

# Coronavirus and Housing/Homelessness

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- Sarah Saadian, NLIHC
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## **Tracking COVID-19 Evictions**



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### THE EVICTION TRACKING SYSTEM

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### How Big of a Problem is Eviction?

### **Eviction cases filed**

Between 2000 and 2016, more than 61 million eviction cases were filed in the United States

In 2016, 3.7 million eviction cases were filed, 7 each minute.

Each year, the number of eviction cases far exceeds the number of foreclosure starts in 2009.

**Evictions:** landlord-initiated involuntary moves that happen to **renters**.

**Foreclosures:** involuntary moves that happen to **homeowners** when a bank or other lending agency repossesses a home.

### **Eviction is a Nationwide Problem**

### 1. The housing crisis is bigger than New York, Seattle, and San Francisco

Renter households evicted in 2016:

Richmond, Virginia: 1 in 9 Tulsa, Oklahoma: 1 in 13 Waterbury, Connecticut: 1 in 16 Albuquerque, New Mexico: 1 in 21

### 2. Eviction is not only a big city problem

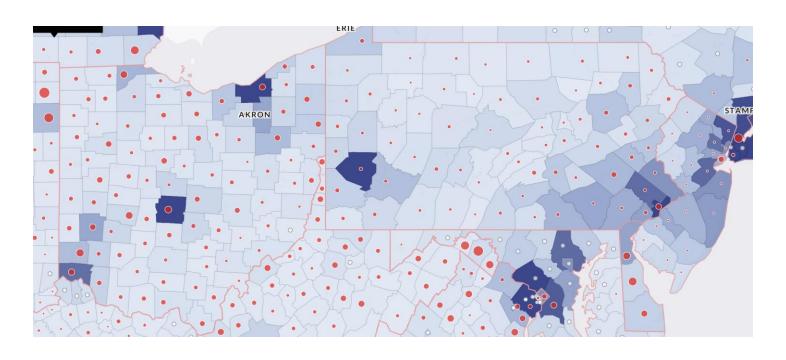
Small cities (pop. 20K-99K):

Muskegon, Michigan: 1 in 9 Wilmington, Delaware: 1 in 13

Rural areas (pop. < 20K):

Houlton, Wisconsin: 1 in 8 Centreville, Illinois: 1 in 9

### **Evictions in Ohio and Pennsylvania**





### **EVICTION TRACKING SYSTEM**

Last Updated: Week of June 07, 2020

The Eviction Tracking System (ETS) is a platform for monitoring and providing weekly updates on the number of eviction cases being filed in a set of cities across the United States. We built this system during the current pandemic out of concern that a growing number of families may face the threat of eviction. The ETS provides a data infrastructure for tracking eviction trends that previously did not exist. Scroll down to see the cities in which we are operating and learn more about the project.

CITY <del>-</del>	FILINGS LAST WEEK <sup>1</sup>	FILINGS LAST 4 WEEKS <sup>2</sup>	
AUSTIN, TX	34 (~ 86%)	75 (~ 88%)	VIEW FULL REPORT >
BOSTON, MA	1 (~99%)	3 (~99%)	VIEW FULL REPORT >
CINCINNATI, OH	84 (~ 68%)	348 (~66%)	VIEW FULL REPORT >
CLEVELAND, OH	0 (~100%)	1 (~100%)	VIEW FULL REPORT >
HOUSTON, TX	544 ( <del>-</del> 72%)	1785 (~62%)	VIEW FULL REPORT >
JACKSONVILLE, FL	14 (~ 92%)	41 (~95%)	VIEW FULL REPORT >
KANSAS CITY, MO	73 (~62%)	181 (~74%)	VIEW FULL REPORT >
MILWAUKEE, WI	358 ( <del>^</del> 37%)	616 (~ 41%)	VIEW FULL REPORT >
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### Summary snapshot

### MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

Eviction filings in Milwaukee, WI have fallen sharply since Governor Tony Evers blocked the initiation of non-emergency eviction proceedings on March 27. Compared to equivalent periods in previous years (2012–2016), eviction filings were far below average in March, April, and May. Eviction protections in Wisconsin began to expire on May 26.

