

Demographic Considerations

Demographic Profile – WSSC Service Area

- Total Population = 1,767,058 (2015 American Community Survey)
- Population living below Federal Poverty Level = 157,926 (2015 American Community Survey)
- Total Households = 658,907 (2015 American Community Survey)
- Households with Income below Federal Poverty Level = 55,856.
- WSSC Residential Accounts: 438,495

Poverty Thresholds for 2016 by Size of Family and Number of Related Children Under 18 Years

Size of family unit	Related children under 18 years								
	None	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven	Eight or more
One person (unrelated individual):									
Under age 65.....	12,486								
Aged 65 and older.....	11,511								
Two people:									
Householder under age 65.....	16,072	16,543							
Householder aged 65 and older.....	14,507	16,480							
Three people.....	18,774	19,318	19,337						
Four people.....	24,755	25,160	24,339	24,424					
Five people.....	29,854	30,288	29,360	28,643	28,205				
Six people.....	34,337	34,473	33,763	33,082	32,070	31,470			
Seven people.....	39,509	39,756	38,905	38,313	37,208	35,920	34,507		
Eight people.....	44,188	44,578	43,776	43,072	42,075	40,809	39,491	39,156	
Nine people or more.....	53,155	53,413	52,702	52,106	51,127	49,779	48,561	48,259	46,400

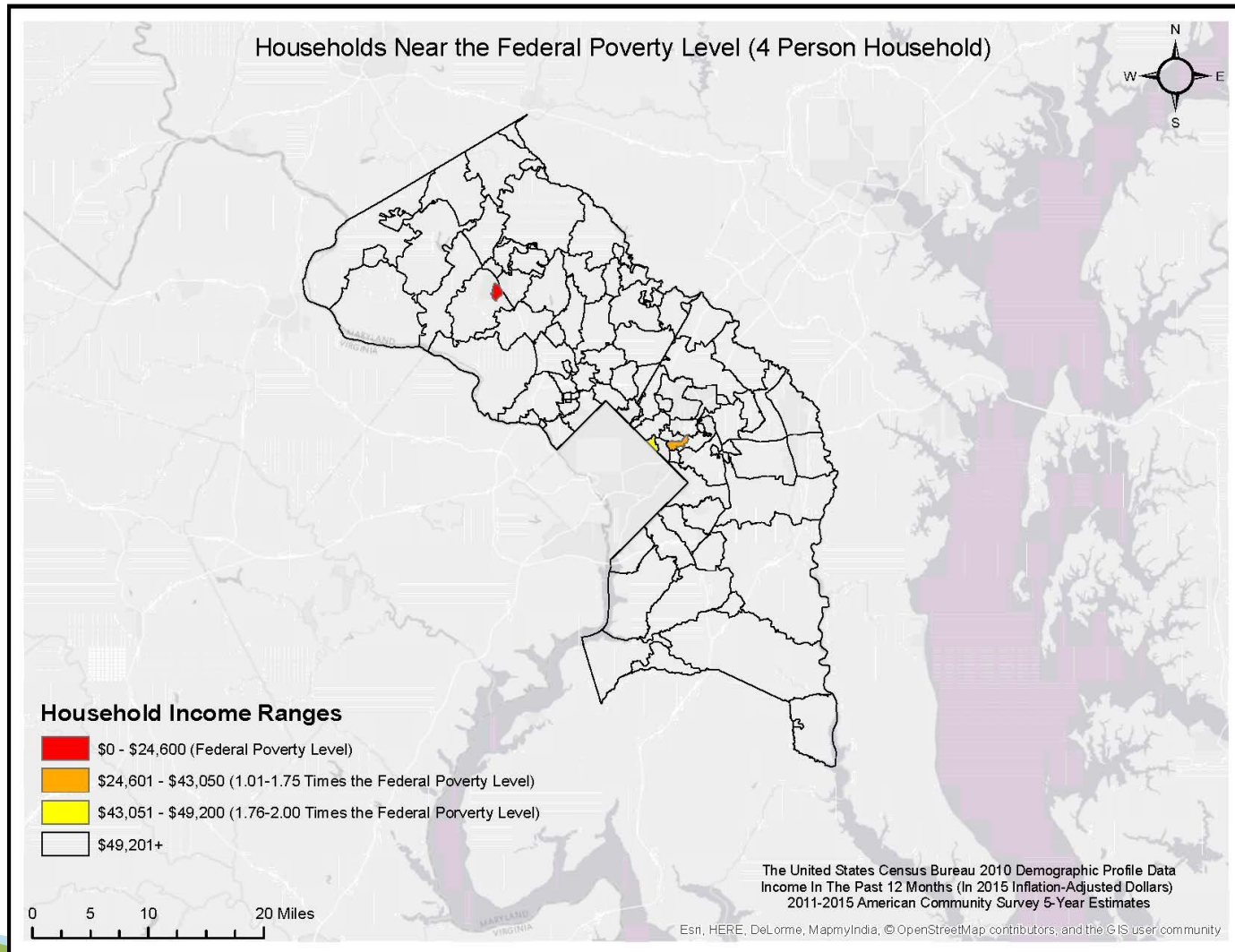
Source: U.S. Census Bureau.



