

U.S. Poverty: 2006-2001 Comparisons

The blue cells provide the information useful when communicating to the public or press

	Percent In Poverty										Number in Poverty		
	2-year average of 2000 to 2001	90% confidence interval (±) for 2000 to 2001 average poverty rate	2-year average of 2003 to 2004	90% confidence interval (±) for 2003 to 2004	2-year average of 2005 to 2006	90% confidence interval (±) for 2005 to 2006	Two-year change in percentage points (2005-2006 average less 2003-2004 average)	Five-year change in percentage points (2005-2006 average less 2000-2001 average)	Is two-year change statistically significant?	Is five-year change statistically significant?*	2005	2006	2-year average for 2005 to 2006
United States	11.5%	0.2%	12.6%	0.12%	12.5%	0.2%	-0.1%	1.0%	no	YES	36,950	36,460	36,705.0
Alabama	14.6%	1.6%	16.0%	1.06%	15.5%	1.8%	-0.5%	0.9%	no	no	750	650	700.0
Alaska	8.1%	1.2%	9.4%	0.86%	9.4%	1.6%	0.0%	1.3%	no	no	66	58	62.0
Arizona	13.2%	1.7%	13.9%	1.00%	14.8%	1.6%	0.9%	1.6%	no	no	917	902	909.5
Arkansas	17.1%	1.9%	16.4%	1.12%	15.8%	1.8%	-0.6%	-1.3%	no	no	382	487	516.0
California	12.6%	0.7%	13.2%	0.42%	12.7%	0.6%	-0.5%	0.1%	no	no	4,716	4,427	4,571.5
Colorado	9.2%	1.2%	9.8%	0.84%	10.6%	1.6%	0.8%	1.4%	no	no	530	466	498.0
Connecticut	7.5%	1.1%	9.1%	0.81%	8.7%	1.4%	-0.4%	1.2%	no	no	326	275	300.5
Delaware	7.6%	1.3%	8.1%	0.83%	9.3%	1.5%	1.2%	1.7%	no	no	78	80	79.0
Dist of Col	16.7%	1.9%	16.9%	1.25%	19.8%	2.3%	2.9%	3.1%	YES	YES	115	104	109.5
Florida	11.9%	0.9%	12.2%	0.52%	11.3%	0.8%	-0.9%	-0.6%	YES	no	1,975	2,068	2,021.5
Georgia	12.5%	1.5%	12.4%	0.81%	13.5%	1.2%	1.1%	1.0%	no	no	1,298	1,172	1,235.0
Hawaii	10.2%	1.4%	8.9%	0.82%	8.9%	1.4%	4.6%	3.3%	YES	YES	110	116	113.0
Idaho	12.0%	1.6%	10.0%	0.91%	9.7%	1.5%	-0.3%	-2.3%	no	YES	143	141	142.0
Illinois	10.4%	0.9%	12.5%	0.61%	11.0%	1.0%	-1.5%	0.6%	YES	no	1,441	1,338	1,389.5
Indiana	8.5%	1.1%	10.8%	0.77%	11.6%	1.4%	0.8%	3.1%	no	YES	774	674	724.0
Iowa	7.8%	1.2%	9.9%	0.87%	10.8%	1.6%	0.9%	3.0%	no	YES	327	301	314.0
Kansas	9.1%	1.2%	11.1%	0.92%	12.7%	1.8%	1.6%	3.6%	no	YES	337	349	343.0
Kentucky	12.6%	1.5%	16.1%	1.08%	15.8%	1.9%	-0.3%	3.2%	no	YES	599	690	644.5
Louisiana	16.7%	1.8%	16.9%	1.12%	17.6%	2.0%	0.7%	0.9%	no	no	748	713	730.5
Maine	10.2%	1.2%	11.6%	0.94%	11.4%	1.8%	-0.2%	1.2%	no	no	166	134	150.0
Maryland	7.3%	1.1%	9.3%	0.77%	9.1%	1.3%	-0.2%	1.8%	no	YES	542	469	505.5
Massachusetts	9.4%	1.1%	9.8%	0.72%	11.1%	1.3%	1.3%	1.7%	no	no	641	758	699.5
