

## 2022 Point-in-Time Data

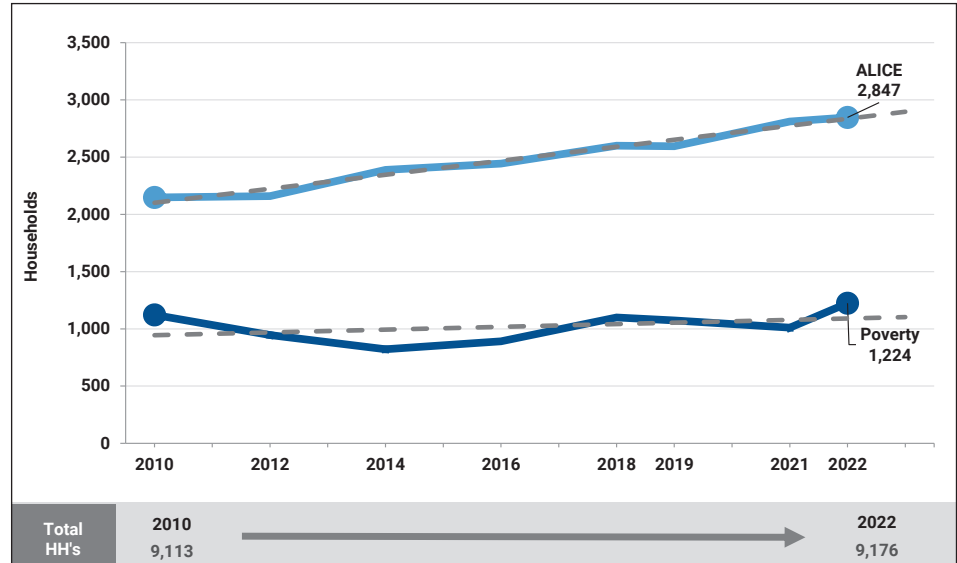
**Population:** 20,730 • **Number of Households:** 9,176  
**Median Household Income:** \$55,223 (state average: \$70,996)  
**Labor Force Participation Rate:** 47.5% (state average: 65.1%)  
**ALICE Households:** 31% (state average: 24%) • **Households in Poverty:** 13% (state average: 11%)

## Financial Hardship Over Time

**ALICE** is an acronym for **A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mloyed – 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, 4,071 households (44%) were below the ALICE Threshold in Adams County.

## Households by Income, Adams County, 2010–2022



Note: See an interactive version of this data at [UnitedForALICE.org/Wisconsin](https://UnitedForALICE.org/Wisconsin)

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 Adams 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 Adams County, visit [UnitedForALICE.org/Household-Budgets/Wisconsin](https://UnitedForALICE.org/Household-Budgets/Wisconsin)

## Household Survival Budget, Adams County, 2022

	SINGLE ADULT	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 PRESCHOOLER
<b>Monthly Costs and Credits</b>		
Housing – Rent	\$403	\$510
Housing – Utilities	\$163	\$310
Child Care	–	\$1,495
Food	\$436	\$1,188
Transportation	\$395	\$1,045
Health Care	\$182	\$638
Technology	\$86	\$116
Miscellaneous	\$166	\$530
Tax Payments	\$255	\$1,077
Tax Credits	\$0	-\$433
<b>Monthly Total</b>	<b>\$2,086</b>	<b>\$6,476</b>
<b>ANNUAL TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25,032</b>	<b>\$77,712</b>
<b>Hourly Wage*</b>	<b>\$12.52</b>	<b>\$38.86</b>

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

For ALICE Survival Budget sources, visit [UnitedForALICE.org/Methodology](https://UnitedForALICE.org/Methodology)

