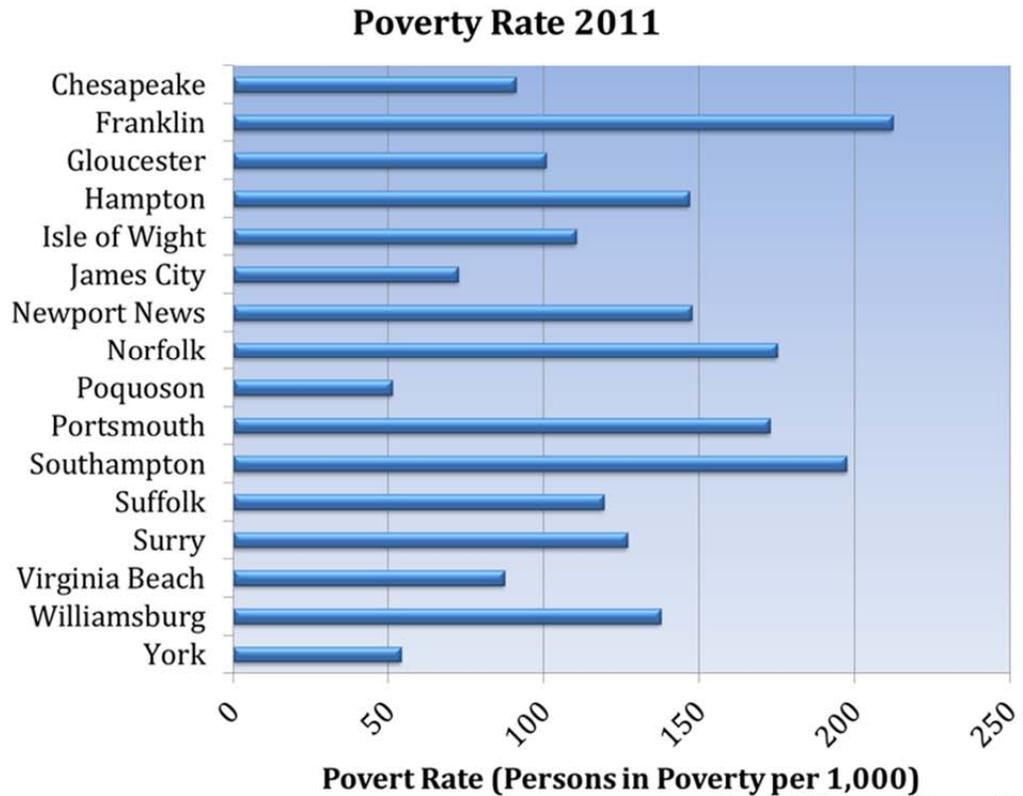


**Figure 7.8 Poverty Rate**

**Why is it important?**

The poverty rate measures the number of individuals in poverty per 1,000 people in a community. People in poverty as defined by the Census do not earn sufficient income to have an acceptable quality of life. Measures of poverty do not account for any government transfers disadvantaged individuals may receive.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, HRPDC