Not Meeting Standards

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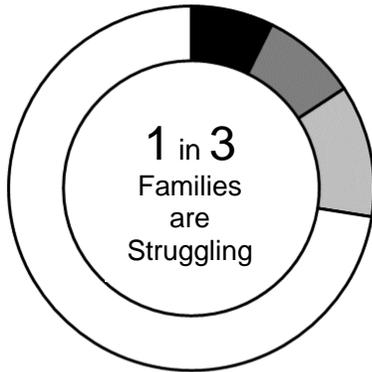


Overall, 66% of Darrington School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 74% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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Edmonds

The county's high median income and relatively low poverty rates mask the need in many communities. The number of Edmonds families who are struggling to afford life's basic necessities far exceed federal poverty statistics. For example, in Edmonds:



■ Extreme Low Income ■ Very Low Income
■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 11,000 families living in Edmonds, nearly one-third are struggling to make ends meet. 532 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are nearly 1,400 families in Edmonds with at least one child under the age of 8, and 19% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$126,000, but nearly one-fifth of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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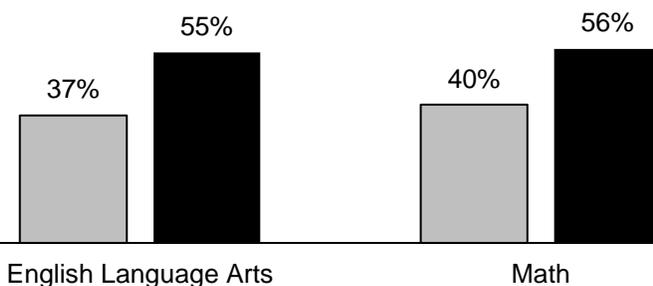
- Of the 532 Edmonds families living below the Federal Poverty Level, approximately one-quarter of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Edmonds has an unemployment rate of 5.9%, slightly less than the county rate. 93% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; nearly half have both parents in the workforce.
- Nearly 3,300 Edmonds residents lack health insurance; approximately half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

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- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. Nearly 37% of all students in Edmonds School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 38%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
- A child's readiness for school is a strong determinant of how well he or she will fare as an adult.

3rd Graders Not Meeting Standards

□ All Students ■ Low-Income Students

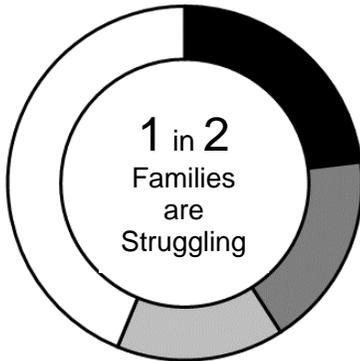


Overall, 38% of Edmonds School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 55% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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Everett

The county's high median income and relatively low poverty rates mask the need in many communities. The number of Everett families who are struggling to afford life's basic necessities far exceed federal poverty statistics. For example, in Everett:



■ Extreme Low Income ■ Very Low Income
■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 23,000 families living in Everett, more than half are struggling to make ends meet. 3,000 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are nearly 5,000 families in Everett with at least one child under the age of 8, and 27% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$75,000, but nearly one-third of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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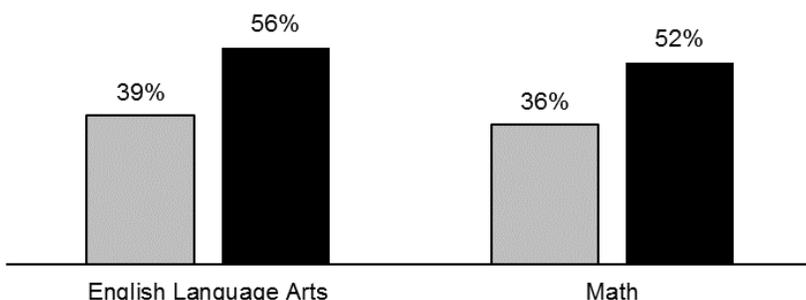
- Of the 3,000 Everett families living below the Federal Poverty Level, more than half of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Everett has an unemployment rate of 9.2%, nearly 2 percentage points higher than the county rate. 90% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; nearly one-third have both parents in the workforce.
- Nearly 15,000 Everett residents lack health insurance; more than half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

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- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. Nearly 40% of all students in Everett School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 42%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
- A child's readiness for school is a strong determinant of how well he or she will fare as an adult.

