

### POVERTY IN ONTARIO, 1979

- 924,000 persons in families with incomes below Statistics Canada low income cut-offs; 11.1% of Ontario's total population.
- 32.4% of total poor in Canada.
- 62% of poor adults in Ontario are women.

- *Poverty by age*

AGE	NUMBER OF POOR	% OF TOTAL POOR	POOR AS A % OF TOTAL IN AGE GROUP
0-17	271,000	29	11.3
18-64	445,000	48	8.8
65+	208,000	23	23.4
		<u>100</u>	

- About half the poor are adults under age 65.

- *Poverty by family type*

FAMILY TYPE	NUMBER OF POOR	% OF TOTAL POOR	POOR AS A % OF TOTAL IN FAMILY TYPE
Unattached individuals	274,000	30	30.3
Two-parent families*	300,000	32	6.3
One-parent families*	204,000	22	41.7
Couples/adult families	146,000	16	6.7
		<u>100</u>	

(\*With children under 18)

- 54% of poor are in families with children.