Michigan	9.6%	1.0%	12.3%	0.66%	12.6%	1.1%	0.3%	3.0%	no	YES	1,196	1,323	1,259.5
Minnesota	6.5%	1.0%	7.2%	0.68%	8.1%	1.3%	0.9%	1.6%	no	no	412	422	417.0
Mississippi	17.1%	1.9%	17.4%	1.16%	20.4%	2.0%	3.0%	3.3%	YES	YES	571	596	583.5
Missouri	9.4%	1.2%	11.5%	0.85%	11.5%	1.4%	0.0%	2.1%	no	YES	659	659	659.0
Montana	13.7%	1.8%	14.7%	1.11%	13.7%	1.8%	-1.0%	0.0%	no	no	128	125	126.5
Nebraska	9.0%	1.3%	9.6%	0.88%	9.9%	1.5%	0.3%	0.9%	no	no	167	180	173.5
Nevada	7.9%	1.2%	10.9%	0.91%	10.1%	1.6%	-0.8%	2.2%	no	YES	260	241	250.5
New Hampshire	5.5%	1.0%	5.6%	0.66%	5.5%	1.2%	-0.1%	0.0%	no	no	73	71	72.0
New Jersey	7.7%	0.9%	8.3%	0.59%	7.8%	1.0%	-0.5%	0.1%	no	no	592	762	677.0
New Mexico	17.7%	2.1%	17.3%	1.26%	17.4%	2.1%	0.1%	-0.3%	no	no	347	328	337.5
New York	14.0%	0.8%	14.6%	0.53%	14.3%	0.9%	-0.3%	0.3%	no	no	2,760	2,668	2,714.0
North Carolina	12.5%	1.2%	15.1%	0.81%	13.5%	1.2%	-1.6%	1.0%	YES	no	1,115	1,225	1,170.0
North Dakota	12.1%	1.5%	9.7%	0.86%	11.3%	1.6%	1.6%	-0.8%	no	no	70	70	70.0
Ohio	10.3%	1.0%	11.3%	0.61%	12.2%	1.0%	0.9%	1.9%	no	YES	1,392	1,371	1,381.5
Oklahoma	15.0%	1.7%	11.8%	0.96%	15.4%	1.9%	3.6%	0.4%	YES	no	543	531	537.0
Oregon	11.3%	1.4%	12.2%	0.98%	11.9%	1.7%	-0.3%	0.6%	no	no	436	439	437.5
Pennsylvania	9.1%	0.8%	11.0%	0.57%	11.3%	1.0%	0.3%	2.2%	no	YES	1,372	1,397	1,384.5
Rhode Island	9.9%	1.2%	11.5%	0.92%	11.3%	1.7%	-0.2%	1.4%	no	no	127	110	118.5
South Carolina	13.1%	1.5%	13.8%	1.02%	13.1%	1.7%	-0.7%	0.0%	no	no	626	474	550.0
South Dakota	9.6%	1.3%	13.1%	0.93%	11.3%	1.5%	-1.8%	1.7%	YES	no	90	82	86.0
Tennessee	13.8%	1.7%	15.0%	0.99%	14.9%	1.6%	-0.1%	1.1%	no	no	872	879	875.5
Texas	15.2%	1.0%	16.7%	0.58%	16.3%	0.9%	-0.4%	1.1%	no	no	3,681	3,816	3,748.5
Utah	9.1%	1.3%	9.6%	0.84%	9.2%	1.4%	-0.4%	0.1%	no	no	232	235	233.5
Vermont	9.9%	1.3%	8.2%	0.82%	7.7%	1.5%	-0.5%	-2.2%	no	YES	47	48	47.5
Virginia	8.1%	1.2%	9.7%	0.74%	8.9%	1.1%	-0.8%	0.8%	no	no	684	651	667.5
Washington	10.8%	1.4%	12.0%	0.88%	9.1%	1.3%	-2.9%	-1.7%	YES	no	636	502	569.0
West Virginia	15.6%	1.6%	15.8%	1.00%	15.3%	1.7%	-0.5%	-0.3%	no	no	276	277	276.5
Wisconsin	8.6%	1.1%	11.1%	0.82%	10.2%	1.4%	-0.9%	1.6%	no	no	553	555	554.0
Wyoming	9.7%	1.4%	9.9%	0.93%	10.3%	1.7%	0.4%	0.6%	no	no	54	51	52.5

* If an increase is deemed "significant," there is approximately a 90% percent likelihood that a true increase occurred and the apparent increase is not due solely to random error related to the limited sample size.