3rd Graders Not Meeting Standards

■ All Students ■ Low-Income Students

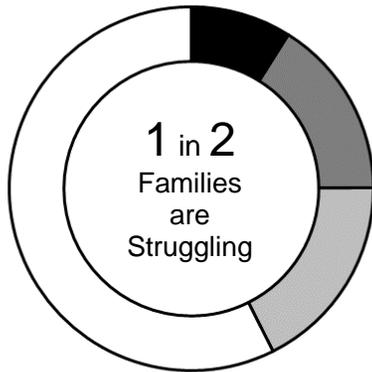


Overall, 37% of Everett School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 54% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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Lake Stevens

The county's high median income and relatively low poverty rates mask the need in many communities. The number of Lake Stevens families who are struggling to afford life's basic necessities far exceed federal poverty statistics. For example, in Lake Stevens:



■ Extreme Low Income ■ Very Low Income
■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 7,500 families living in Lake Stevens, nearly half are struggling to make ends meet. 442 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are nearly 1,760 families in Lake Stevens with at least one child under the age of 8, and 10% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$90,000, but nearly one-sixth of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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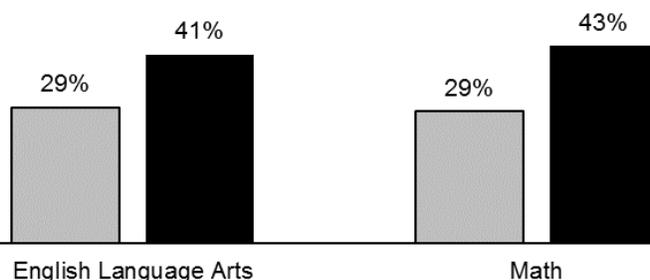
- Of the 442 Lake Stevens families living below the Federal Poverty Level, more than half of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Lake Stevens has an unemployment rate of 7.2%, slightly less than the county rate. 93% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; 40% have both parents in the workforce.
- Nearly 3,000 Lake Stevens residents lack health insurance; more than half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

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- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. Nearly 28% of all students in Lake Stevens School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 31%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
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3rd Graders Not Meeting Standards

■ All Students ■ Low-Income Students

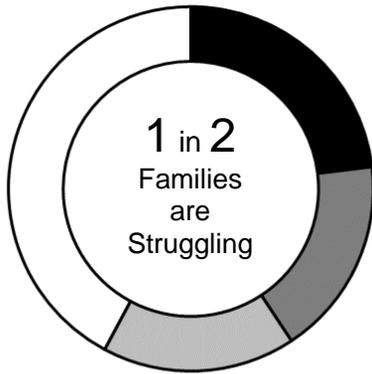


Overall, 29% of Lake Stevens School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 42% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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Lynnwood

The county's high median income and relatively low poverty rates mask the need in many communities. The number of Lynnwood families who are struggling to afford life's basic necessities far exceed federal poverty statistics. For example, in Lynnwood:



■ Extreme Low Income ■ Very Low Income
■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 8,500 families living in Lynnwood, more than half are struggling to make ends meet. 921 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are nearly 1,250 families in Lynnwood with at least one child under the age of 8, and 15% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$76,000, but more than one-quarter of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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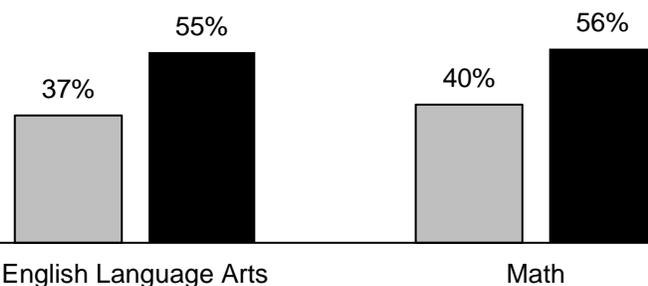
- Of the 921 Lynnwood families living below the Federal Poverty Level, more than 40% of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Lynnwood has an unemployment rate of 6.4%, slightly less than the county rate. 91% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; 39% have both parents in the workforce.
- Nearly 5,000 Lynnwood residents lack health insurance; approximately half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

The learning, development, and stability of a child's early years is crucial to their success in life.

- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. Nearly 37% of all students in Edmonds School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 38%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
- A child's readiness for school is a strong determinant of how well he or she will fare as an adult.

