

THE PANDEMIC DIVIDE

Before COVID-19 hit, 51 million U.S. households already couldn't afford the basics. These struggling families fall below the ALICE Threshold. This includes those in poverty and **ALICE** (**A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mployed), earning above the poverty level, but less than what it takes to survive. These households fared far worse during the pandemic than higher-income households.

Learn more in *The Pandemic Divide* at [UnitedForALICE.org](https://www.UnitedForALICE.org).

BELOW ALICE THRESHOLD

42%



Struggling to Get By

17%



Quit a Job Due to Child Care

60%



Lost Income

68%



No Rainy Day Funds

44%



Elevated Symptoms of Anxiety and Depression

ABOVE ALICE THRESHOLD

9%

3%

40%

29%

35%

Source: United For ALICE. (2021, October). *The Pandemic Divide: An ALICE Analysis of National COVID Surveys*. Retrieved from <https://www.UnitedForALICE.org/National-Reports>.