

# Poverty and Well-being Profiles

## Walthall County, MS (2019)

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### Populations and Households in Poverty (2018)

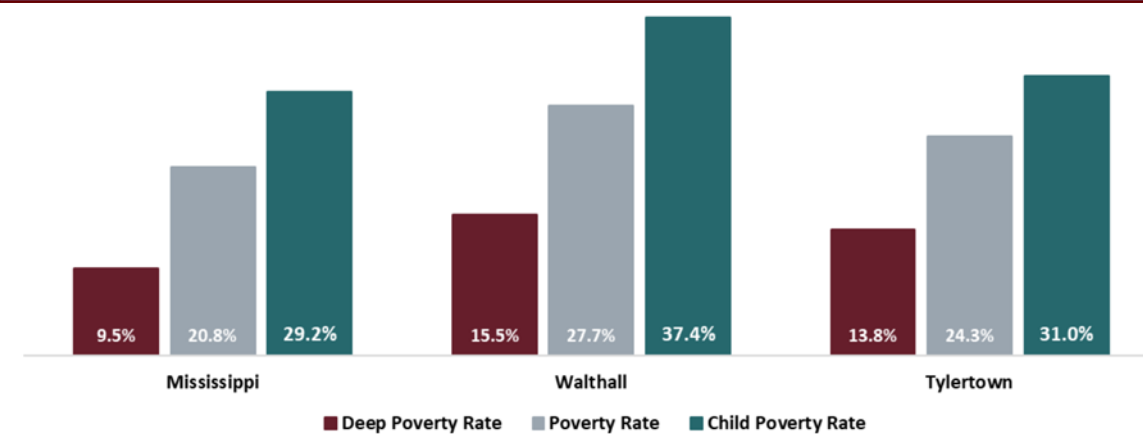
| Category              | Mississippi | Walthall | Tylertown* |
|-----------------------|-------------|----------|------------|
| Population**          | 2,890,347   | 14,384   | 1,636      |
| Households (HH)       | 1,105,576   | 5,683    | 597        |
| Population in Poverty | 599,795     | 3,984    | 398        |
| Child Poverty         | 29.2%       | 37.4%    | 31.0%      |
| Young Adult Poverty   | 24.6%       | 31.3%    | 25.6%      |
| Elder Poverty         | 12.7%       | 20.6%    | 22.6%      |

Child is defined as a person under 18 years of age; young adult is defined as a person between 18 and 34 years of age; elder is aged 65 and over. Source: 2018 Population Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau for 2018 population of state, county, and county seat — Table S1701; Population in poverty for the state versus the United States or county/district and county seat — SAIPE, U.S. Census Bureau.

\*Cities and towns listed in this profile are county seats.

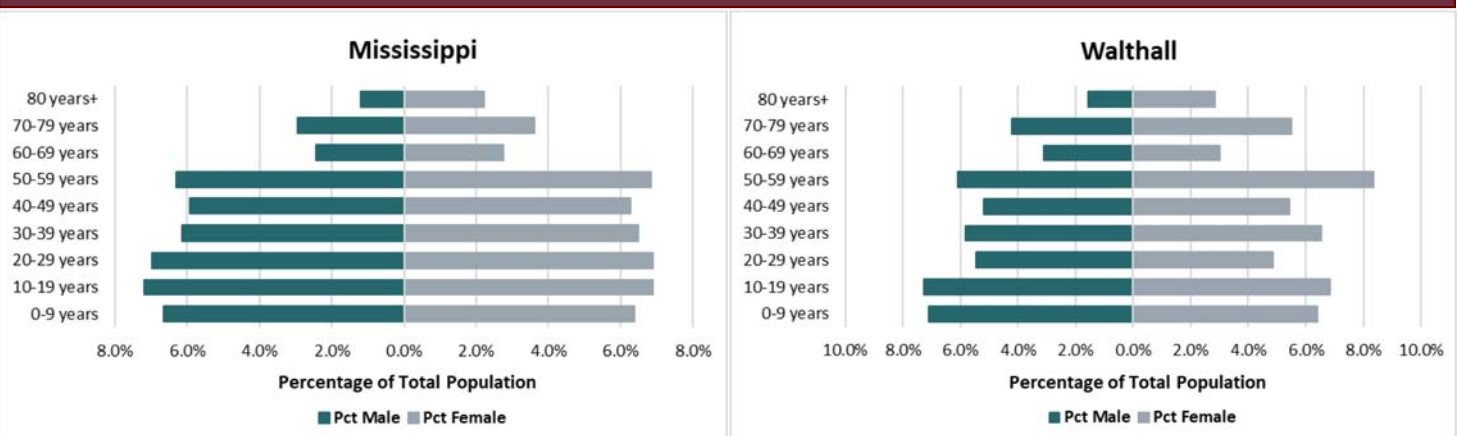
\*\*Total population to determine poverty status — American Community Survey (ACS) Table S1701.