3rd Graders Not Meeting Standards

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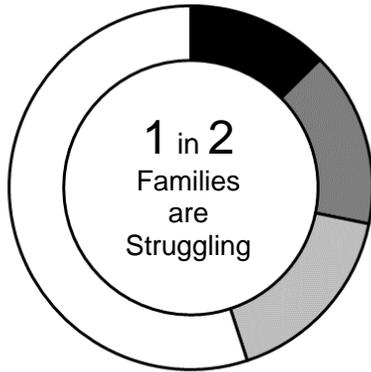


Overall, 38% of Edmonds School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 55% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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Marysville

The county's high median income and relatively low poverty rates mask the need in many communities. The number of Marysville families who are struggling to afford life's basic necessities far exceed federal poverty statistics. For example, in Marysville:



■ Extreme Low Income ■ Very Low Income
▒ Low Income □ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 16,000 families living in Marysville, nearly half are struggling to make ends meet. 1,032 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are more than 3,500 families in Marysville with at least one child under the age of 8, and 16% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$83,000, but approximately one-sixth of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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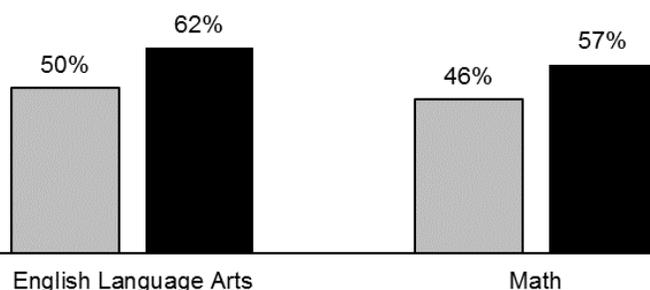
- Of the 1,032 Marysville families living below the Federal Poverty Level, more than half of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Marysville has an unemployment rate of 8.9%, slightly higher than the county rate. 93% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; 36% have both parents in the workforce.
- Nearly 7,500 Marysville residents lack health insurance; more than half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

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- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. Nearly 47% of all students in Marysville School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 53%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
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3rd Graders Not Meeting Standards

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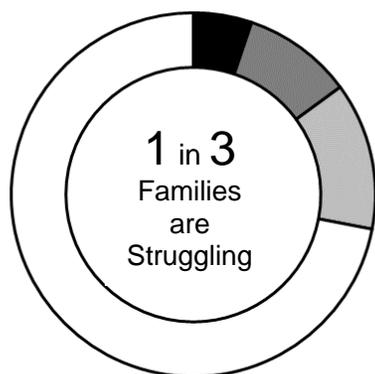


Overall, 48% of Marysville School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 59% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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Mill Creek

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 Very Low Income
 Low Income
 Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 5,500 families living in Mill Creek, nearly one-third are struggling to make ends meet. 227 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are more than 730 families in Mill Creek with at least one child under the age of 8, and almost 10% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$118,000, but approximately 10% of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

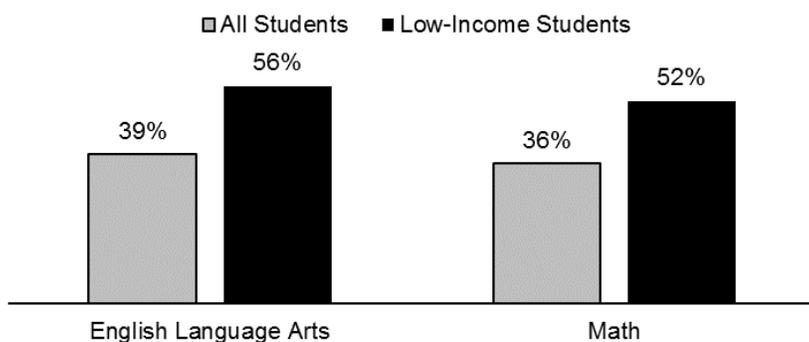
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- Of the 227 Mill Creek families living below the Federal Poverty Level, more than one-third of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Mill Creek has an unemployment rate of 3.3%, less than half the county rate. 97% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; 46% have both parents in the workforce.
- Nearly 1,300 Mill Creek residents lack health insurance; approximately half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

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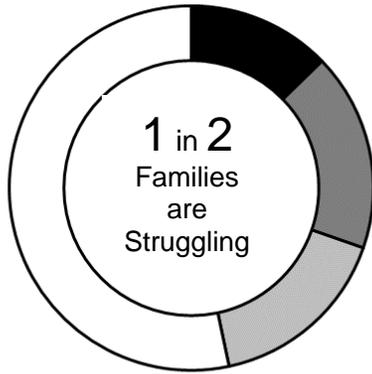


