

## Low Income Living Alone Individuals



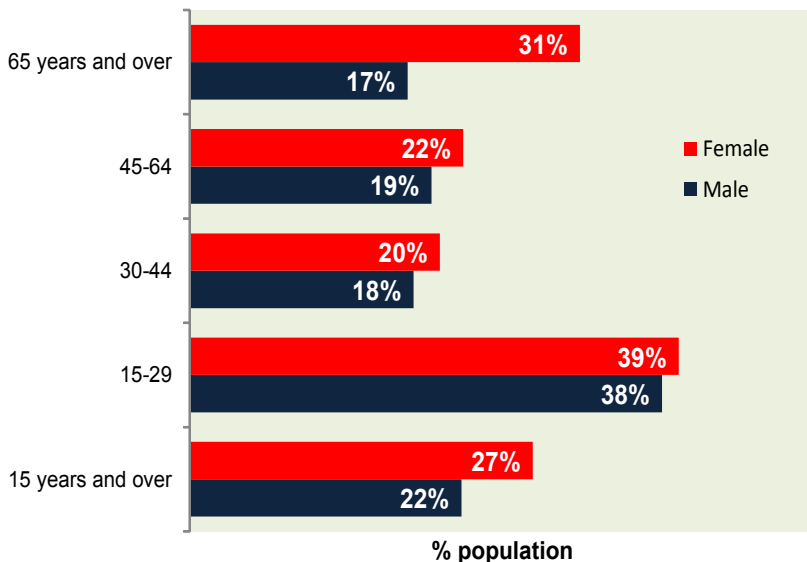
In 2005, there were about 38,000 individuals aged 15 and over living alone in Halton Region. Living alone or unattached individual as defined by Statistics Canada is a person living either alone or with others to whom he or she is unrelated, such as roommates or a lodger. They represented about 8.5% of Halton's population.

In terms of financial well-being, this group is three times worse off than the total population. About one-quarter (25%) of the group lived in poverty compared to 8.5% for the general population. The prevalence of low income also varies among age groups and between genders. Female unattached individuals are more likely to live in low income than their male counterpart. Of significance are female seniors living alone; almost one in three lives in poverty.

Two age groups (15-29 years and seniors) which account for about 46% of Halton's unattached individual population, are also over represented in the low income population. They constitute 57% of the low income unattached individual population.

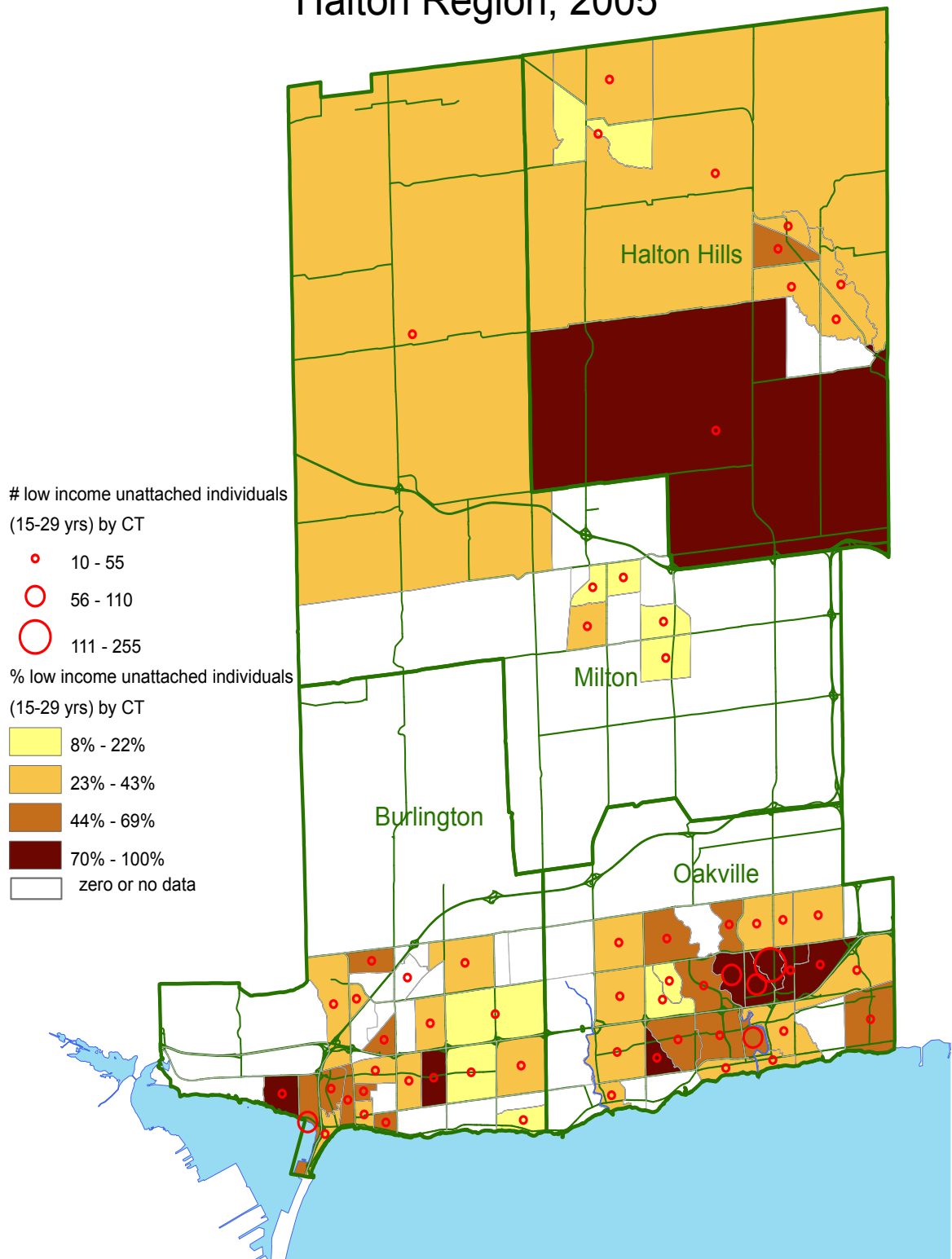
The majority (87%) of the low income unattached individuals in the 15-29 age group lived in the two urban municipalities, Oakville and Burlington. There are three (3) Census Tracts in the Town of Oakville with over three-quarters of the living alone individuals in this age group living in poverty.

**Prevalence of low income for individuals living alone by age groups and sex, Halton Region, 2005**



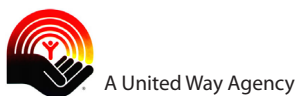
Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census

# Low Income Unattached Individuals (15-29 years) Halton Region, 2005



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