## Profile of Working Families With Children

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### Low-Income\(^1\) Working Families | Other Working Families
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Under 20 | Under 20
20-29 | 20-29
30-39 | 30-39
40-49 | 40-49
50 or Older | 50 or Older

### Age
- Under 20: 1.9%
- 20-29: 30.6%
- 30-39: 39.1%
- 40-49: 20.6%
- 50 or Older: 7.8%
- Under 20: 0.7%
- 20-29: 9.6%
- 30-39: 40.4%
- 40-49: 39.1%
- 50 or Older: 10.2%

### Marital Status
- Married: 57.6%
- Divorced: 20.5%
- Separated: 5.2%
- Widowed: 2.1%
- Never Married: 14.6%
- Married: 80.1%
- Divorced: 13.4%
- Separated: 1.4%
- Widowed: 0.7%
- Never Married: 4.4%

### Race
- Black: 9.6%
- American Indian: 4.4%
- Asian/Pacific Islander: 4.6%
- White: 81.3%
- Black: 2.1%
- American Indian: 1.3%
- Asian/Pacific Islander: 6.2%
- White: 90.5%

### Hispanic Origin?
- Yes: 15.2%
- No: 84.8%
- Yes: 3.6%
- No: 96.4%

### Is English the Primary Language in the Household?
- Yes: 88.4%
- No: 11.6%
- Yes: 97.7%
- No: 2.3%

### Highest Level of School Completed
- Less Than High School: 14.0%
- High School or GED: 30.9%
- Some College: 39.3%
- Bachelor’s Degree: 12.1%
- Graduate or Professional: 3.6%
- Less Than High School: 2.4%
- High School or GED: 23.8%
- Some College: 35.5%
- Bachelor’s Degree: 25.4%
- Graduate or Professional: 12.8%

### Do You Consider Your Main Job Temporary?
- Yes: 25.3%
- No: 74.7%
- Yes: 10.8%
- No: 89.2%

### Are Paid Vacation & Sick Leave Provided by Current Employer?
- Yes: 64.1%
- No: 35.9%
- Yes: 79.5%
- No: 20.6%

### Number of Weeks Worked in 1997
- None: 6.0%
- 1-26 Weeks: 13.4%
- 27-49 Weeks: 18.1%
- 50-52 Weeks: 62.6%
- None: 1.3%
- 1-26 Weeks: 4.5%
- 27-49 Weeks: 9.4%
- 50-52 Weeks: 84.9%

### Had Health Insurance Coverage For Seven Months in 1997?
- Yes: 72.6%
- No: 27.4%
- Yes: 94.8%
- No: 5.2%

### Had Health Insurance Coverage For All Twelve Months in 1997?
- Yes: 67.1%
- No: 32.9%
- Yes: 90.4%
- No: 9.6%

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1. Households below 200% of the federal poverty level are defined as low-income.
2. Totals may not sum to 100 percent due to rounding.

**Source:** [1998 Washington State Population Survey](http://www.ofm.wa.gov/sps/index.htm), households with at least one child under 18 and at least one working adult.

More information about the survey is available at: [www.ofm.wa.gov/sps/index.htm](http://www.ofm.wa.gov/sps/index.htm)
Percent\(^1\) of Working Families With Children in Washington State That Are Low-Income\(^2\)

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\(^1\)Although a larger percentage of working families in eastern Washington are low-income, more low-income families live in the Puget Sound area.

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