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Monroe

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■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 3,500 families living in Monroe, nearly half are struggling to make ends meet. 192 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are more than 790 families in Monroe with at least one child under the age of 8, and 12% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$83,000, but approximately one-sixth of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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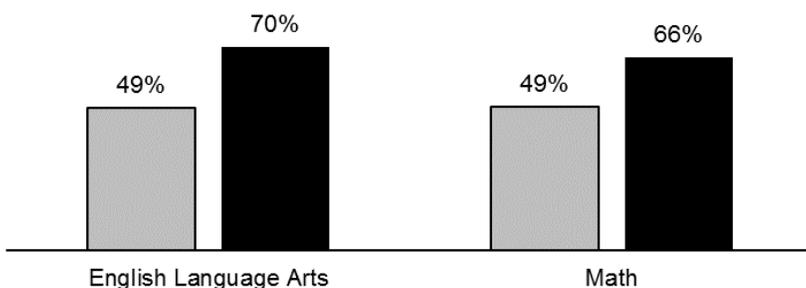
- Of the 1,032 Monroe families living below the Federal Poverty Level, nearly 70% of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Monroe has an unemployment rate of 7.2%, nearly the same as the county rate. 93% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; 29% have both parents in the workforce.
- Nearly 2,300 Monroe residents lack health insurance; more than half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

The learning, development, and stability of a child's early years is crucial to their success in life.

- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. Nearly 25% of all students in Monroe School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 34%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
- A child's readiness for school is a strong determinant of how well he or she will fare as an adult.

3rd Graders Not Meeting Standards

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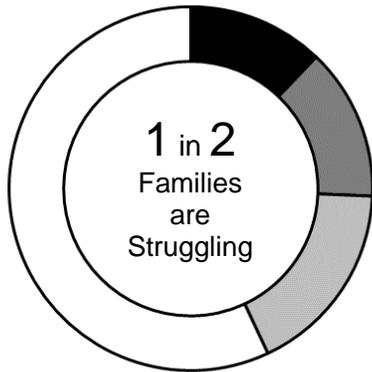


Overall, 49% of Monroe School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 69% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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Mountlake Terrace

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■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 5,000 families living in Mountlake Terrace, more than half are struggling to make ends meet. 313 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are more than 830 families in Mountlake Terrace with at least one child under the age of 8, and 11% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$86,000, but approximately one-sixth of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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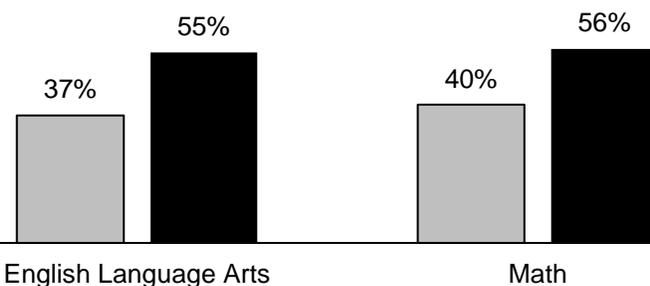
- Of the 313 Mountlake Terrace families living below the Federal Poverty Level, nearly half of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Mountlake Terrace has an unemployment rate of 6.8%, slightly less than the county rate. 92% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; 53% have both parents in the workforce.
- Nearly 2,700 Mountlake Terrace residents lack health insurance; about half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

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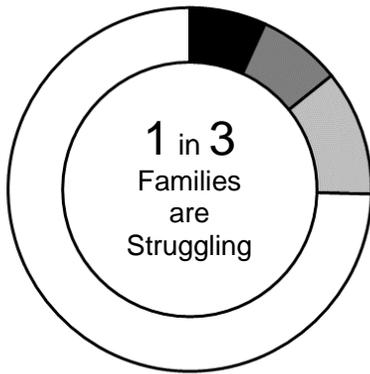


Overall, 38% of Edmonds School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 55% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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Mukilteo

The county's high median income and relatively low poverty rates mask the need in many communities. The number of Mukilteo families who are struggling to afford life's basic necessities far exceed federal poverty statistics. For example, in Mukilteo:



