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UNH Experts Available to Discuss U.S. Poverty Trends

DURHAM, N.H. – Researchers from the Carsey School of Public Policy at the University of New Hampshire are available to discuss trends in U.S. poverty in advance of new poverty data to be released by the U.S. Census Bureau this week.

[Beth Mattingly](#)

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Mattingly can discuss child poverty and how different family policies affect rural, suburban, and urban families, how families adjust their labor force behavior during times of economic strain, and how growing up in poverty influences life outcomes. She also can discuss public policies and programs that support low-income families, including the Earned Income and Child Tax Credits, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps) and public health insurance. Mattingly can also address the differences between, and implications of, the Census Bureau poverty data and the Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM).

[Jessica Carson](#)

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Carson can discuss child poverty and how different family policies influence rural, suburban, and urban families. She also can discuss public policies and programs that support low-income families, such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps) and public health insurance.

[Andrew Schaefer](#)

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Schaefer can discuss child poverty and how different family policies influence rural, suburban, and urban families. He also can discuss the spatial distribution of the growing racially diverse young child population in the U.S. as well as the spatial distribution of America's poor children since the 1980s.

[Stephen Pimpare](#)

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Pimpare can discuss the differences between the Census Bureau's official data on poverty and its Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM). He is an expert on poverty, inequality, and U.S. social welfare policies. He is a contributor to the Center for American Progress's *Talk Poverty* blog and the author of *A People's History of Poverty in America*.

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