

	3-year average Poverty Rate 2009-2011 ²		2-year average Poverty Rate				Change in Poverty Rate from 2008-2009 to 2010-2011 ³	
	%	90 percent confidence interval ¹ (+/-)	2008-2009		2010-2011 ²		%	90 percent confidence interval ¹ (+/-)
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United States	14.8	0.2	13.8	0.2	15.1	0.2	*1.3	0.2
Louisiana	18.9	2.0	16.2	1.9	21.3	2.1	*5.0	2.2
New Mexico	19.9	2.0	19.3	2.3	20.2	2.2	0.9	2.7
Mississippi	21.0	1.5	20.6	2.0	20.0	1.7	-0.7	2.0
Georgia	18.5	1.5	16.9	1.5	18.6	1.5	*1.7	1.7
Arizona	19.1	2.1	19.6	2.2	18.0	2.3	-1.6	2.2
South Carolina	16.6	1.3	13.9	1.5	18.0	1.6	*4.1	1.8
Texas	17.7	1.0	16.6	1.1	17.9	1.1	*1.3	1.2
West Virginia	16.7	1.6	15.2	1.7	17.2	2.1	2.0	2.7
Arkansas	17.6	2.5	17.1	3.0	17.0	2.1	-0.1	2.3
Kentucky	16.9	1.8	17.0	2.4	16.8	2.0	-0.2	2.5
California	16.2	0.6	15.0	0.7	16.6	0.7	*1.6	1.0
Tennessee	16.5	2.1	15.8	1.8	16.5	2.1	0.7	1.8
North Carolina	16.6	1.3	15.4	1.4	16.4	1.6	1.0	1.7
Alabama	16.4	2.0	15.4	2.3	16.3	2.1	0.9	1.9
New York	15.9	0.9	15.0	0.9	16.0	1.0	*1.0	1.0
Nevada	15.0	1.5	11.9	1.5	16.0	1.8	*4.1	1.8
Indiana	16.0	1.7	15.2	1.8	15.9	1.9	0.7	1.6
Montana	14.8	2.0	13.2	2.6	15.5	2.4	2.3	3.2
Florida	15.1	0.8	13.9	1.0	15.4	0.9	*1.6	1.2
Michigan	14.9	1.2	13.5	1.3	15.3	1.4	*1.8	1.6
Missouri	15.3	1.7	14.4	1.4	15.2	2.2	0.8	2.4
Ohio	14.6	1.4	13.5	1.2	15.2	1.6	*1.7	1.4
Oklahoma	14.4	1.6	13.3	1.6	15.1	2.0	1.8	2.3
Idaho	14.4	2.5	13.0	2.9	14.8	2.3	1.8	1.8
Kansas	14.2	2.0	13.2	2.2	14.4	2.0	1.2	2.2
Oregon	14.0	1.4	12.0	1.3	14.3	1.7	*2.4	1.8
South Dakota	14.1	2.7	13.6	3.3	14.1	2.6	0.5	2.3
Illinois	13.8	0.9	12.8	1.0	14.1	1.0	*1.4	1.2
Rhode Island	13.5	1.2	12.9	1.5	13.7	1.4	0.8	1.7
Maine	12.5	1.3	11.7	1.4	13.0	1.5	1.4	1.5
Delaware	12.7	1.2	10.9	1.3	12.9	1.3	*2.0	1.6
Colorado	12.6	1.3	11.7	1.4	12.7	1.5	1.1	1.4
Pennsylvania	12.0	0.9	11.0	1.0	12.4	1.0	*1.4	1.3
Hawaii	12.3	1.5	11.2	1.4	12.2	1.7	1.0	1.7
Washington	11.9	1.3	11.0	1.3	12.1	1.5	1.0	1.4
Alaska	12.0	1.5	9.9	1.2	12.1	1.9	*2.2	2.0
Wisconsin	11.3	1.4	10.3	1.3	11.6	1.4	1.3	1.3
North Dakota	11.2	1.7	11.4	2.7	11.3	1.5	-0.1	2.2
New Jersey	10.6	1.1	9.3	1.1	11.2	1.3	*2.0	1.2
Vermont	10.6	1.2	9.2	1.1	11.2	1.4	*2.0	1.6
Virginia	10.9	1.1	10.5	1.7	11.0	1.1	0.5	1.5
Massachusetts	10.8	1.2	11.1	1.6	10.7	1.3	-0.3	1.8
Utah	10.2	1.2	8.6	1.4	10.5	1.4	*1.9	1.8
Minnesota	10.6	1.1	10.5	1.4	10.4	1.2	-0.1	1.4
Iowa	10.5	1.0	10.1	1.3	10.4	1.1	0.3	1.4
Nebraska	10.1	1.3	10.2	1.2	10.2	1.7	0.0	1.8
Wyoming	9.8	1.2	9.7	1.4	10.1	1.5	0.5	1.8
Maryland	9.9	0.9	9.1	0.9	10.1	1.1	0.9	1.3
Connecticut	9.0	1.0	8.2	0.9	9.3	1.2	1.1	1.2
New Hampshire	7.3	0.9	7.4	1.0	7.1	1.0	-0.3	1.3

The states are sorted in descending order based on their 2010-2011 two-year average poverty rates.

NOTES: *Significantly different from zero at the 90 percent confidence level. ¹A 90 percent confidence interval is a measure of an estimate's variability. The larger the confidence interval in relation to the size of the estimate, the less reliable the estimate. Confidence interval shown in this table are based on standard errors calculated using replicate weights instead of the generalized variance function used in the past. For more information, see "Standard Errors and Their Use" at http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/p60_243sa.pdf. ²The estimates for 2010 and 2011 use population controls base on the 2010 Census. ³Details may not sum to totals because of rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2009 to 2012 Annual Social and Economic Supplements. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <http://www.census.gov/apstd/techdoc/cps/cpsmar12.pdf>.