

5.36 Estimated incidence and percentage distribution of low-income¹ and all other families and unattached individuals, 1981

Selected characteristics	Families			Unattached individuals		
	Incidence of low income ²	Percentage distribution of		Incidence of low income ²	Percentage distribution of	
		Low-income	All other		Low-income	All other
All families and unattached individuals	12.0	100.0	100.0	37.8	100.0	100.0
Estimated numbers '000	...	768	5,650	..	962	1,582
By province of residence						
Atlantic provinces	16.6	12.0	8.2	43.3	7.2	5.7
Newfoundland	17.4	3.0	2.0	42.7	1.1	0.9
Prince Edward Island	15.0	0.6	0.5	46.1	0.5	0.3
Nova Scotia	15.4	4.2	3.2	42.9	3.3	2.7
New Brunswick	17.6	4.1	2.6	43.7	2.3	1.8
Quebec	14.8	33.0	25.9	48.5	32.7	21.1
Ontario	9.9	29.9	36.8	34.3	31.3	36.5
Prairie provinces	11.3	16.2	17.3	31.0	16.1	21.8
Manitoba	14.5	5.0	4.0	37.4	4.4	4.5
Saskatchewan	14.9	4.8	3.7	37.1	4.0	4.1
Alberta	8.3	6.4	9.6	26.2	7.7	13.2
British Columbia	9.4	9.0	11.8	34.1	12.7	14.9
By size of area of residence						
Urban areas 500,000 and over	11.2	39.4	42.3	38.9	54.3	51.9
Urban areas 100,000 - 499,999	12.1	14.7	14.5	35.5	14.8	16.3
Urban areas 30,000 - 99,999	12.5	8.7	8.2	38.8	8.4	8.0
Urban areas under 30,000	12.1	15.8	15.5	38.4	14.2	13.9
Rural areas	13.1	21.5	19.5	33.8	8.3	9.9
By tenure						
Owners	8.0	48.1	75.5	32.2	21.6	27.7
With mortgage	6.1	21.2	4.4	16.5	3.5	10.8
Without mortgage	10.5	26.9	31.1	39.5	18.1	16.9
Renters ³	22.3	51.9	24.5	39.7	78.4	72.3
By age of head						
24 years and under	22.7	10.6	4.9	38.4	19.7	19.1
25-34 years	12.6	26.5	25.0	18.2	10.8	29.6
35-44 "	10.7	20.2	23.0	22.4	5.4	11.4
45-54 "	9.0	14.1	19.4	30.3	6.7	9.4
55-64 "	10.5	13.3	15.5	40.9	13.0	11.4
65-69 "	15.6	7.0	5.1	50.2	9.8	5.9
70 years and over	13.6	8.2	7.1	61.6	34.6	13.1
By sex of head						
Male	8.9	66.2	92.5	28.5	33.0	50.3
Female	38.1	33.8	7.5	45.0	67.0	49.7
By marital status of head						
Single	34.7	8.9	2.3	30.9	44.5	60.6
Married	8.8	64.3	90.2	32.1	3.3	4.2
Other	32.7	26.8	7.5	47.4	52.2	35.2
By employment status of head						
In labour force	7.9	52.3	82.8	20.4	32.5	77.0
Not in labour force	27.3	47.7	17.2	64.1	67.5	23.0
By size of family unit						
One person	...	...	...	37.8	100.0	100.0
Two persons	12.5	39.0	35.7	...	...	...
Three persons	12.7	24.5	22.5	...	...	...
Four persons	9.7	19.7	24.8	...	...	...
Five or more persons	13.2	16.8	17.0	...	...	...

¹Estimates based on low-income cutoffs, 1978 base, as described in preceding text.

²Percentage of families and unattached individuals with income below the low-income cutoffs.

³Includes roomers, lodgers and families and unattached individuals who receive free lodging or who reside with employers.