



ALICE IN LOUISIANA: A FINANCIAL HARDSHIP STUDY

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Figure 4

Household Survival Budget, Louisiana, Average, 2018			
	SINGLE (ADULT)	SENIOR (1ADULT)	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 PRESCHOOLER
Monthly Costs			
Housing	\$621	\$621	\$841
Child Care	\$—	\$—	\$1,136
Food	\$275	\$234	\$832
Transportation	\$382	\$336	\$850
Health Care	\$212	\$500	\$844
Technology	\$55	\$55	\$75
Miscellaneous	\$184	\$205	\$528
Taxes	\$292	\$299	\$705
Monthly Total	\$2,021	\$2,250	\$5,811
ANNUAL TOTAL (ALICE Threshold)	\$24,252	\$27,000	\$69,732
Hourly Wage*	\$12.13	\$13.50	\$34.87

KEY TERMS

Household Survival Budget

The bare-minimum costs of basic necessities (see Figure 4).

ALICE Threshold

The average income needed to afford the Household Survival Budget. Households below the ALICE Threshold include both ALICE and poverty-level households.

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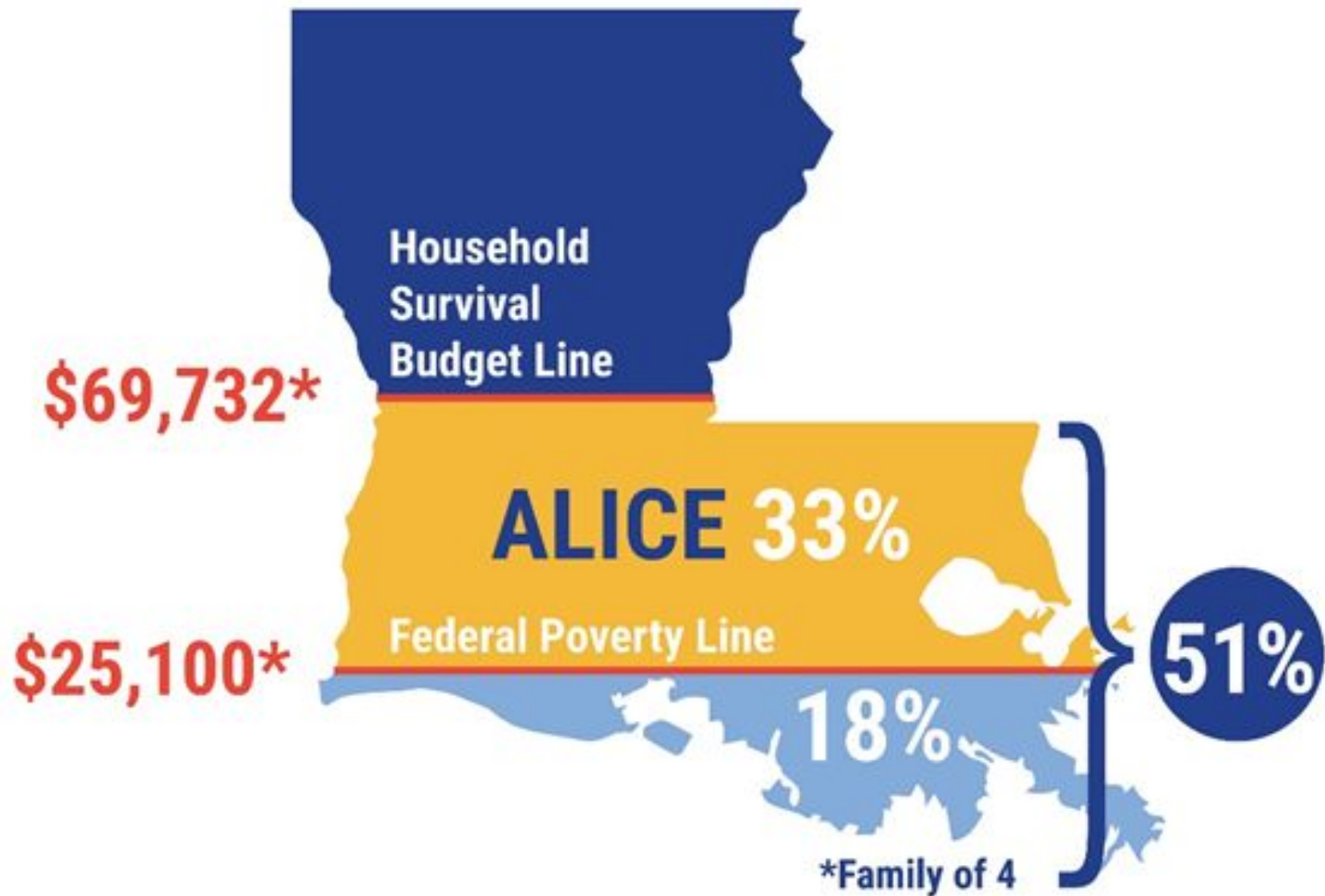
Households with income above the Federal Poverty Level but below the basic cost of living.

