#### **ALICE IN ST. CHARLES PARISH**

2023 Point-in-Time Data



Population: 51,863 • Number of Households: 18,622 Median Household Income: \$82,172 (state: \$58,229) Labor Force Participation Rate: 64.8% (state: 59.2%)

ALICE Households: 32% (state: 30%) • Households in Poverty: 11% (state: 19%)

# Trends in Financial Hardship

ALICE is an acronym for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed – households that earn more than the Federal Poverty Level, but less than the basic cost of living for the county (the ALICE Threshold). Households below the ALICE Threshold – ALICE households plus those in poverty – can't afford the essentials.

Households move below or above the ALICE Threshold as economic factors and circumstances change. The line graph to the right shows the number of ALICE and poverty-level households (solid blue lines), as well as the trend over time (dotted gray lines). By 2023, 7,925 households (43%) were below the ALICE Threshold in St. Charles Parish.

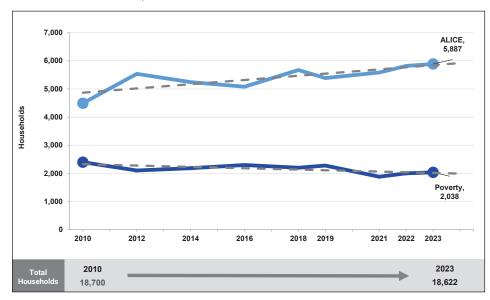
#### The Cost of Basics Outpaces Wages

The Household Survival Budget reflects the minimum cost to live and work in the current economy and includes housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, technology, and taxes. It does not include savings for emergencies or future goals like college or retirement. The Household Survival Budget is calculated at the county level and by household composition, as costs can vary greatly depending on location and household needs.

In 2023, household costs in St. Charles Parish were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$14,580 for a single adult and \$30,000 for a family of four.

To see costs for different household compositions in St. Charles Parish, visit <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Household-Budgets/Louisiana</u>

## ALICE and Poverty-Level Households, St. Charles Parish, 2010–2023



Note: See an interactive version of this data at <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Louisiana</u> Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2010–2023; American Community Survey, 2010–2023

	Single Adult	2 Adults, 1 Infant, 1 Preschooler
Monthly Costs		
Housing	\$968	\$1,348
Child Care	-	\$1,421
Food	\$526	\$1,429
Transportation	\$456	\$983
Health Care	\$186	\$850
Technology	\$86	\$116
Miscellaneous	\$222	\$615
Taxes	\$379	\$742
Monthly Total	\$2,823	\$7,504

\$33,876

\$16.94

Household Survival Budget, St. Charles Parish, 2023

ANNUAL TOTAL

Hourly Wage\*

For ALICE Houehold Survival Budget sources, visit <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Methodology</u>

\$90,048

\$45.02

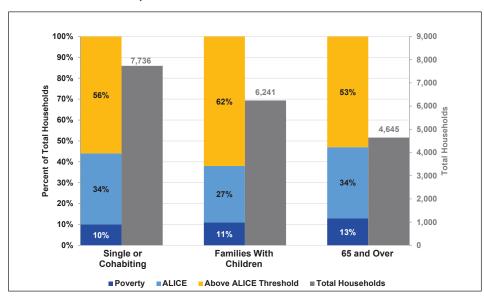
<sup>\*</sup>Full-time wage required to support this budget

#### Financial Hardship is Not Evenly Distributed

The largest demographic groups in the county also tend to have the largest number of households below the ALICE Threshold. However, when looking at the percentage of each group that is below the Threshold, some groups face higher rates of hardship.

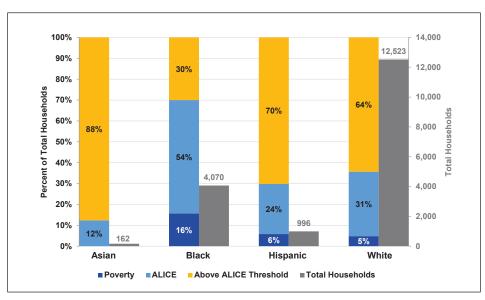
Explore more demographic data at <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Louisiana</u> and visit <u>UnitedForALICE.org/Mapping-Tool</u> to see ALICE data for all available geographies.

## Household Financial Status by Household Type, St. Charles Parish, 2023



Note: Families with children include married-parent, single-female-headed, and single-male-headed households. Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2023; American Community Survey, 2023

## Household Financial Status by Race/Ethnicity, St. Charles Parish, 2023



Note: Asian, Black, and White racial categories are for one race alone. Race and Hispanic ethnicity are overlapping categories. The Asian and Black groups may include Hispanic households; the White group includes only White, non-Hispanic households. The Hispanic ethnic group may include households of any race. Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2023; American Community Survey, 2023

St. Charles Parish, 2023			
Town	Total Households	% ALICE & Poverty	
Ama CDP	536	48%	
Bayou Gauche CDP	510	12%	
Boutte CDP	818	41%	
Des Allemands CDP	849	32%	
Destrehan CDP	4,333	35%	
Hahnville CDP	1,178	48%	
Killona CDP	118	80%	
Luling CDP	5,190	44%	
Montz CDP	752	33%	
New Sarpy CDP	436	61%	
Norco CDP	1,242	51%	
Paradis CDP	333	47%	
St. Rose CDP	2,441	52%	

Note: Municipal-level data on this page is 1- or 5-year averages for U.S. Census Bureau Places, which include Incorporated Places and Census Designated Places (CDPs). Counties and Places with populations over 65,000 are 1-year averages; otherwise, they are 5-year averages. Geographies with fewer than 100 households are not included. Therefore, totals will not match the county-level numbers.