

### POVERTY IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1979

- 17,000 persons in families with incomes below Statistics Canada low income cut-offs; 15.0% of Prince Edward Island's total population.
- 0.6% of total poor in Canada.
- 55% of poor adults in Prince Edward Island are women.
- *Poverty by age*

AGE	NUMBER OF POOR	% OF TOTAL POOR	POOR AS A % OF TOTAL IN AGE GROUP
0-17	6,000	35	16.2
18-64	8,000	47	12.4
65+	3,000	18	22.7
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- Over one-third of the poor are children.

- *Poverty by family type*

FAMILY TYPE	NUMBER OF POOR	% OF TOTAL POOR	POOR AS A % OF TOTAL IN FAMILY TYPE
Unattached individuals	4,000	24	39.1
Two-parent families*	7,000	40	10.6
One-parent families*	4,000	24	39.7
Couples/adult families	2,000	12	8.6
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(\*With children under 18)

- 66% of poor are in families with children.