17.7% of adults in Ohio have low literacy
Ohio ranks 23 out of 50 in the U.S.

1 in 4 counties in Ohio have populations where 20% or more of the residents have below basic literacy

How does low literacy affect equity and quality of life?
In counties where at least 20% of the population have below basic literacy, we see that many health, economic, and educational outcomes fall short.

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Adults Without a High School Degree
- 15.7%
- 10.2%
- 9.9%

No Access to Healthcare
- 9.0%
- 6.9%
- 6.5%

Residents Below the Poverty Line
- 19.8%
- 13.5%
- 12.7%

Demographics

The percent of 4th graders with below basic reading by race
- White: 24%
- Latinx/Hispanic: 43%
- Black/African American: 57%
- Asian: 14%
- State Average: 32%

Households Where Limited English is Spoken

The percentage of households where no adult speaks English "very well."
4th Grade Reading Levels

While literacy can be high or low in a given metro area, when we look at 4th grade testing, we can see that the performance in English/Language Arts is not consistent across race and gender.

English/Language Arts Test Performance by Race

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Unemployment

6.8%

72,719 adults living in Cleveland are unemployed.

Residents Below the Poverty Line

12.9%

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Didn’t Receive a High School Diploma

9.8%

140,613 adults living in Cleveland did not receive a high school diploma.

Receives Public Assistance

28.4%

125,708 residents receive public assistance in Cleveland.

Median Household Income

$54,273

Data for the Cleveland-Elyria Metro Area