# Poverty and Inequality in East Palo Alto

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### 1. Poverty

Figure 1 - 1: Overall Poverty Rate

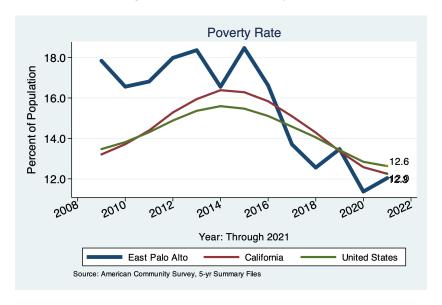


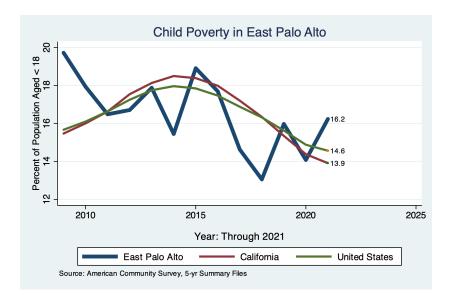
Table 1.1: Poverty Rates by Race/Ethnicity

|  |            |       | Poverty         |
|--|------------|-------|-----------------|
| Race/Enthnicity                            | Population | #     | % of Population |
| White Alone                                | 10,670     | 1,721 | 16.1            |
| African American Alone                     | 3,207      | 305   | 9.5             |
| American Indian and Alaska Native          | 683        | 175   | 25.6            |
| Asian Alone                                | 1,934      | 170   | 8.8             |
| Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander | 1,874      | 358   | 19.1            |
| Some Other Race Alone                      | 8,617      | 761   | 8.8             |
| Two or More Races                          | 2,847      | 101   | 3.5             |
| White Alone, Not Hispanic or Latino        | 4,105      | 235   | 5.7             |
| Hispanic or Latino                         | 17,855     | 2,509 | 14.1            |
| All Races                                  | 29,832     | 3,591 | 12.0            |

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File



Figure 1 - 2: Child Poverty Rate



Number of Children (< 18) Living in Poverty: 1,359



Table 1.2: Poverty Rates by Age and Sex

|          | Male       |        |         |            | Female     |      |         |
|----------|------------|--------|---------|------------|------------|------|---------|
|          | Nur        | nber   | Poverty | Nur        | Number Pov |      | Poverty |
| Age      | In Poverty | Total  | Rate    | In Poverty | Total      | Rate | Rate    |
| < 5      | 177        | 815    | 21.7    | 94         | 845        | 11.1 | 16.3    |
| 5        | 98         | 491    | 20.0    | 146        | 304        | 48.0 | 30.7    |
| 6 to 11  | 177        | 908    | 19.5    | 194        | 1,357      | 14.3 | 16.4    |
| 12 to 14 | 26         | 378    | 6.9     | 139        | 462        | 30.1 | 19.6    |
| 15       | 42         | 173    | 24.3    | 12         | 19         | 63.2 | 28.1    |
| 16 to 17 | 99         | 578    | 17.1    | 155        | 682        | 22.7 | 20.2    |
| 18 to 24 | 49         | 1,368  | 3.6     | 222        | 1,519      | 14.6 | 9.4     |
| 25 to 34 | 248        | 2,787  | 8.9     | 97         | 2,707      | 3.6  | 6.3     |
| 35 to 44 | 203        | 2,193  | 9.3     | 368        | 2,191      | 16.8 | 13.0    |
| 45 to 54 | 227        | 2,067  | 11.0    | 187        | 1,894      | 9.9  | 10.5    |
| 55 to 64 | 7          | 1,737  | 0.4     | 140        | 1,841      | 7.6  | 4.1     |
| 65 to 74 | 82         | 635    | 12.9    | 69         | 758        | 9.1  | 10.8    |
| 75+      | 96         | 415    | 23.1    | 237        | 708        | 33.5 | 29.7    |
| All Ages | 1,531      | 14,545 | 10.5    | 2,060      | 15,287     | 13.5 | 12.0    |