### Poverty Rate Measures (2018)



Source: Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau ACS 2014-2018 five-year estimates for poverty rates of the state versus the United States or county/district and county seat—Table S1701. The U.S. Census Bureau uses a set of money income thresholds that vary by family size and composition to determine who is in poverty.

### Population Pyramid (2018)



Population Pyramid: Shows the age-sex distribution of the given population. Age groups are depicted on the y-axis and the percentage of the population on the x-axis. Gender is shown on the left/right sides. The population pyramid provides a picture of the composition of the population. Source: U.S. Census Bureau ACS 2014-2018 five-year estimates, Table S0101.

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## Asset Poverty (2018)

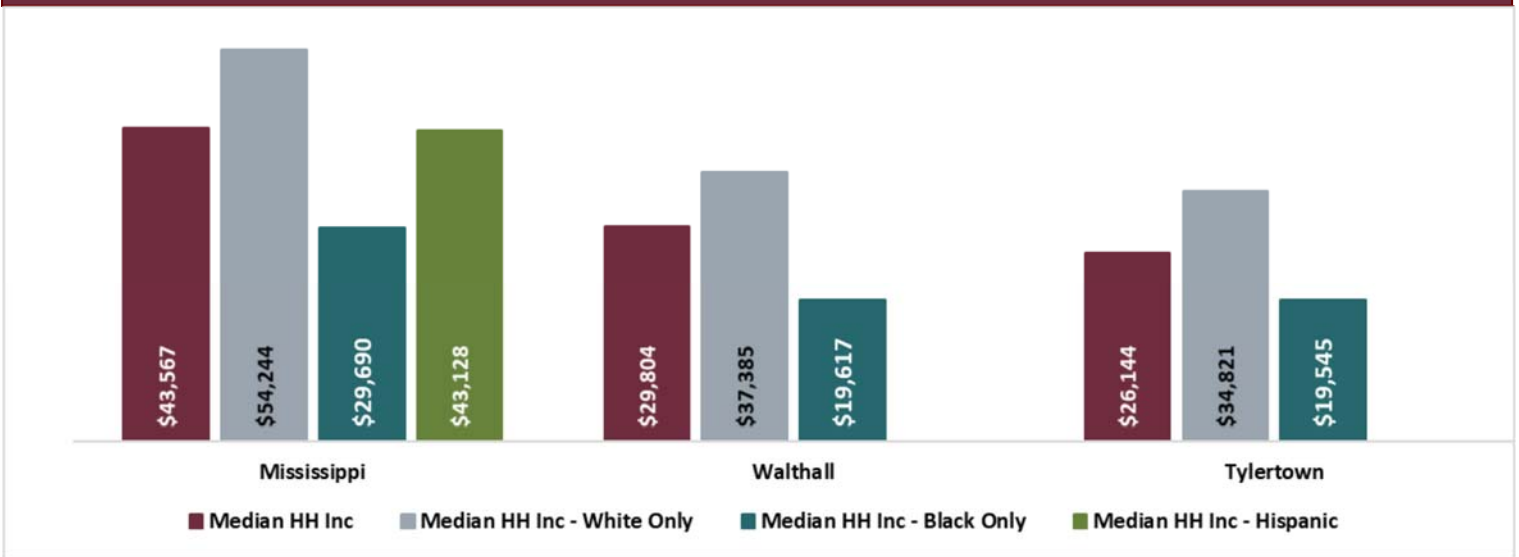
| Category             | Mississippi | Walthall | Tylertown |
|----------------------|-------------|----------|-----------|
| Asset Poverty        | 25.4%       | 20.1%    | N/A       |
| Liquid Asset Poverty | 54.6%       | 49.6%    | N/A       |
| Zero Net Worth       | 16.1%       | 17.4%    | N/A       |
| Unbanked             | 15.8%       | 14.1%    | N/A       |
| Underbanked          | 22.5%       | 26.1%    | N/A       |

