The State of Indiana Families Today (SIFT): “Living Poor in Indiana”

The Sourcebook is a partnership between

- The Center for Families at Purdue University
- Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service
- Indiana University Business Research Center
Recent changes in the welfare system suggest this is the right time to examine data available for the 45,000 Indiana families who are living at or below the poverty level.
The Sourcebook provides:

- State legislators with accurate and accessible information about Indiana families
- Extension educators with a clear picture of families and services in their counties
- Resources to social service providers, educators, and decision makers around the issue of Indiana poverty

The Sourcebook is marketed and distributed statewide.
The county-specific profile contains data focusing around four themes:

What we know about:

- Child care: licensed day care centers and homes
- Health and well-being: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Education and employment: the educational and employment choices of Indiana adults
- Poverty and welfare: vital statistics on birth, marriage, death, disease and accidents.
The Sourcebook is your resource:

- for the most recent data available about Indiana families
- about trends in family data over a five-year period
- to share information about Indiana families with local, state and national decision makers.
The Sourcebook offers information about:

- *Indiana and its neighbors*: compares state and national data
- *rankings of Indiana counties*: county comparisons for all of Indiana’s 92 counties
- *individual county profiles*: an in-depth view of families in each Indiana county
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