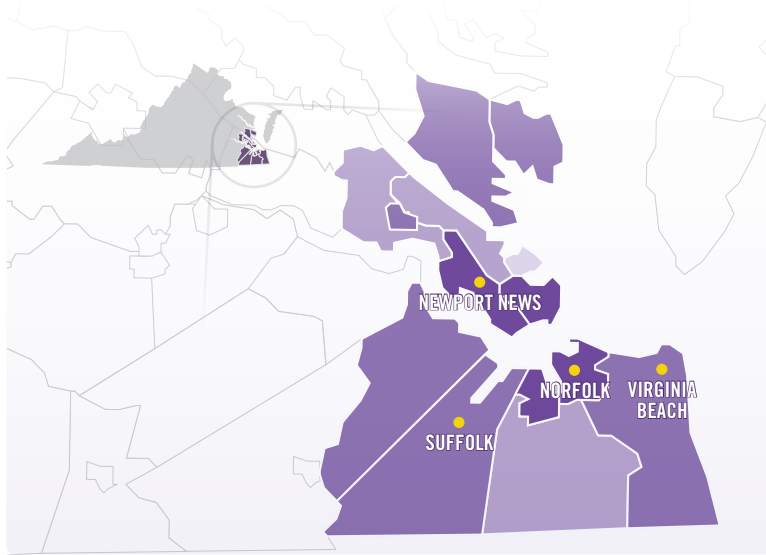


2 IN 5 children are economically disadvantaged in the Hampton Roads Region

1-14% 15-30% 31-44% 45-59%

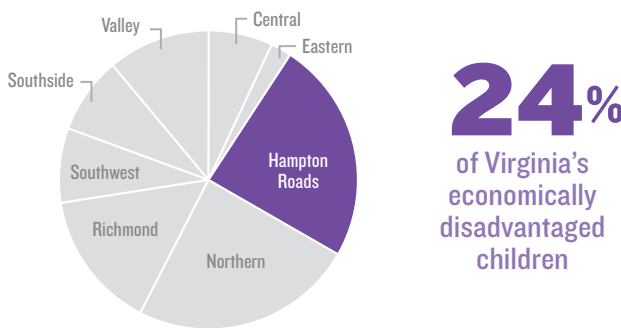


Children living below 200% of the poverty level are economically disadvantaged and live in families that struggle to meet basic needs: food, housing, utilities, child care, and transportation.

THAT'S
147,698 children

ENOUGH TO FILL
2,954 SCHOOL BUSES

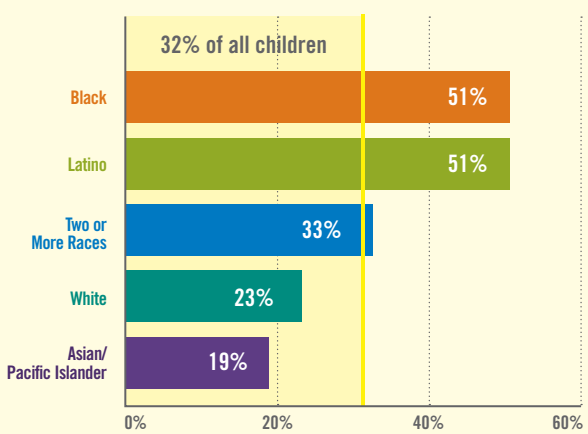
WHICH REPRESENTS



24%
of Virginia's economically disadvantaged children

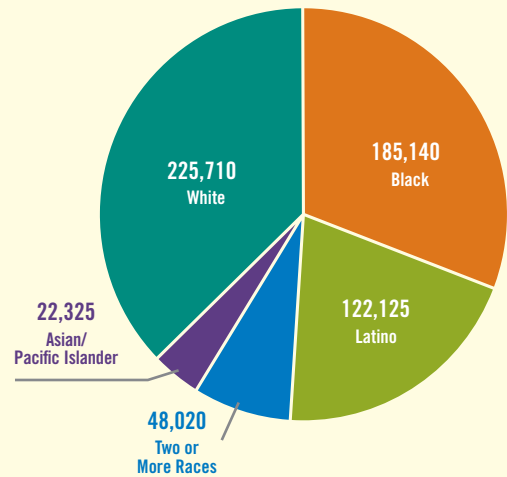
Virginia children of every race and ethnicity face hardship

BLACK AND LATINO CHILDREN ARE MORE LIKELY TO GROW UP IN FAMILIES THAT STRUGGLE TO MEET BASIC NEEDS



Percent of Children Living Below 200% of Poverty by Race and Ethnicity

WHITE CHILDREN MAKE UP THE LARGEST NUMBER OF ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN IN THE COMMONWEALTH



Number of Children Living Below 200% of Poverty by Race and Ethnicity

Over time, a variety of federal, state, and local policy choices have had disproportionate impacts on families living in certain regions or belonging to certain races and ethnicities. Those effects are still felt today. To improve economic opportunity, we must recognize children have different starting points, which may require different policy solutions.

DEMOGRAPHIC		ECONOMIC WELL-BEING		EDUCATION			HEALTH		SAFETY
Locale	Total Child Population (Ages 0-17)	Number of Children Economically Disadvantaged (Below 200% FPL*)	Percent of Children Economically Disadvantaged (Below 200% FPL*)	Pass Rate of Kindergarteners on PALS-K Exam (Fall Kindergarten Readiness Exam)	Pass Rate of Third Graders on SOL Reading Exam		Number of Low-Income Children without Health Insurance (Below 200% FPL*)	Percent of Prenatal Care Beginning in 1st Trimester	Rate of Children Entering Foster Care (Per 1,000 Children)
					Economically Disadvantaged	Not Economically Disadvantaged			
Chesapeake	57,191	17,438	30%	91%	64%	81%	1,295	87%	0.5
Gloucester	7,609	1,976	26%	83%	68%	86%	196	85%	1.4
Hampton	29,828	14,306	48%	89%	61%	80%	607	83%	1.4
Isle of Wight	7,675	2,447	32%	86%	74%	88%	172	89%	0.1
James City	14,743	3,728	25%	included in Williamsburg			338	88%	0.3
Mathews	1,471	516	35%	82%	68%	90%	53	89%	7.1
Newport News	42,540	21,336	50%	90%	58%	76%	1,126	83%	1.8
Norfolk	49,700	28,610	58%	86%	58%	81%	1,448	79%	1.4
Poquoson	2,725	345	13%	91%	83%	87%	42	86%	included in York
Portsmouth	22,616	11,870	52%	82%	55%	78%	446	92%	1.2
Suffolk	21,855	7,761	36%	90%	56%	85%	528	82%	0.2
Virginia Beach	102,788	33,484	33%	88%	76%	89%	2,072	85%	0.9
Williamsburg	1,648	525	32%	87%	59%	86%	74	87%	1.2
York	16,360	3,356	21%	90%	80%	93%	337	62%	0.2
Regional Total	378,749	147,698	39%	-	-	-	8,734	85%	1.4
State Total	1,865,556	620,201	33%	84%	62%	75%	48,166	85%	1.5

*FPL stands for Federal Poverty Level. The federal poverty definition consists of a series of thresholds based on family size and composition. In 2016, a 200% poverty threshold for a family of two adults and two children was \$48,600.

Data helps us ask more questions about what is happening in a community and often does not provide any direct answers. To learn more about the data, sources, or child well-being in your community, please contact KIDS COUNT Director Beth Nolan at beth@vakids.org.

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