## Percentage of Population by Race/Ethnicity (2018)

|             | White Only | Black Only | Hispanic |
|-------------|------------|------------|----------|
| Mississippi | 58.6%      | 37.7%      | 3.0%     |
| Walthall    | 53.0%      | 46.0%      | 0.6%     |
| Tylertown   | N/A        | N/A        | N/A      |

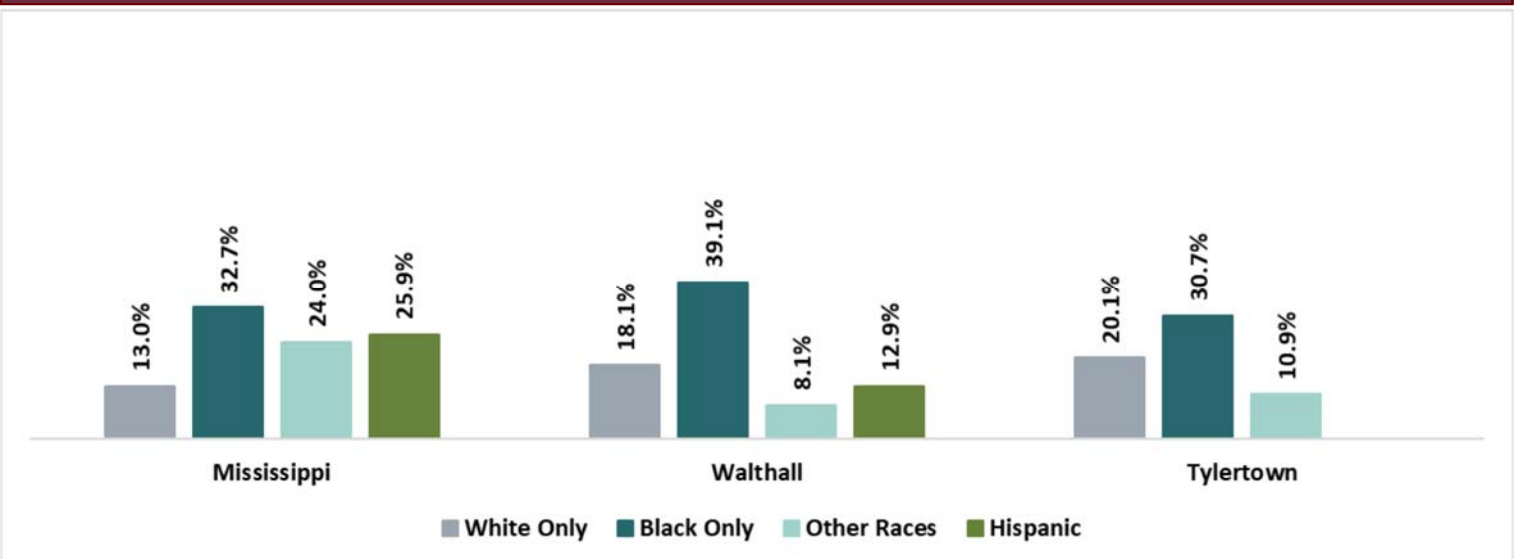
Source: Prosperity Now Scorecard — <https://scorecard.prosperitynow.org/>

## Median Household Income by Race (2018)



Source: Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau ACS 2014-2018 five-year estimates for median household income of the state and county. U.S Census Bureau ACS 2014-2018 five-year estimates for median household income by race—Table B19013.

## Poverty Rate by Race (2018)



Source: U.S Census Bureau ACS 2014-2018 five-year estimates for median household income by race—Table S1701.

## Living Wage (2019)

### Related children under 18 years of age

|                 |              | None    | 1 Child | 2 Children | 3 Children |
|-----------------|--------------|---------|---------|------------|------------|
| <b>1 Adult</b>  | Living Wage  | \$10.35 | \$20.52 | \$23.56    | \$28.34    |
|                 | Poverty Wage | \$6.00  | \$8.13  | \$10.25    | \$12.38    |
| <b>2 Adults</b> |              |         |         |            |            |
| 1 Working FT    | Living Wage  | \$16.93 | \$21.47 | \$23.56    | \$26.98    |
|                 | Poverty Wage | \$8.13  | \$21.47 | \$12.38    | \$14.50    |
| 2 Working FT    | Living Wage  | \$8.47  | \$11.57 | \$13.07    | \$14.86    |
|                 | Poverty Wage | \$4.06  | \$5.13  | \$6.19     | \$7.25     |

Note: The living wage is the hourly rate that an individual must earn to support their family. The values are **per adult in a family**. The minimum wage is \$7.25 per hour. Full-time is considered as 2,080 hours per year. Part-time is defined as fewer than 35 hours per week of work. Living Wage Calculator.