More detail on eviction protections in Wisconsin can be found on the COVID-19 Housing Policy Scorecard.

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**358 ^37**%

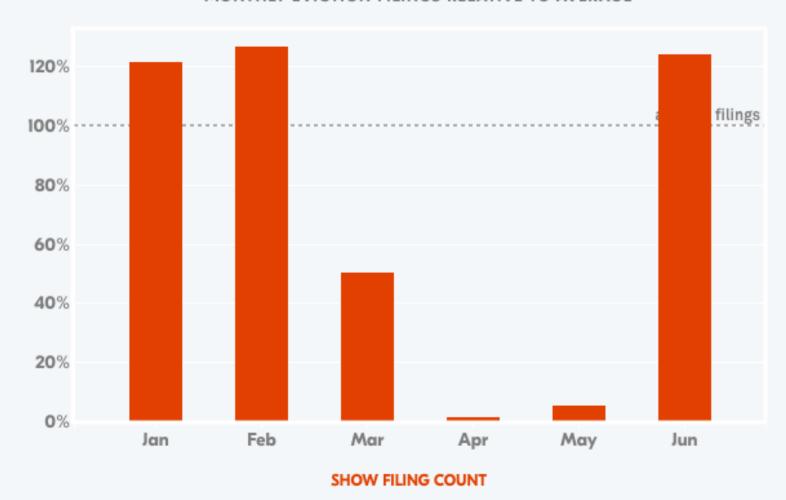
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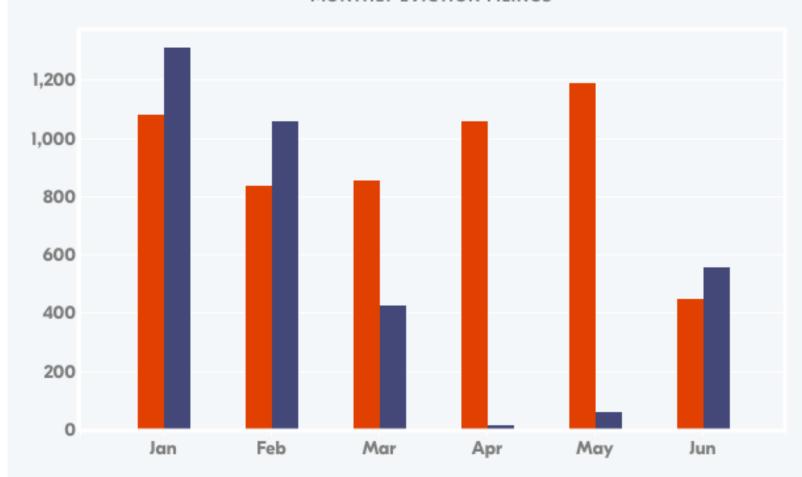
Eviction Moratorium

March 27 - May 26

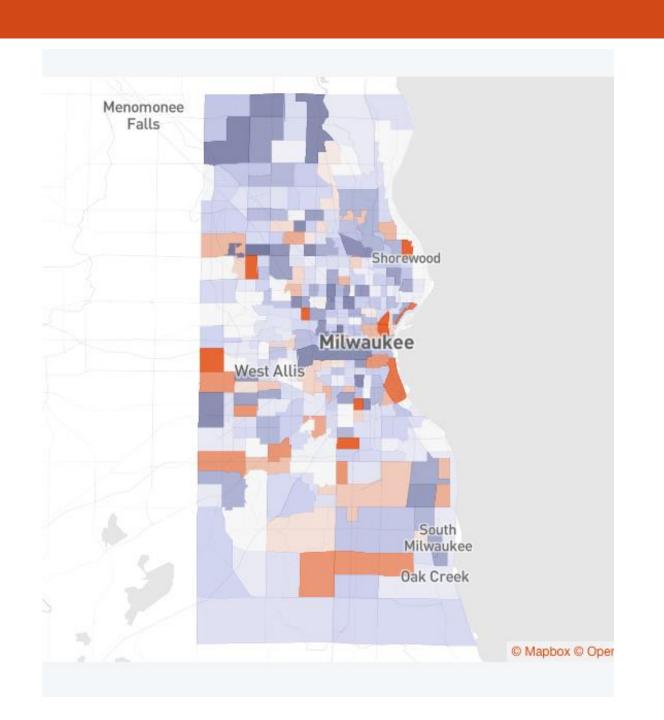




### MONTHLY EVICTION FILINGS



SHOW FILINGS RELATIVE TO AVERAGE



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## Why is Economic Impact Payments Outreach Needed?

