Megalopolis is one of the wealthier regions of the country. While the US mean per capita is $21,587 the respective figure for Megalopolis is $25,084 (16.2% above the national mean [NM]).

Within Megalopolis a wedge of wealth can be identified through the suburban counties from Washington DC through New York to Boston. Counties such as Montgomery MD $35,687 (65.3% above NM), Somerset NJ $37,970 (75.9% above NM), Fairfield CT $38,350 (77.6% above NM) and Norfolk, MA $32,484 (50.5% above NM) constitute the more affluent areas of the region where affluent households inhabit expensive suburban housing. The highest per capita income is recorded in New York $42,922 (98.8% above NM) where a mixture of high paid employment in combination with a large proportion of single person households produces a high per capita figure. In the suburban counties the values are deflated because of the larger number of children in the average household.

Pockets of poverty can be found in the declining industrial areas such as Carbon PA $17,064 (21.0% below NM), central city areas such as Baltimore City $16,978 (21.4% below NM) and the Bronx NY $13,959 (35.3% below NM), and the selected rural areas such as Caroline MD $17,275 (20.0% below NM).

Like the rest of the country Megalopolis contains a wide range of income levels, from rich to poor with very different life experiences.