

Table 693. Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level—Number and Rate by State: 2000 and 2007

[In thousands (33,311 represents 33,311,000), except as indicated. Represents number and percent below poverty in the past 12 months. Prior to 2006, the American Community Survey universe was limited to the household population and excluded the population living in institutions, college dormitories, and other group quarters. Poverty status was determined for all people except institutionalized people, people in military group quarters, people in college dormitories, and unrelated individuals under 15 years old. These groups were excluded from the numerator and denominator when calculating poverty rates. Based on a sample and subject to sampling variability; see Appendix III]

State	Number below poverty level (1,000)				Percent below poverty level			
	Individuals		Families		Individuals		Families	
	2000	2007	2000	2007	2000	2007	2000	2007
United States	33,311	38,052	6,615	7,162	12.2	13.0	9.3	9.5
Alabama	672	760	146	163	15.6	16.9	12.4	13.1
Alaska	55	60	11	10	9.1	8.9	6.8	6.5
Arizona	780	881	150	152	15.6	14.2	11.6	10.2
Arkansas	439	492	96	104	17.0	17.9	13.0	13.7
California	4,520	4,433	832	774	13.7	12.4	10.7	9.3
Colorado	363	569	64	101	8.7	12.0	5.7	8.4
Connecticut	254	269	51	50	7.7	7.9	5.8	5.7
Delaware	70	88	14	17	9.3	10.5	6.7	7.5
District of Columbia	94	92	17	14	17.5	16.4	15.4	13.0
Florida	1,987	2,159	387	398	12.8	12.1	9.3	8.6
Georgia	999	1,324	206	249	12.6	14.3	10.0	10.7
Hawaii	103	100	19	16	8.8	8.0	6.8	5.4
Idaho	144	178	26	35	11.4	12.1	7.7	8.9
Illinois	1,335	1,496	262	280	11.1	11.9	8.6	8.8
Indiana	592	758	113	145	10.1	12.3	7.1	8.7
Iowa	281	318	53	58	10.0	11.0	7.0	7.4
Kansas	247	300	43	56	9.5	11.2	6.2	7.7
Kentucky	640	714	148	147	16.4	17.3	13.5	13.2
Louisiana	862	775	182	158	20.0	18.6	16.0	14.6
Maine	124	154	22	28	10.1	12.0	6.6	7.9
Maryland	477	454	89	76	9.3	8.3	6.6	5.4
Massachusetts	586	621	110	113	9.6	9.9	7.1	7.3
Michigan	975	1,377	196	257	10.1	14.0	7.7	10.1
Minnesota	328	482	66	87	6.9	9.5	5.1	6.5
Mississippi	498	582	104	123	18.2	20.6	14.2	16.3
Missouri	606	742	118	146	11.2	13.0	7.7	9.5
Montana	117	132	23	23	13.4	14.1	9.5	9.7
Nebraska	158	193	28	38	9.6	11.2	6.5	8.2
Nevada	194	270	34	47	9.9	10.7	6.9	7.5
New Hampshire	63	90	11	16	5.3	7.1	3.5	4.6
New Jersey	651	729	126	138	7.9	8.6	6.0	6.3
New Mexico	320	349	64	69	18.0	18.1	14.2	14.2
New York	2,391	2,570	491	474	13.1	13.7	10.7	10.3
North Carolina	1,018	1,259	203	252	13.1	14.3	9.6	10.6
North Dakota	71	74	14	13	11.6	12.1	8.1	7.5
Ohio	1,216	1,464	246	287	11.1	13.1	8.4	9.7
Oklahoma	459	557	100	111	13.8	15.9	11.0	11.9
Oregon	439	474	84	83	13.2	12.9	9.5	8.9
Pennsylvania	1,240	1,393	247	259	10.5	11.6	7.8	8.1
Rhode Island	108	122	23	21	10.7	12.0	8.5	8.3
South Carolina	557	642	123	129	14.4	15.0	11.7	11.2
South Dakota	83	101	16	18	11.5	13.1	8.4	8.9
Tennessee	745	954	158	192	13.5	15.9	10.5	12.0
Texas	3,056	3,791	639	738	15.1	16.3	12.3	12.8
Utah	192	251	40	43	8.8	9.7	7.2	6.9
Vermont	63	61	12	11	10.7	10.1	7.5	6.4
Virginia	630	743	124	140	9.2	9.9	6.8	7.1
Washington	667	725	127	127	11.6	11.4	8.6	7.8
West Virginia	327	298	72	64	18.6	16.9	14.7	13.0
Wisconsin	461	588	75	104	8.9	10.8	5.6	7.1
Wyoming	55	44	10	7	11.4	8.7	7.9	5.2

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007 American Community Survey; B17001. "Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months by Sex and Age," and B17010. "Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months of Families by Family Type by Presence of Related Children under 18 Years by Age of Related Children"; using American FactFinder (published online 1 October 2008); <<http://factfinder.census.gov/>>