

2.9.4 Weatherization Population Facts

- Roughly 25% of Federally eligible households move in and out of poverty "classification" each year.
- The average income of Federally eligible households in FY 2005 was \$16,264, based on RECS and Bureau of the Census' Current Population Survey (CPS) data.
- States target the neediest, especially the elderly, persons with disabilities, and families with children.
- Since the inception of the Weatherization Assistance Program in 1976, over 6.3 million households have received weatherization services with DOE and leveraged funding.
- In FY 2009, the energy burden on Federally eligible households was about four times the burden on Federally ineligible households (14% versus 4%).

Source(s): ORNL, Weatherization Works: Final Report on the National Weatherization Evaluation, Sept. 1994, p. 1 for migrating poor; ORNL, 1996 for targeting; HHS, LIHEAP Home Energy Notebook for FY 2005, May 2007, Table A-2a, p. 59 for Federally eligible average income; EERE, Weatherization and Intergovernmental Program, July 2010 for number households served; HHS, LIHEAP Home Energy Notebook for FY 2009, Sept. 2011, Table A-3b for energy burden.