

2000-2007 State-by-State Total Poverty Rates, American Community Survey

Note: An asterisk (*) in the column to the right of each year's poverty rate will indicate if it is statistically different than the 2007 rate.

Geography	2000		2001		2007 Total Poverty		
	Poverty Rate		Poverty Rate		Total	Total in Poverty	Poverty Rate
U.S.	12.2%	*	12.1%	*	293,744,043	38,052,247	13.0%
Alabama	15.6%	*	16.5%		4,506,549	759,835	16.9%
Alaska	9.1%		7.2%	*	666,618	59,625	8.9%
Arizona	15.6%	*	13.7%		6,225,486	881,257	14.2%
Arkansas	17.0%		15.4%	*	2,753,919	492,052	17.9%
California	13.7%	*	12.8%		35,768,016	4,433,014	12.4%
Colorado	8.7%	*	9.6%	*	4,756,244	569,386	12.0%
Connecticut	7.7%		7.3%		3,387,524	268,880	7.9%
Delaware	9.3%		9.8%		838,497	87,956	10.5%
District of Columbia	17.5%		18.1%		559,557	91,934	16.4%
Florida	12.8%	*	12.5%		17,846,751	2,158,832	12.1%
Georgia	12.6%	*	11.7%	*	9,286,158	1,323,828	14.3%
Hawaii	8.8%		10.4%	*	1,254,854	100,051	8.0%
Idaho	11.4%		12.0%		1,464,460	177,806	12.1%
Illinois	11.1%	*	11.2%		12,541,198	1,496,248	11.9%
Indiana	10.1%	*	9.8%	*	6,145,040	757,813	12.3%
Iowa	10.0%	*	9.7%	*	2,881,760	317,946	11.0%
Kansas	9.5%	*	11.3%		2,688,942	300,210	11.2%
Kentucky	16.4%		15.4%	*	4,120,513	714,080	17.3%
Louisiana	20.0%	*	19.1%		4,166,756	775,425	18.6%
Maine	10.1%	*	10.6%	*	1,281,433	154,224	12.0%
Maryland	9.3%	*	8.1%		5,477,839	453,699	8.3%
Massachusetts	9.6%		8.7%	*	6,244,824	621,286	9.9%
Michigan	10.1%	*	10.6%	*	9,832,533	1,376,658	14.0%
Minnesota	6.9%	*	7.8%	*	5,066,767	481,947	9.5%
Mississippi	18.2%	*	18.6%	*	2,821,649	581,534	20.6%
Missouri	11.2%	*	11.7%	*	5,708,785	742,486	13.0%
Montana	13.4%		14.6%		933,264	131,790	14.1%
Nebraska	9.6%	*	10.3%		1,719,387	192,822	11.2%
Nevada	9.9%		9.7%		2,528,598	269,953	10.7%
New Hampshire	5.3%	*	6.0%	*	1,274,795	90,204	7.1%
New Jersey	7.9%		7.9%	*	8,505,944	729,211	8.6%
New Mexico	18.0%		17.7%		1,925,509	349,159	18.1%
New York	13.1%	*	13.4%		18,775,329	2,570,014	13.7%
North Carolina	13.1%	*	14.1%		8,793,290	1,258,988	14.3%
North Dakota	11.6%		12.1%		612,565	74,035	12.1%
Ohio	11.1%	*	11.0%	*	11,151,314	1,464,133	13.1%
Oklahoma	13.8%	*	15.5%		3,498,298	557,030	15.9%
Oregon	13.2%		13.4%		3,670,490	474,189	12.9%
Pennsylvania	10.5%	*	10.7%	*	11,998,834	1,393,026	11.6%
Rhode Island	10.7%		12.0%		1,018,722	122,128	12.0%
South Carolina	14.4%		13.4%	*	4,270,155	641,758	15.0%
South Dakota	11.5%	*	11.6%	*	768,499	100,699	13.1%
Tennessee	13.5%	*	14.3%	*	5,996,979	953,865	15.9%
Texas	15.1%	*	15.0%	*	23,284,143	3,791,183	16.3%
Utah	8.8%		8.6%		2,601,491	251,084	9.7%
Vermont	10.7%		10.4%		600,231	60,589	10.1%
Virginia	9.2%		9.3%		7,466,205	742,680	9.9%
Washington	11.6%		10.8%		6,337,707	725,172	11.4%
West Virginia	18.6%	*	17.2%		1,763,476	298,172	16.9%
Wisconsin	8.9%	*	9.8%	*	5,447,306	588,287	10.8%
Wyoming	11.4%	*	11.4%	*	508,840	44,064	8.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey. Calculations by Center on Budget and Policy Priorities.
Summary table by Coalition on Human Needs.