

The Status of Women in Florida by County: Poverty & Opportunity

The Status of Women in Florida by County: Poverty & Opportunity is the first in a series produced by the Institute for Women's Policy Research and commissioned by Florida Women's Funding Alliance, an affinity group of Florida Philanthropic Network. This research aims to provide critical data that can help to build economic security and overall well-being among the state's women and girls.

Key Findings: Poverty

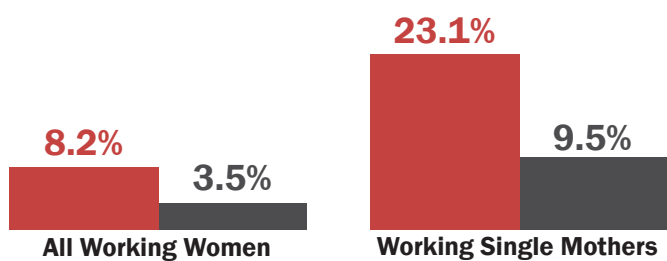
In Florida, 15.4 percent of women aged 18 and older live in poverty, placing the state among the bottom third in the country.

More than one in four women live in poverty in five Florida counties: Hardee, Alachua, Hamilton, DeSoto and Gilchrist.

Poverty & the Gender Wage Gap

If working women in Florida aged 18 and older were paid the same as comparable men, the poverty rate among all working women would fall by **more than half**, from 8.2 percent to 3.5 percent.

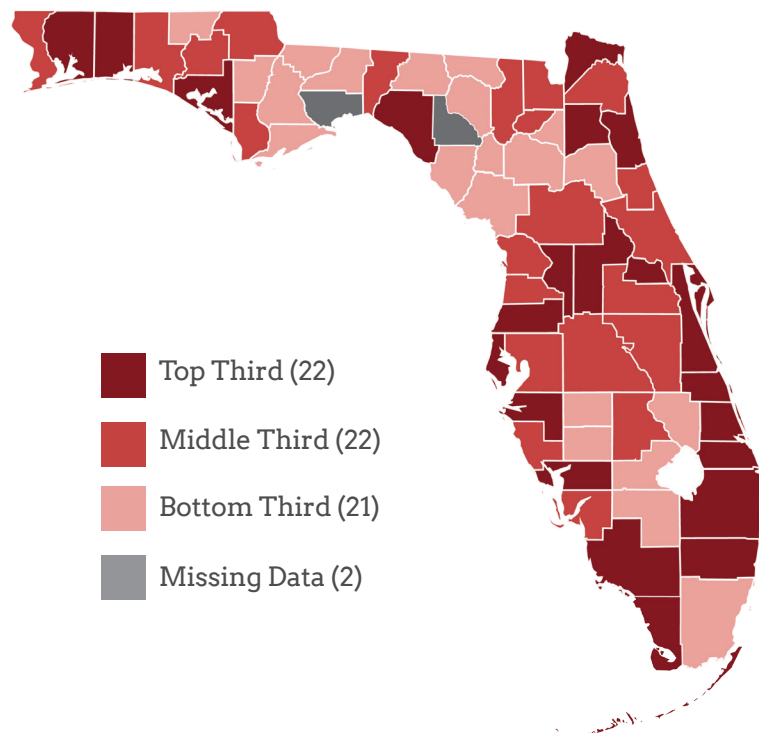
Current Poverty Rate and Estimated Rate if Working Women and Working Single Mothers Earned the Same as Comparable Men



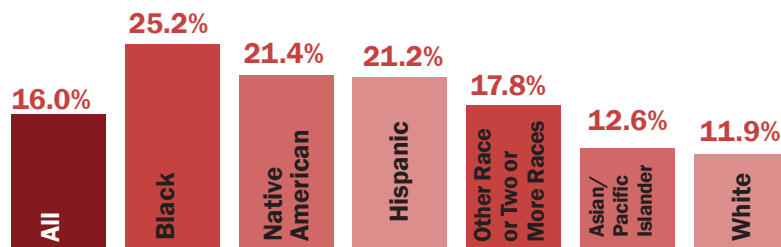
■ Current Poverty Rate
■ Poverty Rate After Pay Adjustment

Comparable = same age, same level of education, working same number of hours, same urban/rural status

Percent of Women In Poverty, Florida Counties, 2014



Poverty for Women in Florida by Race and Ethnicity, 2014



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