

Table 4

 CHARACTERISTICS ASSOCIATED WITH AN AVERAGE (25-50%) INCIDENCE
 OF LOW INCOME FAMILIES^a, NOVA SCOTIA

Characteristics	All Families ^a		Low Income Families		Incidence of Low Income ^b
	Number (1)	Per Cent (2)	Number (3)	Per Cent (4)	
Total Families	146,825	100.0	54,929	100.0	37.4
Major Income Source					
Rural Non-Farm					
- employment	48,491	32.8	20,012	36.4	41.5
Recipients					
- husband or father only	70,050	47.7	27,018	49.2	38.6
- husband and wife	37,208	25.3	12,504	22.8	33.6
Number of Recipients					
- one	76,654	52.2	33,061	60.2	43.1
- two	54,746	37.3	18,573	33.8	33.9
Geographic Distribution					
Urban Families	87,224	59.4	23,866	43.4	27.3
Counties - Annapolis	4,221	2.9	2,059	(3.2)	48.8
- Antigonish	1,793	1.2	875	(1.4)	48.8
- Colchester	6,677	4.5	3,195	(5.0)	47.9
- Kings	7,762	5.3	3,552	(5.5)	45.8
- Cape Breton	26,561	18.1	10,475	(16.4)	39.4
- Halifax	47,857	32.6	12,276	(19.2)	25.7
Towns and Cities					
Glace Bay	5,255	3.6	1,892	3.4	36.0
Amherst	2,529	1.7	865	1.6	34.2
New Waterford	2,102	1.4	652	1.2	31.0
Truro	3,085	2.1	938	1.7	30.4
Family					
Size - two persons	40,679	27.7	18,387	(28.8)	45.2
- three persons	30,572	20.8	11,747	(18.4)	38.4
- four persons	28,117	19.1	11,076	(17.3)	39.4
- five persons	19,772	13.5	9,484	(14.8)	48.0
- six+ persons	27,685	18.6	13,205	(20.7)	47.7
Husband/Wife Families	131,311	89.4	44,533	(81.1)	33.9
Broken Families - Male Head	2,954	2.0	1,397	2.5	47.3
Male Head - all ages	134,265	91.4	45,930	83.6	34.2
- under 25	7,131	4.6	3,170	5.8	44.5
- 25 - 34	29,403	20.0	8,728	15.9	29.7
- 45 - 54	29,048	19.8	7,999	14.6	27.5
- 55 - 64	16,907	11.5	6,349	11.6	37.6
With No Children under 25	40,485	27.6	19,358	35.2	47.8
With All Children under 16	71,705	48.8	25,512	46.4	35.6
With Children under 16 and 16-24	22,522	15.3	6,046	11.0	26.8
- with no children 16-24 at school	8,962	6.1	2,844	5.2	27.8
- with children 16-18 at school	11,431	7.8	2,884	5.3	25.2
With Children 16-24 only	12,113	8.2	3,977	7.2	32.8
- with no children 16-24 at school	6,225	4.2	2,068	3.8	33.2
- with children 16-18 at school	4,403	3.0	1,636	3.0	37.2
Labour Force					
Male Heads - all occupations	112,569	76.7	30,382	55.3	26.9
- transport and communications	10,654	7.3	3,386	6.2	31.8
- miners, quarrymen	5,816	4.0	1,565	2.8	26.9
- craftsmen and production	33,860	23.1	9,390	17.1	27.7
- not stated	1,194	.8	404	.7	33.8
Households					
Family Maintaining Own Household	136,494	93.0	48,672	88.6	35.7
Owned	101,480	69.1	38,101	69.4	37.5
Rented	37,211	25.3	11,167	20.3	30.0
Housing					
Type of Dwelling					
single detached	106,138	72.3	40,030	72.9	37.7
single attached	11,666	7.9	4,145	7.5	35.5
Number of Rooms - 4 to 5	51,908	34.8	40,030	32.4	37.7
6+	74,474	50.7	24,848	45.2	33.4
Refrigeration Facilities - mechanical	122,131	83.2	37,209	67.7	30.5
Television Set	121,157	82.5	37,495	68.3	30.9
Automobiles	91,346	62.2	23,157	42.2	25.4
Number of Persons per Room					
less than 1	88,328	60.2	23,157	58.3	36.3
1 or more	50,363	34.3	17,242	31.4	34.2
Single Detached Owner Occupied	91,489	62.3	34,820	63.4	38.1
Value - \$3,000 - \$7,477	32,621	22.2	13,791	25.1	42.3
Condition - Good	65,295	44.5	20,569	37.4	31.5
Not Mortgaged	65,288	44.5	30,902	56.3	47.3
Tenant Occupied Family Households					
Condition - in need of minor repair	11,188	7.6	4,305	7.8	38.5
Holder of Mortgage on Single Detached Owner Occupied Family Households					
Private Individual	4,105	2.8	1,216	2.2	29.6
Place of Birth of Head					
Canada	136,692	93.1	52,016	94.7	38.1
Immigrated Prior to 1946	7,039	4.8	2,231	4.1	31.7

^aNon-Farm Families.^bCol. (3) as a percentage of col. (1).

() indicates percentage of 63,899, the number of low-income family households using Criterion B, income varied with size of family.

Source: Derived from D.B.S., 1961 Census of Canada.