Nunavut Poverty Report Card 2026

We See It Every Day.



About the report

The Nunavut Poverty Report Card 2026 is presented by Amautiit Nunavut Inuit Women's Association with Campaign 2000. It is based on 2023 Statistics Canada data (TI Family File) and includes voices from Qajuqturvik Community Food Centre, Qupanuaq, Ubluriak Society and Kitikmeot Friendship Society.

> **Data note:** Statistics Canada data underrepresents Inuit, and Amautiit urges governments to uphold Indigenous data sovereignty.

Key facts (2023 data)

38.8% of Nunavut children live in poverty (6,280children), the highest rate in Canada.

47.6% of children under 6 live in poverty. Canada: 19.1%.

Canada's child poverty rate under 18: **18.3%.**

Food costs about **2x** the national average. Shipping and fuel push prices up 40 to 60%.

The Nunavut Child Benefit pays up to **$29** a month per child, the lowest in Canada.

Low income families with children are **$15,000 to $19,000** short of the low income line each year.

52% of Nunavut households are overcrowded. Every fourth child lives in an overcrowded home.

79% of Inuit children experience food insecurity.

The six recommendations

1. **Strengthen the Nunavut Child Benefit:** raise it from $29 to $500 a month per child, indexed to inflation and the MBM-IN.

2. **Implement a guaranteed basic wage,** with pilots in Sanikiluaq and Pond Inlet.

3. **Feed every child:** an Emergency Child Nutrition Fund and more school and after-school meals.

4. **Fund community and family stability:** multi-year core funding for Inuit and community-led organizations.

5. **Remove barriers and simplify access:** a Nunavut Benefits Access Team.

6. **Build a holistic, Inuit-led system:** mental health, addiction recovery and land-based healing.

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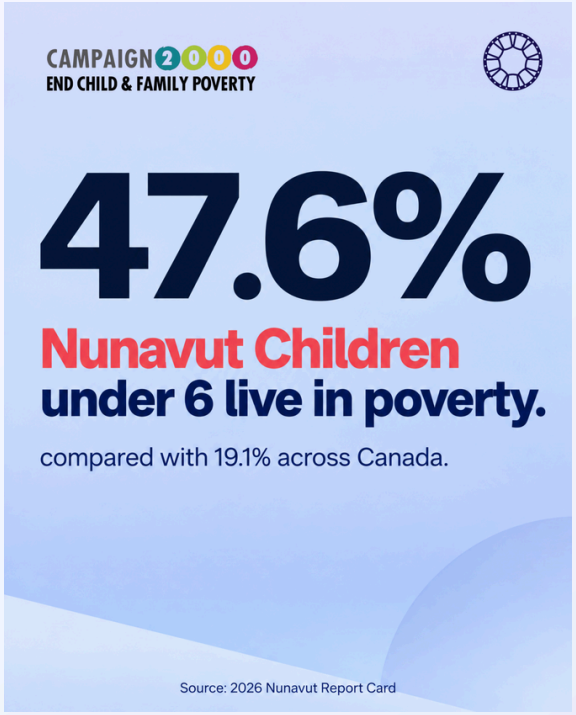

Children under 6

The early years shape a whole life. In Nunavut, 47.6% of children under 6 are growing up in poverty, more than double the Canadian rate. Our youngest can't wait.
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Food costs

In Nunavut, a trip to the store can cost twice what it does in the south. Shipping and fuel push food prices up 40 to 60%, and families feel it every time they fill a cart. Harvesting country food costs money too: fuel, ammunition, boats and snowmobiles.
The 2026 Nunavut Poverty Report Card calls for urgent action, including an Emergency Child Nutrition Fund and expanded school meal programs. Read the full report at [your webpage]
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Innuit Nunangat

Official poverty lines miss what it really costs to live in the North, from store food to the fuel, boats and equipment needed to harvest country food. Using ITK's Market Basket Measure for Inuit Nunangat, 41% of families were living in poverty in 2023. Inuit realities, measured on Inuit terms.
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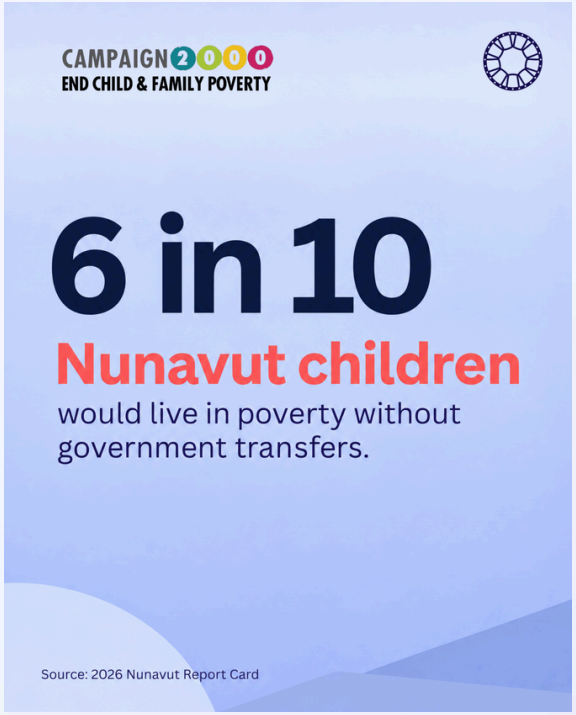

Nunavut Children

Government transfers are working: without them, nearly 6 in 10 children under 18 in Nunavut would be living in poverty. The Canada Child Benefit is the main federal protection, and the 2025 Nunavut Poverty Report Card shows how stronger territorial support could close the gap.
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We See It Every Day. But Change Is Possible.
The 2026 Nunavut Poverty Report Card highlights the realities of child and family poverty and the urgent need for meaningful action.
Every child and family deserves a better future.
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Overcrowding

More than half of Nunavut households are overcrowded.
That means children doing homework at a crowded kitchen table, too many people sharing a few bedrooms, and families with almost no space to rest.
A crowded home makes it harder to sleep, study, stay healthy, and find a moment of privacy.
Safe, adequate housing is a basic need, not a luxury.
The 2026 Nunavut Poverty Report Card shows how housing, income, and food insecurity are connected, and calls for Inuit-led solutions. Read the full report at [your webpage]



Resilient

Behind every statistic are Nunavut families showing strength, care, and determination every day.
But resilience should never replace meaningful action. Together, we can advocate for a future where every child and family can thrive.
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