

Table 3

CHARACTERISTICS ASSOCIATED WITH AN ABOVE AVERAGE (50-75%)

INCIDENCE OF LOW INCOME FAMILIES^a, NOVA SCOTIA, 1961

Characteristics	All Families ^a		Low Income Families		Incidence of Low Income ^b
	Number	Per Cent	Number	Per Cent	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
Total Families	146,825	100.0	54,929	100.0	37.4
Major Income Source					
Recipients - Wife or Mother only and/or Children	13,018	8.9	9,337	17.0	71.7
Geographic Distribution					
Rural Non-Farm Families	59,601	40.6	31,063	56.6	52.2
Counties - Guysborough	2,448	1.6	1,778	(2.8)	72.6
- Digby	3,980	2.7	2,787	(4.4)	70.0
- Shelburne	3,409	2.3	2,384	(3.7)	69.9
- Victoria	1,397	1.0	937	(1.5)	67.1
- Richmond	2,087	1.4	1,352	(2.1)	64.8
- Inverness	2,607	1.7	1,669	(2.6)	64.0
- Cumberland	7,550	5.1	4,745	(7.4)	62.8
- Yarmouth	4,814	3.3	2,942	(4.6)	61.1
- Lunenburg	7,387	5.0	4,211	(6.6)	57.0
- Hants	4,747	3.2	2,641	(4.1)	55.6
- Queens	2,910	2.0	1,524	(2.4)	52.4
- Pictou	8,618	5.9	4,497	(7.0)	52.2
Family					
Broken Families - Female Head	12,560	8.6	8,999	16.4	71.6
Male Head - Age 65 - 69	6,736	4.6	3,902	7.1	57.9
70+	10,741	7.3	7,456	13.6	69.4
Female Head - Age 45 - 54	2,518	1.7	1,740	3.2	69.1
55 - 64	1,865	1.3	1,176	2.1	63.1
65 - 69	962	.7	588	1.1	61.1
70+	2,438	1.7	1,350	2.5	55.4
Labour Force					
Male Head - farm workers	1,228	.8	883	1.6	71.9
- fishermen, trappers and hunters	4,477	3.0	2,943	5.4	65.7
- labourers	6,567	4.5	3,862	7.0	58.8
Male Head in Non-Current Labour Force	4,818	3.3	2,864	5.2	59.4
Female Head Not in Labour Force	8,751	6.0	6,358	11.6	72.7
Education					
Male Head - elementary	60,889	41.5	30,536	55.6	50.2
Female Head - secondary	6,057	4.1	4,227	7.7	69.8
Household					
Family Not Maintaining Own Household	10,331	7.0	6,257	11.4	60.6
Living In: Related	8,494	5.8	5,165	9.4	60.8
Other	1,837	1.3	1,092	2.0	59.4
Housing					
Number of Rooms - 1 to 3	13,119	8.9	6,619	12.1	50.5
Refrigeration Facilities -					
- icebox or other	2,193	1.5	1,473	2.7	67.2
- none	14,367	9.8	10,586	1.5	73.7
Single Detached Owner Occupied -					
Value - under \$3,000	23,711	16.1	16,285	29.6	68.7
Condition - in need of repair					
- minor	20,127	13.7	10,396	18.9	51.7
- major	6,067	4.1	3,846	7.0	63.3
Tenant Occupied Family Households					
Condition - in need of major repair	4,483	3.1	2,458	4.5	54.8

^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.