

Media Advisory

Upcoming 2021 Census Data

On **Tuesday, September 13, 2022**, the U.S. Census Bureau will release the <u>2021 Current Population Survey (CPS)</u>. This survey provides a national picture of overall poverty rates and child poverty rates as well as overall health insurance coverage and children's health insurance coverage rates. <u>It is not recommended that this survey be used to produce state-level estimates</u>, <u>particularly for smaller states like Rhode Island</u>.

On **Thursday, September 15, 2022,** the U.S. Census Bureau will release the <u>2021 American Community Survey</u> (ACS). This survey provides the best available data on poverty and health insurance coverage rates for Rhode Island.

Rhode Island KIDS COUNT will be analyzing the ACS data for 2021 and releasing data on family income, child poverty rates, and children's health insurance coverage rates for 2021, including information about how family income, child poverty, and children's health insurance coverage rates have changed since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. This information will be available on Thursday, September 15, 2022.

Elizabeth Burke Bryant and other staff are available for comment on Rhode Island's child poverty and health insurance rates. Please contact our Communications Manager Katy Chu (kchu@rikidscount.org, or 401.678.0443) with any questions and to connect with our staff.