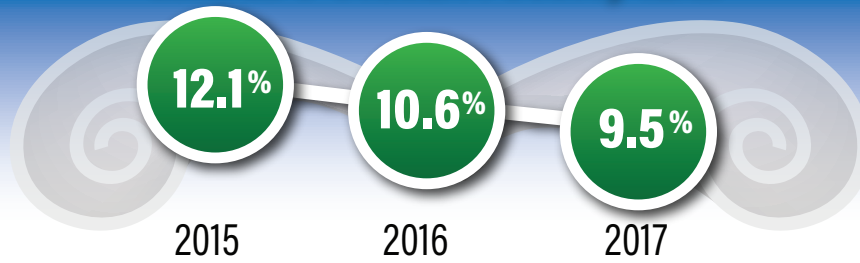


Canada's Official Poverty Dashboard

Snapshot

Canada's Official Poverty Rate



Dignity

Opportunity and Inclusion

Resilience and Security

Lift Canadians out of poverty by ensuring that basic needs are met.

Deep Income Poverty

5.1% of Canadians had income below 75% of Canada's Official Poverty Line in 2017.



Unmet Housing Needs and Chronic Homelessness

12.7% of Canadian households experienced housing need in 2016.



Unmet Health Needs

11.2% of Canadians 12 years and older reported not receiving health care when they felt they needed it in 2014.



Food Insecurity

8.3% of households were food insecure in 2011-2012.



Help Canadians join the middle class by promoting full participation in society and equality of opportunity.

Relative Low Income

12.7% of Canadians had less than half the median after tax income in 2017.



Bottom 40% Income Share

20.4% of total after-tax income went to Canadians in the bottom 40% of the income distribution in 2017.



Youth Engagement

9% of Canadian youth (age 15-24) were not in employment, education or training in 2017.



Literacy and Numeracy

In 2015, 10.7% of 15-year-olds had low literacy skills, 14.4% had low numeracy skills.



Support the middle class by protecting Canadians from falling into poverty and by supporting income security and resilience.

Median Hourly Wage

- Women: \$21.50 (2018)
- Men: \$25.00 (2018)



Average Poverty Gap

For those living below the poverty line, the poverty gap ratio is the amount that the person's family disposable income is below the poverty line, expressed as a percentage of the poverty line. In 2017, it was 35.1%.



Asset Resilience

51.2% of Canadians were asset resilient in 2012, meaning they had enough savings to maintain well-being for three months.



Poverty Entry/Exit Rates

In 2015-16, approximately 840,000, or 3.9% of Canadians, entered poverty. Approximately 1.1 million, or 27.6% of low income Canadians, left poverty.



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