

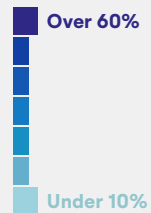
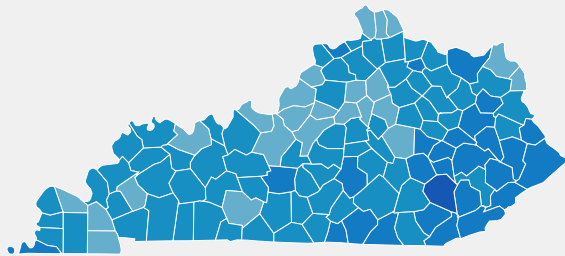
# 21.9%

of adults in Kentucky have low literacy

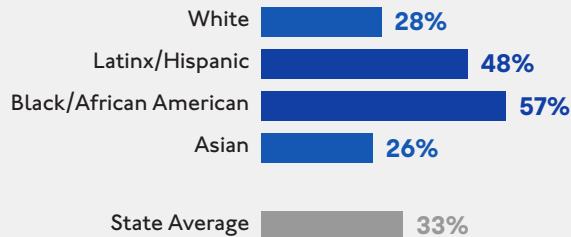
Kentucky ranks 37 out of 50 in the U.S.

## 1 in 2

counties in Kentucky have populations where 25% or more of the residents have below basic literacy



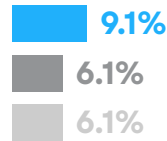
The percent of 4th graders with below basic reading by race



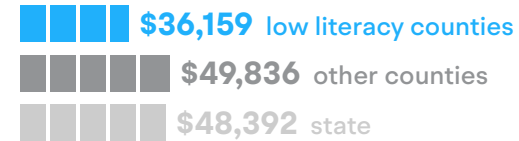
## How does low literacy affect equity and quality of life?

In counties where at least a quarter of the population have below basic literacy, we see that many health, economic, and educational outcomes fall short.

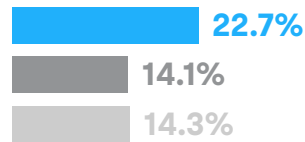
### Unemployment



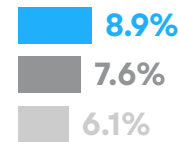
### Median Income



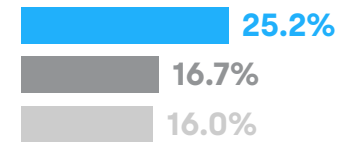
### Adults Without a High School Degree



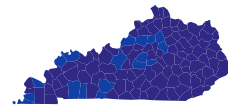
### No Access to Healthcare



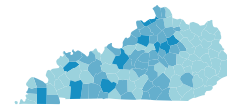
### Residents Below the Poverty Line



## Demographics



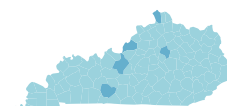
White



Hispanic/Latinx



Black

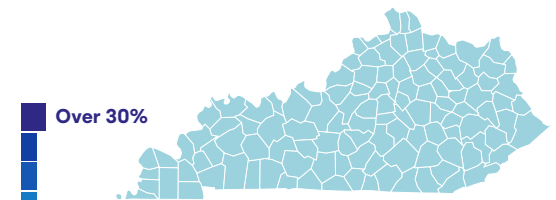


Asian



## Households Where Limited English is Spoken

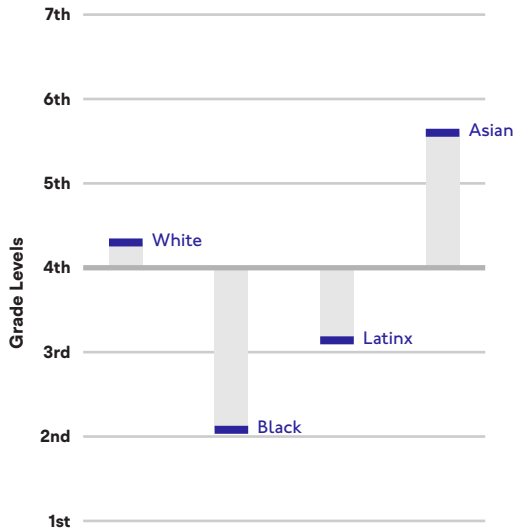
The percentage of households where no adult speaks English "very well."



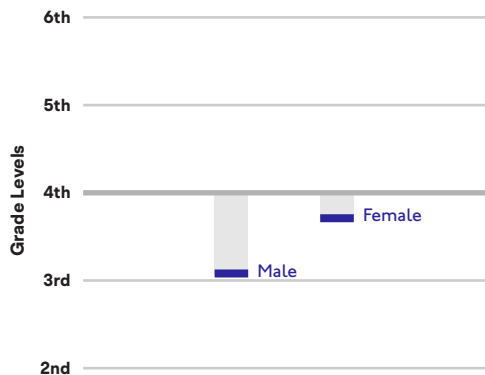
### 4th Grade Reading Levels

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



#### English/Language Arts Test Performance by Gender



### Unemployment

**5.5%**

36,599 adults living in Louisville are unemployed.

### Residents Below the Poverty Line

**11.4%**

110,378 residents are living below the poverty line in Louisville.

### Receives Public Assistance

**24.4%**

71,335 residents receive public assistance in Louisville.

### Median Household Income

**\$56,638**

### Single Mother Households

**12.9%**

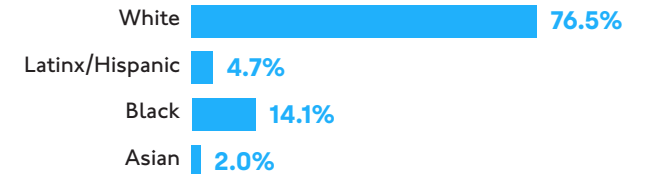
64,695 households in Louisville are single mother households.

### Didn't Receive a High School Diploma

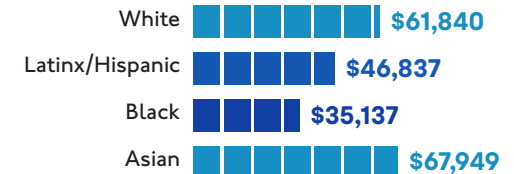
**10.5%**

93,083 adults living in Louisville did not receive a high school diploma.

### Racial Distribution



### Income by Race



Data for the Louisville-Jefferson County Metro Area