■ Extreme Low Income ■ Very Low Income
■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 5,700 families living in Mukilteo, nearly one-third are struggling to make ends meet. 201 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are nearly 530 families in Mukilteo with at least one child under the age of 8, and 19% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$128,000, but approximately 10% of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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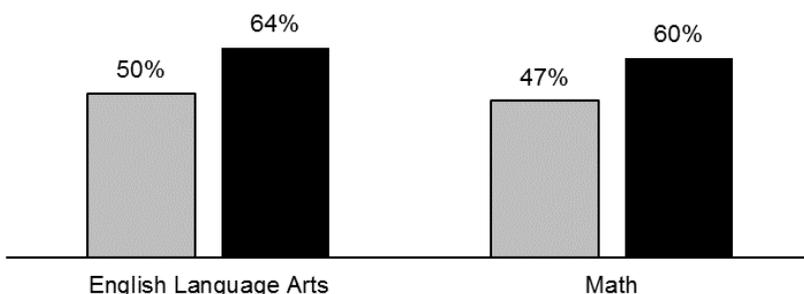
- Of the 201 Mukilteo families living below the Federal Poverty Level, approximately 30% of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Mukilteo has an unemployment rate of 6.7%, slightly lower than the county rate. 94% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; 30% have both parents in the workforce.
- Nearly 1,700 Mukilteo residents lack health insurance; more than half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

The learning, development, and stability of a child's early years is crucial to their success in life.

- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. Nearly 49% of all students in Mukilteo School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 54%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
- A child's readiness for school is a strong determinant of how well he or she will fare as an adult.

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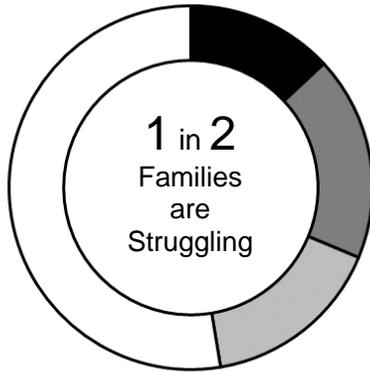


Overall, 48% of Mukilteo School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 62% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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Snohomish

The county's high median income and relatively low poverty rates mask the need in many communities. The number of Snohomish families who are struggling to afford life's basic necessities far exceed federal poverty statistics. For example, in Snohomish:



■ Extreme Low Income ■ Very Low Income
■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 2,500 families living in Snohomish, nearly half are struggling to make ends meet. 441 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are approximately 370 families in Snohomish with at least one child under the age of 8, and 20% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$78,000, but approximately one-fifth of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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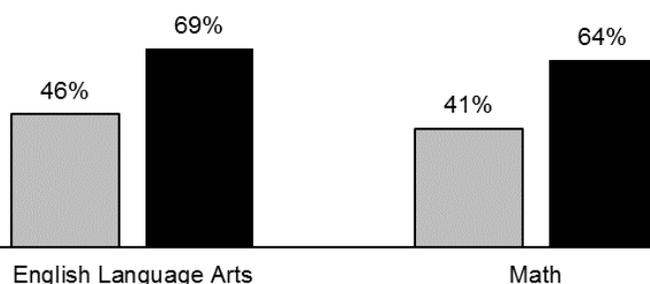
- Of the 441 Snohomish families living below the Federal Poverty Level, more than 75% of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Snohomish has an unemployment rate of 6.7%, slightly less than the county rate. 98% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; 42% have both parents in the workforce.
- Nearly 1,000 Snohomish residents lack health insurance; half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

The learning, development, and stability of a child's early years is crucial to their success in life.

- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. Nearly 20% of all students in Snohomish School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 23%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
- A child's readiness for school is a strong determinant of how well he or she will fare as an adult.

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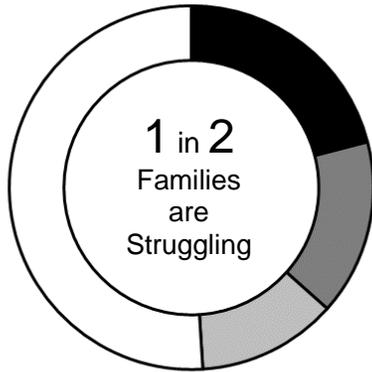


Overall, 44% of Snohomish School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 67% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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Stanwood

The county's high median income and relatively low poverty rates mask the need in many communities. The number of Stanwood families who are struggling to afford life's basic necessities far exceed federal poverty statistics. For example, in Stanwood:



