

# 9 FACTS about how the POOR IN AMERICA LIVE

*(necessary in rural)*

75% <sup>(4)</sup>

Nearly three-quarters have a car or truck



31% <sup>(2)</sup>

have two or more cars or trucks



*Not necessary*  
(nearly) 67% have <sup>(1)</sup> cable or satellite television

43% <sup>(3)</sup>

have Internet access

*necessary*



<sup>(4)</sup> 50% have a personal computer

one in seven have



2+ computers <sup>(2)</sup>

more than half



poor families with children



have video game systems such as an Xbox or PlayStation <sup>(1)</sup>



25% <sup>(1)</sup>

have a digital video recorder system such as DVR or TIVO



40% <sup>(2)</sup>

have a wide-screen plasma or LCD TV

92% <sup>(4)</sup>

of poor households have a microwave



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