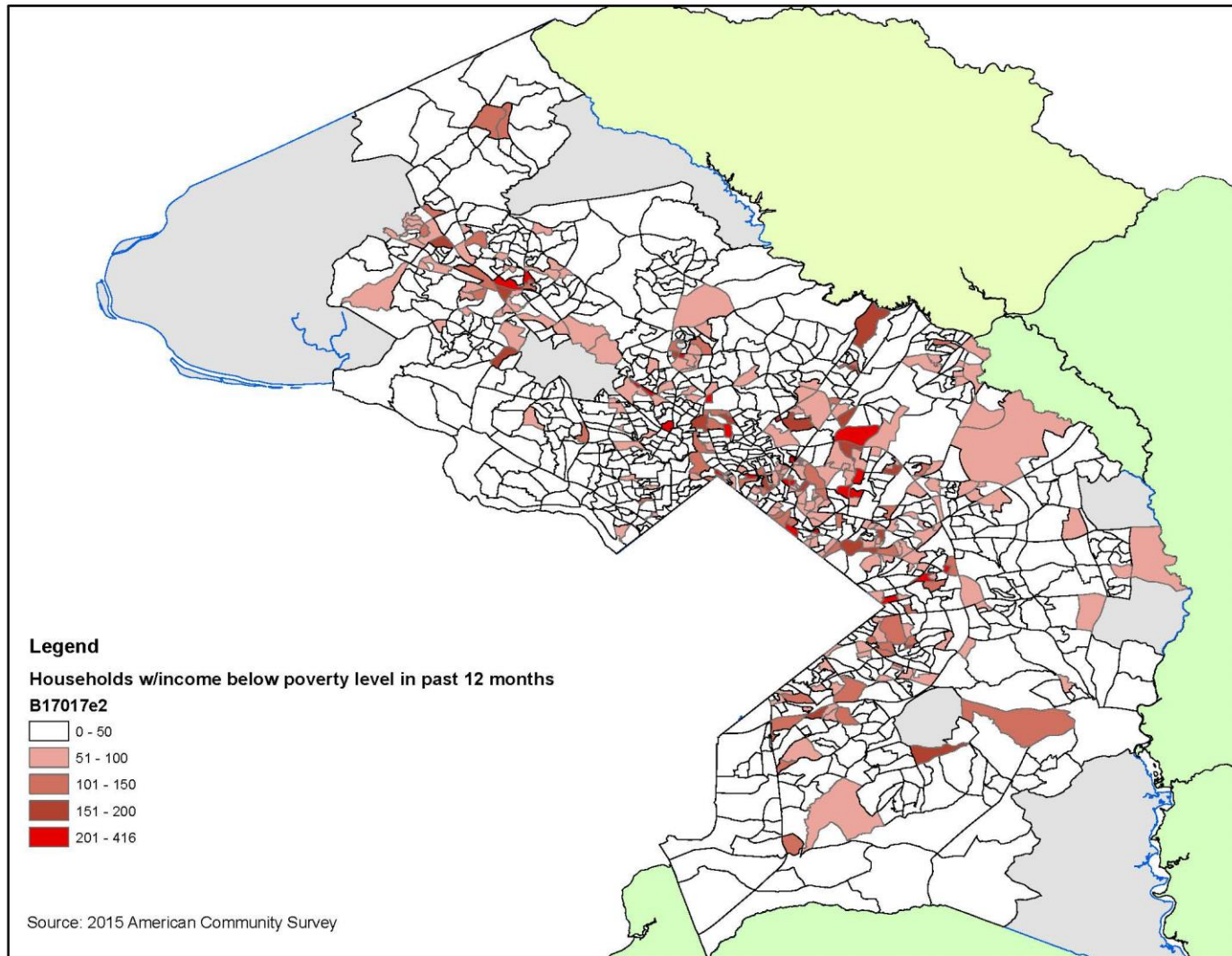
Income Eligibility

Income Eligibility Limits Effective July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018		
Household Size	Maximum Gross Monthly Income Standards	Maximum Gross Yearly Income Standards
1	\$1,759	\$21,105
2	\$2,368	\$28,420
3	\$2,978	\$35,735
4	\$3,588	\$43,050
5	\$4,197	\$50,365
6	\$4,807	\$57,680
7	\$5,416	\$64,995
8	\$6,026	\$72,310
For Each Additional Person, Add	\$701	\$8,418

