

County	2024 ACS 5 year Data Poverty Rate released 1/29/2026	Link
Adair	18.4%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Adair_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21001
Casey	21.7%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Casey_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21045
Clinton	17.5%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Clinton_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21053
Cumberland	24.8%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Cumberland_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21057
Green	20.4%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Green_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21087
Laurel	20.5%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Laurel_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21125
McCreary	38.9%	https://data.census.gov/profile/McCreary_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21147
Pulaski	21.0%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Pulaski_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21199
Rockcastle	25.6%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Rockcastle_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21203
Russell	23.1%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Russell_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21207
Taylor	17.5%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Taylor_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21217
Wayne	24.8%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Wayne_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21231
Whitley	26.3%	https://data.census.gov/profile/Whitley_County_Kentucky?g=050XX00US21235
Under 20 CFR § 681.260, a “high-poverty area” can be a county with a poverty rate of at least 25% , based on ACS 5-year data.		
The U.S. Department of Labor’s official directions for WIOA require users to reference the ACS table “S1701: Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months – ACS 5-Year Estimates” and use the “Percent below poverty level, Estimate” for the selected geography		