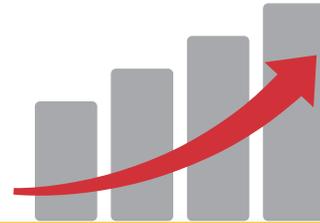




The Welfare & Unemployment Trap is Worse Than You Think

Welfare growth is out of control.



35% of Americans live in households receiving benefits from one or more welfare programs

Medicaid enrollment has **more than doubled** since 2000

Food stamps are the gateway to long-term government dependency.

The number of Americans dependent on food stamps has **nearly tripled** since 2000
86% of households on food stamps are also receiving other types of welfare

WELFARE DISCOURAGES WORK
57% of able-bodied adult households on food stamps have no earned income

WELFARE TRAPS FAMILIES IN POVERTY
Individuals stay on food stamps for an average of **8+ years**

WELFARE DISCOURAGES MARRIAGE
84% of mothers on welfare don't marry within 5 years

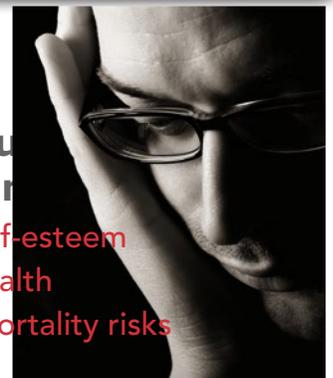
Unemployment Encourages Out-of-Wedlock Births

Unemployed, single men are **2.5X** more likely to become fathers

Unemployed, single women are **3X** more likely to become mothers than their married peers

What happens when you don't work

- Lower self-esteem
- Worse health
- Higher mortality risks





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Moving People from Welfare to Work Transforms Lives



Independence

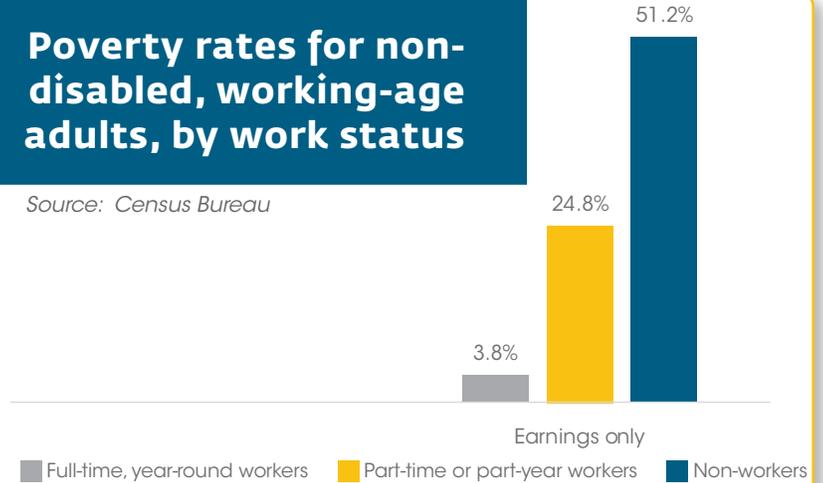


Poverty

Working full-time raises most able-bodied adults out of poverty

Poverty rates for non-disabled, working-age adults, by work status

Source: Census Bureau



That's why Voters Support Welfare Reform:

WELFARE REFORM IS POPULAR

WORK REQUIREMENTS



SUSPEND BENEFITS FOR REFUSAL TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT



ASSET TESTS



TIME LIMITS (12 MONTHS)



CASE STUDY: KANSAS

Restored welfare work requirements for able-bodied adults in 2013:

Higher Income
127% increase

in average income among those cycling off food stamps

Less Dependence
68% long-term reduction in childless adult enrollment
Out of Poverty

Majority worked their way out of poverty

More Marriage

2% increase in marriage rate

8% increase in number of African-American men marrying