Poverty

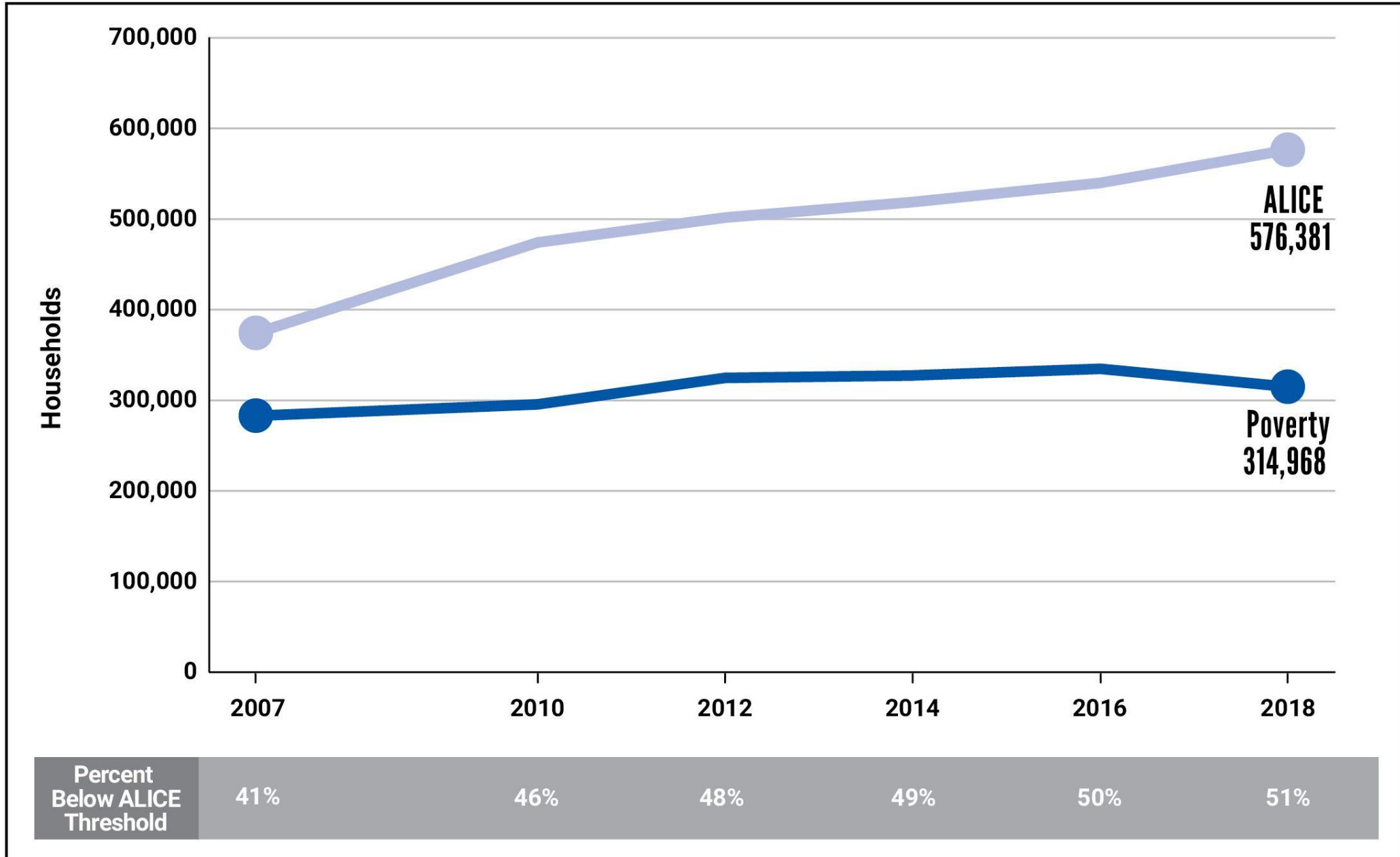
Households earning below the Federal Poverty Level**.

*Full-time wage required to support this budget

**Federal Poverty Level for the family types listed above: Single Adult Household = \$12,140 and Family of Four = \$25,100. For more family types, visit UnitedforALICE.org



Households by Income, Louisiana, 2007-2018



Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2007-2018; American Community Survey, 2007-2018