<http://livingwage.mit.edu/>

## Typical Expenses (2019)

| Annual Expense                     | 1 Adult<br>0 Children | 1 Adult<br>1 Child | 1 Adult<br>2 Children | 1 Adult<br>3 Children | 2 Adults<br>(1 wrkg FT)<br>0 Children | 2 Adults<br>(1 wrkg FT)<br>1 Child | 2 Adults<br>(1 wrkg FT)<br>2 Children | 2 Adults<br>(1 wrkg FT)<br>3 Children |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Food                               | \$3,010               | \$4,446            | \$6,682               | \$8,863               | \$5,518                               | \$6,877                            | \$8,872                               | \$10,802                              |
| Child care                         | \$0                   | \$2,916            | \$3,845               | \$4,774               | \$0                                   | \$0                                | \$0                                   | \$0                                   |
| Medical                            | \$2,377               | \$7,673            | \$7,385               | \$7,505               | \$5,137                               | \$7,385                            | \$7,505                               | \$7,406                               |
| Housing                            | \$5,664               | \$7,812            | \$7,812               | \$10,728              | \$5,904                               | \$7,812                            | \$7,812                               | \$10,728                              |
| Transportation                     | \$4,322               | \$8,425            | \$10,689              | \$11,645              | \$8,425                               | \$10,689                           | \$11,645                              | \$12,206                              |
| Other                              | \$2,812               | \$4,688            | \$4,867               | \$6,123               | \$4,688                               | \$4,867                            | \$6,123                               | \$6,126                               |
| Required annual income after taxes | \$18,185              | \$35,960           | \$41,280              | \$49,637              | \$29,672                              | \$37,630                           | \$41,956                              | \$47,269                              |
| Annual taxes                       | \$3,345               | \$6,721            | \$7,729               | \$9,307               | \$5,545                               | \$7,038                            | \$7,858                               | \$8,858                               |
| Required annual income             | \$21,530              | \$42,681           | \$49,009              | \$58,944              | \$35,217                              | \$44,668                           | \$49,814                              | \$56,127                              |

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| Other                              | \$4,688                               | \$4,867                            | \$6,123                               | \$6,126                               |
| Required annual income after taxes | \$29,672                              | \$40,546                           | \$45,801                              | \$52,043                              |
| Annual taxes                       | \$5,545                               | \$7,590                            | \$8,586                               | \$9,763                               |
| Required annual income             | \$35,217                              | \$48,136                           | \$54,388                              | \$61,806                              |

# Definitions of Measures and Data Sources

| Measure                              | Definition   | Data Source  |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Poverty rate                         | Number of people with household income at or below 100% of the poverty threshold based on household size.  |  |
| Deep poverty                         | Household incomes below 50% of the poverty threshold based on household size.  | Small Area Income And Poverty Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey 2014-2018 five-year estimates for median household income. |
| Poverty threshold                    | Income dollar amount to determine a household's poverty status. Thresholds vary according to the size of the household and the ages of its members.  |  |
| Household income                     | Income of the householder and all other people 15 years and older in the household.  |  |
| Median household income              | The point that divides the household income distribution into halves, one-half with income above the median and the other with income below the median.  |  |
| <b>Assets and Financial Security</b> |  |  |
| Net worth                            | Assets minus liabilities (i.e., how much a person owns minus what they owe to others).   |  |
| Zero net worth                       | Percentage of households that have zero or negative net worth.   |  |
| (Liquid) asset poverty               | Percentage of households without sufficient liquid assets to subsist at the poverty level for three months under a financial crisis such as a job loss, medical emergency, or the need to fix a car. | Prosperity Now Scorecard, Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) 2014, U.S. Census Bureau.  |
| Liquid asset                         | Includes cash on hand or an asset that can be readily converted to cash (e.g., bank account, other interest-earning account, equity in stocks and mutual funds, and retirement accounts).            |  |
| Unbanked                             | Percentage of households not having a checking, savings, or money market account.  | National Survey of Unbanked and Underbanked Households, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.   |
| Underbanked                          | Percentage of households having a checking or savings account, but also obtaining financial products and services outside of the banking system.   |  |

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