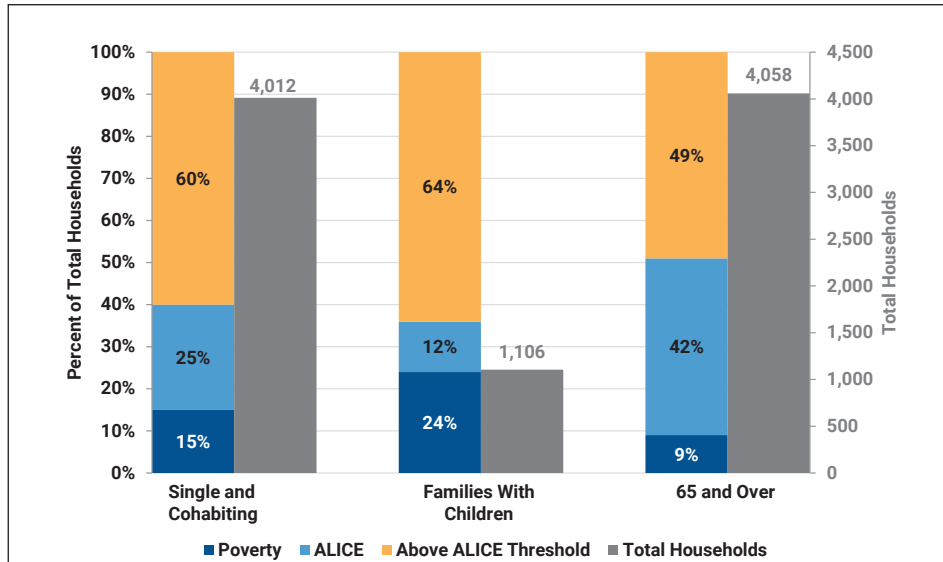
# Financial Hardship is Not Evenly Distributed

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.

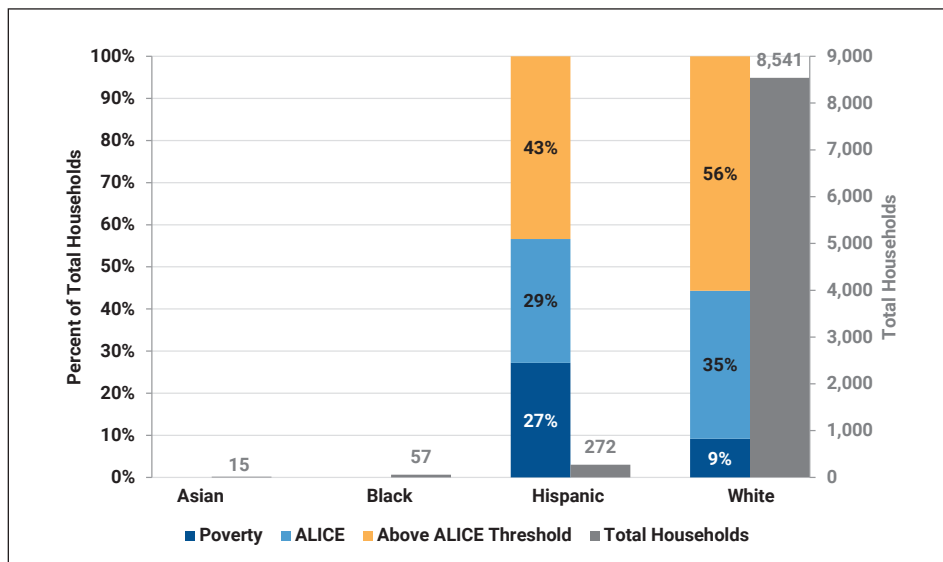
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## Household Financial Status by Household Type, Adams County, 2022



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

## Household Financial Status by Race/Ethnicity, Adams 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.

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

Adams County, 2022		
Town	Total Households	% ALICE & Poverty
Adams city	930	62%
Adams town	612	37%
Big Flats town	509	58%
Colburn town	115	37%
Dell Prairie town	673	26%
Easton town	377	40%
Friendship village	251	51%
Jackson town	470	36%
Leola town	130	47%
Lincoln town	143	30%
Monroe town	179	57%
New Chester town	369	49%
New Haven town	228	40%
Preston town	663	54%
Quincy town	665	58%
Richfield town	111	61%
Rome town	1,557	30%
Springville town	594	43%
Strongs Prairie town	600	48%

Note: Municipal-level data on this page is 5-year averages for Census County Subdivisions. 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.