Median Income Near Poverty Level WSSC Service Area

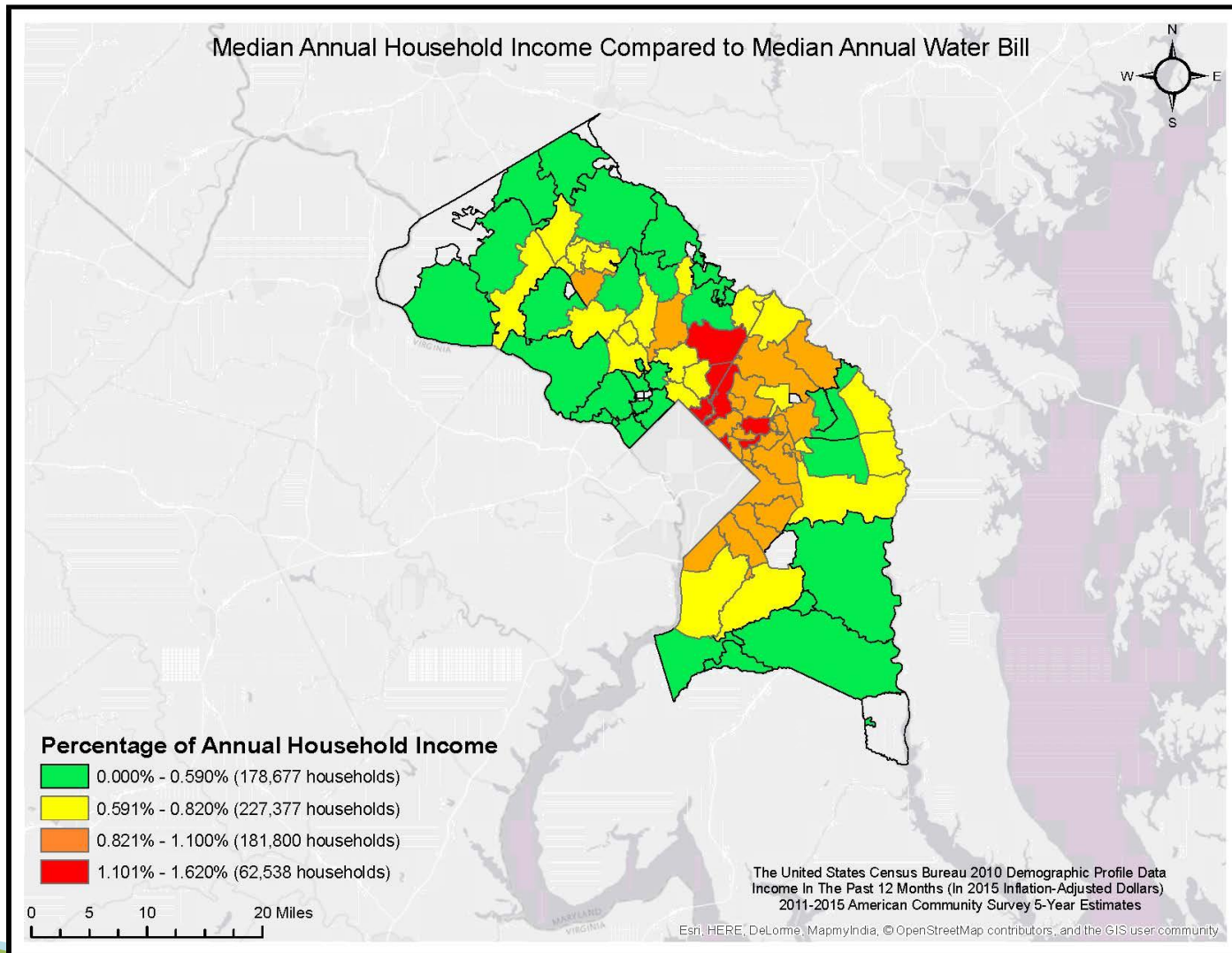


Households below Federal Poverty Level WSSC Service Area



Water Bill as a Percentage of Income

WSSC Service Area



Affordability Challenges

- Responsibility for water bill.
- Don't track household size.
- Low usage does not correlate to lower income profiles.
- Current Billing system is difficult to change.
- Income based rates are difficult and complicated to administer.