

Poverty Rates State by State, 2015

	Women	African-American Women	Asian Women	Hispanic Women	Native American Women	White Women	Women 65 and Older	Female-Headed Families	Children
<i>United States</i>	13.4%	23.1%	11.7%	20.9%	22.7%	9.6%	10.3%	36.5%	19.7%
Alabama	18.3%	28.9%	13.5%	25.9%	16.4%	13.8%	11.9%	47.7%	26.6%
Alaska	9.9%	18.4%	8.8%	9.7%	22.4%	6.7%	4.6%	26.6%	15.2%
Arizona	16.5%	22.8%	13.0%	24.8%	33.5%	11.6%	10.7%	40.1%	24.7%
Arkansas	18.6%	31.3%	17.2%	29.8%	18.3%	15.1%	12.1%	46.2%	27.2%
California	14.9%	21.6%	11.9%	20.2%	21.3%	10.7%	11.0%	37.0%	21.2%
Colorado	11.6%	20.7%	14.3%	19.8%	21.1%	8.8%	8.2%	33.7%	14.7%
Connecticut	10.6%	21.1%	6.5%	24.5%	17.9%	6.7%	8.5%	32.6%	14.5%
Delaware	12.0%	19.2%	7.9%	25.3%	-	8.4%	7.5%	34.2%	19.4%
District of Columbia	16.3%	23.9%	15.8%	11.3%	-	71%	15.0%	40.3%	25.6%
Florida	15.3%	23.4%	12.2%	20.6%	21.6%	11.3%	11.5%	37.1%	23.1%
Georgia	16.7%	23.4%	12.2%	24.5%	34.0%	12.1%	12.0%	42.5%	24.5%
Hawaii	10.3%	9.8%	7.4%	16.6%	-	9.7%	8.1%	26.2%	14.2%
Illinois	15.7%	47.2%	14.4%	21.8%	29.1%	14.5%	10.3%	43.4%	17.8%
Idaho	13.4%	26.6%	11.5%	18.7%	27.5%	9.4%	9.8%	38.8%	19.1%
Indiana	14.5%	25.5%	20.4%	26.2%	17.8%	12.3%	8.7%	43.2%	20.9%
Iowa	12.9%	33.1%	16.3%	27.0%	28.7%	11.4%	8.7%	36.8%	14.8%
Kansas	12.7%	22.3%	11.9%	21.1%	24.7%	10.7%	9.2%	36.5%	17.2%
Kentucky	18.4%	28.6%	12.5%	24.6%	22.6%	17.3%	13.2%	47.0%	25.9%
Louisiana	19.6%	30.7%	14.8%	24.6%	27.3%	13.6%	15.2%	49.8%	28.4%
Maine	13.7%	52.6%	11.3%	19.5%	24.8%	13.2%	10.0%	37.1%	17.4%
Maryland	10.1%	13.9%	7.9%	16.0%	11.7%	7.4%	8.6%	27.1%	13.2%
Massachusetts	12.1%	21.5%	16.0%	28.2%	19.6%	8.9%	11.0%	33.8%	14.8%
Michigan	15.6%	29.3%	14.4%	24.9%	26.6%	12.5%	9.4%	44.2%	22.4%
Minnesota	10.4%	31.1%	14.5%	21.5%	24.1%	8.3%	8.1%	32.1%	13.1%
Mississippi	21.6%	33.0%	10.7%	27.8%	36.2%	14.1%	14.7%	49.6%	31.3%
Missouri	15.0%	25.9%	17.5%	25.4%	30.1%	12.8%	10.3%	41.3%	20.2%
Montana	14.2%	-	10.6%	13.9%	37.3%	12.7%	8.9%	45.3%	19.4%
Nebraska	12.8%	28.2%	26.4%	25.7%	24.1%	10.0%	9.0%	38.0%	16.8%
Nevada	14.3%	22.1%	10.3%	20.5%	23.8%	10.7%	9.2%	35.7%	20.9%
New Hampshire	9.2%	22.6%	13.5%	18.1%	-	8.6%	7.6%	30.3%	10.7%
New Jersey	10.6%	17.2%	7.4%	21.0%	16.9%	6.5%	9.0%	33.6%	15.6%
New Mexico	18.8%	31.5%	10.4%	22.7%	31.0%	11.9%	12.8%	43.9%	28.6%
New York	15.3%	21.1%	16.9%	26.5%	29.0%	10.2%	12.7%	38.3%	22.0%
North Carolina	16.2%	24.1%	12.0%	29.8%	27.6%	12.1%	11.0%	42.4%	23.5%
North Dakota	12.4%	15.1%	14.9%	14.3%	35.5%	10.9%	11.6%	33.1%	12.1%
Ohio	14.6%	28.7%	15.0%	26.0%	28.6%	11.9%	8.8%	43.1%	21.3%
Oklahoma	16.1%	25.8%	14.4%	24.9%	21.8%	13.4%	10.1%	42.1%	22.2%
Oregon	15.3%	34.8%	13.3%	24.7%	28.7%	13.5%	8.5%	38.8%	20.3%
Pennsylvania	13.0%	25.5%	16.3%	29.7%	31.8%	10.0%	9.2%	39.2%	19.4%
Rhode Island	13.7%	26.5%	18.6%	29.8%	-	9.9%	11.5%	40.6%	19.4%
South Carolina	16.7%	25.1%	12.9%	27.9%	19.5%	12.5%	11.1%	41.9%	24.0%
South Dakota	14.3%	47.9%	16.2%	26.2%	43.6%	11.2%	9.4%	34.3%	18.1%
Tennessee	16.3%	23.1%	10.9%	27.5%	19.2%	14.3%	11.6%	42.7%	24.2%
Texas	15.3%	20.6%	11.0%	21.8%	19.8%	9.6%	11.5%	39.9%	23.0%
Utah	12.0%	23.5%	16.9%	20.4%	28.6%	10.2%	8.9%	34.1%	12.9%
Vermont	10.3%	12.7%	18.8%	8.8%	-	10.1%	8.6%	32.8%	13.3%
Virginia	11.6%	18.5%	9.4%	14.9%	14.7%	9.4%	8.8%	33.3%	14.8%
Washington	12.5%	21.6%	11.1%	20.7%	24.7%	10.8%	8.7%	34.0%	15.5%
West Virginia	18.2%	28.4%	20.2%	24.1%	-	17.6%	10.6%	48.7%	25.2%
Wisconsin	12.2%	30.1%	13.6%	25.8%	31.1%	9.8%	8.4%	36.7%	16.4%
Wyoming	12.8%	-	-	19.8%	12.3%	12.2%	10.7%	32.2%	13.2%



Source:

National poverty rates calculated by NWLC based on 2016 Current Population Survey, Annual Social and Economic Supplement (<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/poverty/>). State poverty rates calculated by NWLC based on 2015 American Community Survey (<http://www.census.gov/acs/www/>). Dashes indicate unavailable data. Female-headed families are families with female householders, no husband present and related children under 18.

Notes:

The "African American" race category includes those who identified themselves in the U.S. Census Bureau Current Population Survey as Black or African American. The "Asian" race category includes those who identified themselves as Asian. The "Native American" race category includes those who identified themselves as American Indian or Alaskan Native. The "white" race category includes those who identified themselves as white, but not of Hispanic origin. The "Hispanic" category includes people of any race who identified themselves to be of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin.

Dashes indicate unavailable data. Data are given for women ages 18 and over unless otherwise noted. Female-headed families are families with female householders, no husband present and related children under 18.