Through SNAP and Medicaid, States Can Reach Many Not Receiving Automatic Stimulus Payments

#### **✓** Receiving automatic payments

- Tax filers in 2018 or 2019
- Social Security recipients
- Supplemental Security Income recipients
- Veterans Affairs pension or disability recipients
- Railroad Retirement recipients

### **○** Not receiving automatic payments

#### About 12 million people

- 9 million didn't file tax returns for 2018 or 2019 or receive any benefits listed above, but do receive SNAP and/or Medicaid
- 3 million didn't file tax returns for 2018 or 2019 or receive any benefits listed above, and don't receive SNAP or Medicaid

Source: CBPP analysis of the U.S. Census Bureau's Current Population Survey for 2015-2017, with corrections for underreported SNAP and SSI from the Department of Health and Human Services/Urban Institute Transfer Income Model (TRIM)

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- Automatic payment delivery misses some people
- Answer questions that may prevent eligible people from signing up
- People need help completing the online form



### **Helping People Get Economic Impact Payments**

- Must complete an online form by October 15 to get the payment this year
- Learn more:
  - <u>eitcoutreach.org/stimulus</u> info for individuals
  - <u>eitcoutreach.org/coronavirus</u> resources for advocates
  - Center on Budget & Policy Priorities paper: Aggressive State Outreach Can Help Reach the 12 Million Non-Filers Eligible for Stimulus Payments
    - Includes state level data
  - EIP Outreach webinar on June 23 3PM ET/ 12 PM PT



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#### Stimulus Payments Outreach Resources

Did you know that millions of eligible people could miss out on their Economic Impact Payments (EIP) - commonly called "stimulus checks" - because they have to file an online form with the IRS to get it? While most people get their payments automatically after filing a tax return (or based on participation in certain federally administered programs), this group of "non-filers" must take action to get their money (worth \$1,200 for adults and \$500 for qualifying children).

Eligible individuals have until October 15th to file for their EIP this year, so there's a lot of work to do to get the word out.

Will you join efforts to help leverage the estimated \$12 billion EIPs available for 12 million eligible people?

The resources: This EIP resource center provides advocates, community organizations, and partners vital information to share what people need to know and where people can find help to get their payments. On this page, you will find guides to getting started, ready-touse materials to share, and resources to help you learn more.

Start Here: Getting Started with EIP Outreach

Direct People Here: eitcoutreach.org/stimulus

#### Research

- · Aggressive State Outreach Can Help Reach the 12 Million Non-Filers Eligible for
- . State TANF Agencies Can Help Connect TANF Households With Federal Economic Impact Payments
- . State SNAP Agencies Can Help Connect SNAP Households With Federal Economic Impact Payments

#### Guides

- · Getting Started with EIP Outreach
- A Guide to Stimulus Payments

#### Materials

- 8.5 x 11 Informational Flyer
- Social Media
- (graphics and posts) · Press Release Template
- Blog Template
- Sample Website Text
- Talking Points
- Email Templates

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### You are eligible for the \$1,200 payment if:

Your income is under \$75,000 (single, or married filing separately) or \$150,000 (married filing jointly).
You also qualify if you have no income.

2. You and your spouse, if filing jointly, each have a valid Social Security number (one if military).

3. Someone else cannot claim you as a dependent on their tax return.

Stimulus Check Eligibility

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# HUD's Effort to Allow Providers to Refuse Shelter to LGBTQ People



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### Resources



Responding to Coronavirus (https://nlihc.org/responding-coronavirus): Recommendations for Congress

Coronavirus and Housing/ Homelessness (https://nlihc.org/coronavirus-andhousing-homelessness): National and Local Updates





## **Next Steps**