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

**Table 1.3: Income Relative to the Poverty Line** 

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|---|-----------------|--------------|------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Income Group  | % of Population | Cumulative % | Group Population |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 50%   | 5.1             | 5.1          | 1,536            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 50% - 99%   | 6.9             | 12.0         | 2,055            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 100% - 124%   | 2.8             | 14.9         | 847              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 125% - 149%   | 5.4             | 20.3         | 1,612            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 150% - 184%   | 3.8             | 24.0         | 1,124            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 185% - 199%   | 2.4             | 26.5         | 728              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 200% +  | 73.5            | 100.0        | 21,930           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total   | 100.0           | 100.0        | 29,832           |  |  |  |  |  |

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Table 1.4: Poverty Rates by Sex and Education

|                             | Male       |       |         |            | Total  |      |         |
|-----------------------------|------------|-------|---------|------------|--------|------|---------|
|                             | Nun        | nber  | Poverty | Nur        | Number |      | Poverty |
| Education                   | In Poverty | Total | Rate    | In Poverty | Total  | Rate | Rate    |
| Less than High School       | 294        | 2,822 | 10.4    | 435        | 2,416  | 18.0 | 13.9    |
| High School Grad (& Equiv)  | 85         | 2,350 | 3.6     | 151        | 1,866  | 8.1  | 5.6     |
| Some College, Assoc Degree  | 357        | 2,292 | 15.6    | 184        | 2,967  | 6.2  | 10.3    |
| Bachelor's degree or higher | 127        | 2,370 | 5.4     | 328        | 2,850  | 11.5 | 8.7     |
| Total:                      | 863        | 9,834 | 8.8     | 1,098      | 10,099 | 10.9 | 9.8     |

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Universe: Population 25 years old and over.



Table 1.5: Poverty Rates by Sex and Work Experience

|                               | Male       |                |      |            | Total  |         |         |
|-------------------------------|------------|----------------|------|------------|--------|---------|---------|
|                               | Nur        | Number Poverty |      | Nur        | nber   | Poverty | Poverty |
| Work Experience               | In Poverty | Total          | Rate | In Poverty | Total  | Rate    | Rate    |
| Worked full time, year-round  | 195        | 6,913          | 2.8  | 56         | 4,950  | 1.1     | 2.1     |
| Worked part-time or part-year | 319        | 2,403          | 13.3 | 405        | 2,731  | 14.8    | 14.1    |
| Did not work                  | 497        | 2,464          | 20.2 | 1,014      | 4,619  | 22.0    | 21.3    |
| Total:                        | 1,011      | 11,780         | 8.6  | 1,475      | 12,300 | 12.0    | 10.3    |

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Universe: Population 16 years old and over.

Table 1.6: Poverty Rates by Sex and Employment Status

|                    | Male       |        |         |            | Total  |         |         |
|--------------------|------------|--------|---------|------------|--------|---------|---------|
|                    | Nur        | nber   | Poverty | Number     |        | Poverty | Poverty |
| Employment Status  | In Poverty | Total  | Rate    | In Poverty | Total  | Rate    | Rate    |
| In labor force:    | 623        | 9,374  | 6.6     | 452        | 7,537  | 6.0     | 6.4     |
| Employed           | 448        | 8,891  | 5.0     | 420        | 7,227  | 5.8     | 5.4     |
| Unemployed         | 175        | 483    | 36.2    | 32         | 310    | 10.3    | 26.1    |
| Not in labor force | 388        | 2,389  | 16.2    | 1,023      | 4,739  | 21.6    | 19.8    |
| Total:             | 1,011      | 11,763 | 8.6     | 1,475      | 12,276 | 12.0    | 10.3    |

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Universe: Population 16 years old and over.

**Table 1.7: Poverty Rates for Families, by Tenure** 

|   | Owners  |        | Renters |        | All Families |        |
|---|---------|--------|---------|--------|--------------|--------|
| Family Type                             | Poverty | Number | Poverty | Number | Poverty      | Number |
| Married-couple family:                  | 2.0     | 2,318  | 12.8    | 1,934  | 6.9          | 4,252  |
| Male householder, no wife present:      | 0.0     | 208    | 17.2    | 186    | 8.1          | 394    |
| Female householder, no husband present: | 0.0     | 557    | 29.1    | 875    | 17.8         | 1,432  |
| Total:                                  | 1.5     | 3,083  | 17.9    | 2,995  | 9.6          | 6,078  |

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File Universe: Families, excluding single individual households.

