

**Poverty Statistics**

	Percent In Poverty					Number In Poverty (In Thousands)		
	2-year average for 1999 to 2000	2-year average for 2002 to 2003	2-year average for 2003 to 2004	One-year change in percentage points (2003-2004 average less 2002-2003 average)	Four-year change in percentage points (2003-2004 average less 1999-2000 average)	2003	2004	2-year average for 2003 to 2004
United States	11.6%	12.3%	12.6%	0.3	1.0	35,861	36,997	36,429
AL	14.3%	14.7%	16.0%	1.2	1.7	663	763	713
AK	7.6%	9.2%	9.4%	0.2	1.8	62	59	61
AZ	11.9%	13.5%	13.9%	0.4	2.0	749	830	790
AR	15.6%	18.8%	16.4%	-2.3	0.8	474	412	443
CA	13.4%	13.1%	13.2%	0.1	-0.2	4,634	4,743	4,689
CO	9.1%	9.7%	9.9%	0.1	0.8	436	450	443
CT	7.4%	8.2%	9.1%	0.9	1.7	278	348	313
DE	9.4%	8.2%	8.2%	0.0	-1.2	60	75	68
DC	15.0%	16.9%	16.7%	-0.2	1.7	92	91	92
FL	11.7%	12.6%	12.2%	-0.5	0.5	2,148	2,026	2,087
GA	12.5%	11.5%	12.5%	1.0	0.0	1,014	1,139	1,077
HI	9.9%	10.3%	8.9%	-1.5	-1.0	117	105	111
ID	13.3%	10.7%	10.0%	-0.7	-3.3	138	136	137
IL	10.3%	12.7%	12.4%	-0.3	2.1	1,592	1,534	1,563
IN	7.6%	9.5%	10.8%	1.3	3.2	610	712	661
IA	7.8%	9.1%	9.9%	0.8	2.1	260	314	287
KS	10.1%	10.4%	11.1%	0.7	1.0	288	304	296
KY	12.3%	14.3%	16.0%	1.8	3.7	589	719	654
LA	18.2%	17.2%	16.8%	-0.4	-1.4	750	737	744
ME	10.3%	12.5%	11.6%	-0.9	1.3	149	150	150
MD	7.3%	8.0%	9.2%	1.2	1.9	472	545	509
MA	10.8%	10.1%	9.7%	-0.4	-1.1	652	586	619
MI	9.8%	11.5%	12.3%	0.8	2.5	1,125	1,320	1,223
MN	6.5%	6.9%	7.2%	0.3	0.7	376	358	367
MS	15.6%	17.2%	17.3%	0.1	1.7	456	532	494
MO	10.4%	10.3%	11.5%	1.2	1.1	602	687	645
MT	15.0%	14.3%	14.6%	0.3	-0.4	139	128	134
NE	9.8%	10.2%	9.6%	-0.6	-0.2	168	163	166
NV	10.0%	9.9%	10.9%	1.0	0.9	244	259	252
NH	6.1%	5.8%	5.6%	-0.2	-0.5	73	70	72
NJ	7.6%	8.3%	8.3%	0.0	0.7	741	692	717
NM	19.2%	18.0%	17.3%	-0.7	-1.9	338	313	326
NY	14.0%	14.1%	14.6%	0.5	0.6	2,707	2,844	2,776
NC	13.1%	15.0%	15.1%	0.1	2.0	1,289	1,226	1,258
ND	11.7%	10.6%	9.7%	-0.9	-2.0	61	61	61
OH	11.0%	10.3%	11.3%	0.9	0.3	1,226	1,310	1,268
OK	13.9%	13.5%	11.8%	-1.6	-2.1	440	372	406
OR	11.7%	11.7%	12.1%	0.4	0.4	446	419	433
PA	9.0%	10.0%	10.9%	0.9	1.9	1,279	1,374	1,327
RI	10.1%	11.3%	11.5%	0.2	1.4	121	121	121
SC	11.4%	13.5%	13.8%	0.3	2.4	516	614	565
SD	9.2%	12.1%	13.0%	1.0	3.8	95	101	98
TN	12.7%	14.4%	15.0%	0.5	2.3	829	929	879
TX	15.4%	16.3%	16.7%	0.4	1.3	3,705	3,674	3,690
UT	6.7%	9.5%	9.5%	0.0	2.8	213	236	225
VT	9.8%	9.2%	8.2%	-1.0	-1.6	52	48	50
VA	8.1%	10.0%	9.7%	-0.3	1.6	740	689	715
WA	10.2%	11.8%	12.0%	0.2	1.8	766	701	734
WV	15.2%	17.1%	15.8%	-1.3	0.6	310	254	282
WI	8.9%	9.2%	11.0%	1.9	2.1	528	673	601
WY	11.2%	9.4%	9.9%	0.5	-1.3	48	49	49

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Current Population Survey. Calculations by the Coalition on Human Needs