■ Extreme Low Income ■ Very Low Income
■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 1,700 families living in Stanwood, nearly half are struggling to make ends meet. 245 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are more than 350 families in Stanwood with at least one child under the age of 8, and 25% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$74,000, but approximately one-third of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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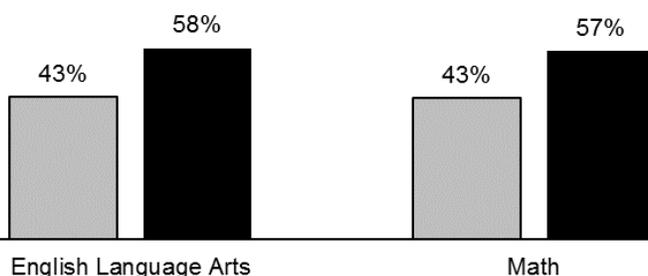
- Of the 441 Stanwood families living below the Federal Poverty Level, nearly 67% of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Stanwood has an unemployment rate of 6.7%, slightly less than the county rate. 74% of all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; 22% have both parents in the workforce.
- More than 400 Stanwood residents lack health insurance; almost half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

The learning, development, and stability of a child's early years is crucial to their success in life.

- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. More than 25% all students in Stanwood-Camano School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 30%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
- A child's readiness for school is a strong determinant of how well he or she will fare as an adult.

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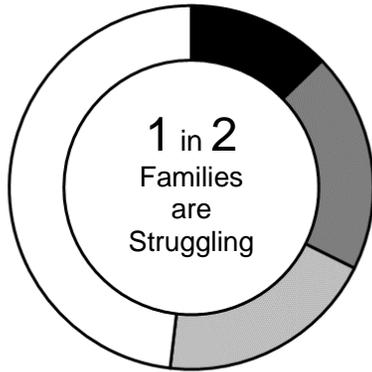


Overall, 43% of Stanwood School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 57% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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Sultan

The county's high median income and relatively low poverty rates mask the need in many communities. The number of Sultan families who are struggling to afford life's basic necessities far exceed federal poverty statistics. For example, in Sultan:



■ Extreme Low Income ■ Very Low Income
■ Low Income ■ Above Low Income

- Of the approximately 1,200 families living in Sultan, more than half are struggling to make ends meet. 60 of these families live below the Federal Poverty Level, which, for a family of 4, is only \$24,600 a year.
- Families with young children are at particular risk. There are nearly 370 families in Sultan with at least one child under the age of 8, and 20% of these families have incomes below the Federal Poverty Level.
- Average family income is \$78,000, but approximately one-sixth of families make less than \$35,000.

Families in Your Community

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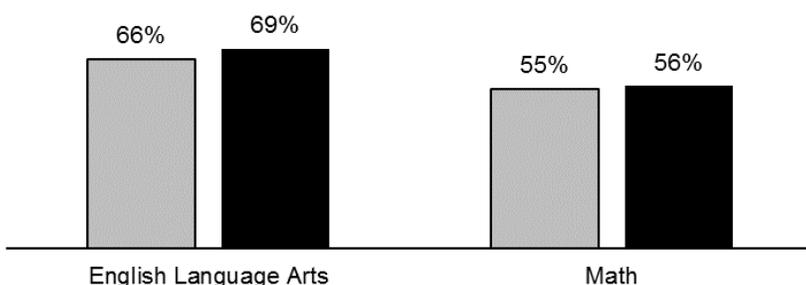
- Of the 60 Sultan families living below the Federal Poverty Level, nearly 30% of householders have a high school diploma or less.
- Sultan has an unemployment rate of 10.4%, 50% higher than the county rate. Nearly all families with young children have at least one parent in the workforce; 45% have both parents in the workforce.
- More than 600 Sultan residents lack health insurance; almost half of uninsured people are under age 35. On average, uninsured people experience poorer health outcomes due to barriers in accessing care.

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- There is a strong and positive relationship between nutrition and academic performance. 50% of all students in Sultan School District are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch. Among just elementary school students, this figure is 56%. For many students, lunch is their only nutritious and reliable meal of the day.
- A child's readiness for school is a strong determinant of how well he or she will fare as an adult.

3rd Graders Not Meeting Standards

■ All Students ■ Low-Income Students



Overall, 60% of Sultan School District 3rd graders currently do not meet statewide competency standards in either English Language Arts or Math. Among low-income students, 63% are not meeting standards in one or both domains.

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