STATE OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN MALE

Selected Data Items for African American Alone Males Nationally and in Chicago

**African American Population - 19,056,501**

**Educational Attainment**
- African American Males with less than high school – 17%
- African American Males likely to obtain a College Degree – 11%

**Labor Force**
- African Americans Males not in civilian labor force – 31.9%
- African American Males unemployed – 8.1%, Almost double the national average

**Poverty Status (under 24 years old)**
- African American Males below poverty level – 55%, 41% higher than national average

**Illinois -- Chicago City**

**Population**
African American Male Population in Chicago – 384,976

**Educational Attainment**
- African American Males less than a high school diploma – 20%
- African American Males with a Bachelor Degree – 15%

**Labor Force**
- African-American Male not in the labor force – 52%
- African American Male unemployment rate - in Chicago is 14% higher than White unemployment.

**Poverty Status**
- African-American Males that live below the poverty level – 14%

**Source:** U. S. Census American Community Survey 2015, 1 year Estimates
U. S. Census American Community Survey 2011-2015, 5-Year Estimates