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Percentage of People Experiencing Poverty and Hunger in the USA

(Numbers for poverty are for 2007 and food insecurity are for 2006, each representing the most recent available data)

State	Poverty *	Food Insecurity***	State	Poverty *	Food Insecurity***
Alabama	16.9	12.1	Montana	14.1	9.9
Alaska	8.9	12.6	Nebraska	11.2	9.5
Arizona	14.2	13.1	Nevada	10.7	8.8
Arkansas	17.9	14.3	New Hampshire	7.1	7.4
California	12.4	10.9	New Jersey	8.6	7.7
Colorado	12.0	12.0	New Mexico	18.1	16.1
Connecticut	7.9	8.6	New York	13.7	9.8
Delaware	10.5	7.8	North Carolina	14.3	12.9
DC	16.4	12.5	North Dakota	12.1	6.4
Florida	12.1	8.9	Ohio	13.1	12.7
Georgia	14.3	12.6	Oklahoma	15.9	14.6
Hawaii	8.0	7.8	Oregon	12.9	11.9
Idaho	12.1	12.7	Pennsylvania	11.6	10.0
Illinois	11.9	9.8	Rhode Island	12.0	11.3
Indiana	12.3	10.8	South Carolina	15.0	14.7
Iowa	11.0	11.4	South Dakota	13.1	9.5
Kansas	11.2	12.5	Tennessee	15.9	12.5
Kentucky	17.3	13.6	Texas	16.3	15.9
Louisiana	18.6	14.4	Utah	9.7	14.5
Maine	12.0	12.9	Vermont	10.1	9.6
Maryland	8.3	9.5	Virginia	9.9	7.9
Massachusetts	9.9	8.1	Washington	11.4	10.3
Michigan	14.0	12.2	West Virginia	16.9	9.3
Minnesota	9.5	8.2	Wisconsin	10.8	8.9
Mississippi	20.6	18.1	Wyoming	8.7	10.6
Missouri	13.0	12.3	United States	12.5**	10.9****

* Income, Earnings, and Poverty data from the 2007 American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

** Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2007, U.S. Census Bureau

*** Household Food Security in the United States, 2006 (U.S. Department of Agriculture); Table 7

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