**Table 1.8: Poverty Rates by Nativity** 

|                     | # of P     | ersons | Poverty |
|---------------------|------------|--------|---------|
| Nativity            | in Poverty | Total  | Rate    |
| Native:             | 1,994      | 16,980 | 11.7    |
| Foreign Born:       | 1,597      | 12,852 | 12.4    |
| Naturalized Citizen | 130        | 5,543  | 2.3     |
| Not a Citizen       | 1,467      | 7,309  | 20.1    |

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File



### 2. Income Inequality

Figure 2 - 1: Median Household Income

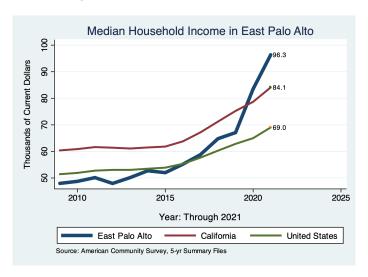
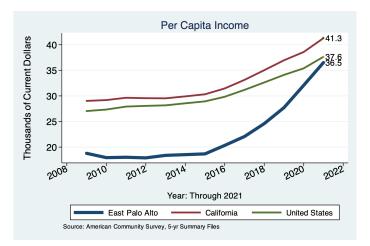


Figure 2 - 2: Per Capita Income





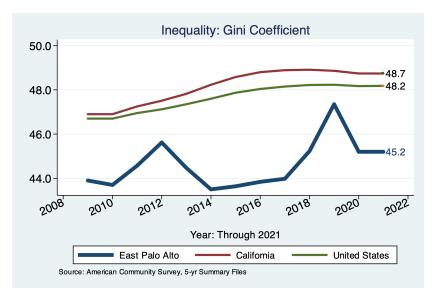
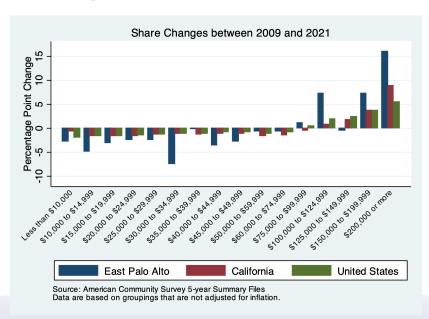


Figure 2 - 3: Gini Coefficients

Figure 2 - 4: Distribution of Household Income





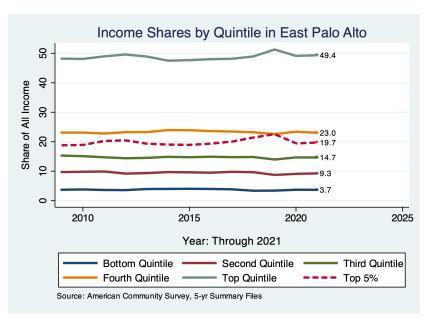
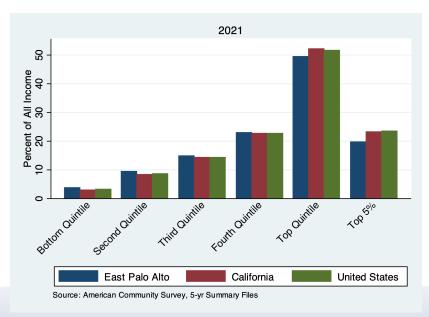


Figure 2 - 5: Income Shares by Quintile

Figure 2 - 6: Income Shares by Quintile - Comparison





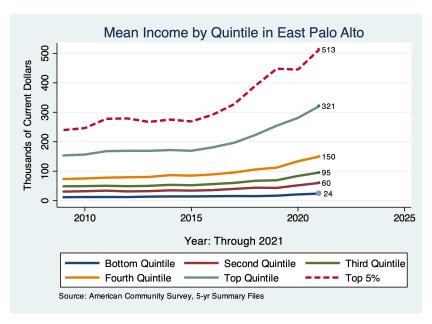


Figure 2 - 7: Mean Income by Quintile

Figure 2 - 8: Mean Income by Quintile - Comparison

