

Poverty Symposium 2016

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The Demographics

The 5-9 year old age group is the most populous.



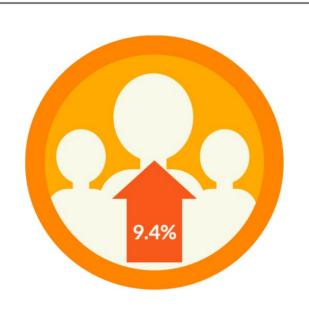
This group represents 9.5% of the population, or 1,015 people.

The fastest growing group is the over 80-84 age group.



This group has increased by 40% since 2006.

Population of 10,713 in 2011.



The Population has increased by 9.4% since 2006.

Children age 0-14 represent 27.4% of the population.



This is higher than the national (16.7%) and provincial (17%) averages.

The median age is 32.3 years.



This is up from 30.9 years in 2006.

The Realities

Work



19.3% of the employed labor force are in trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations.

17.5% are in management occupations.

Food



In Waterloo Region, the cost of eating healthy for a family of four in 2015 was \$842.75 per month.

This is an increase of 5% since 2014.

Income



The median after-tax family income for lone parent families in 2010 was \$61,155.

For couple families with children it was \$84,976, and \$69,445 for those without children.

Education



21.1% of adults age 25-64 have a high school education.

44.1% have a post-secondary education.

34.7% have no certificate, degree or diploma.

6% of families are lone-parent led.



approximately \$24,000 less than couple-with-children families.



67% of lone-parents are female.

14.4% of the population, or 1,545 people, are living at or below the Low Income Measure - After-Tax Line.



675 of these people are children under 18.

To be considered affordable, a household should spend no more than 30% of its income on housing costs.

Many households spend more than this.

Homeowners 14% Renters 23%

In Ontario, the low income cut-off for annual income is \$22,720.



The annual income for a person on minimum wage is \$20,075.



In Waterloo Region, 1 in 4 adults had an income of less than \$14,000 in 2010.

