

POVERTY IN QUEBEC, 1979

- 813,000 persons in families with incomes below Statistics Canada low income cut-offs; 13.5% of Quebec's total population.
- 28.7% of total poor in Canada.
- 62% of poor adults in Quebec are women.
- *Poverty by age*

AGE	NUMBER OF POOR	% OF TOTAL POOR	POOR AS A % OF TOTAL IN AGE GROUP
0-17	229,000	28	13.4
18-64	421,000	52	11.4
65+	163,000	20	26.5
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- Over 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	231,000	29	39.3
Two-parent families*	294,000	36	8.5
One-parent families*	140,000	17	45.4
Couples/adult families	148,000	18	8.8
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(*With children under 18)

- 53% of poor are in families with children.