

Table 712. Children Below Poverty Level by Race and Hispanic Origin: 1980 to 2009

[11,114 represents 11,114,000. Persons as of March of the following year. Covers only related children in families under 18 years old. Based on Current Population Survey, Annual Social and Economic Supplement (ASEC); see text, this section, Section 1, and Appendix III. For data collection changes over time, see <<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/income/data/historical/history.html>>]

Year	Number of children below poverty level (1,000)					Percent of children below poverty level				
	All races ¹	White ²	Black ³	Asian and Pacific Islander ⁴	Hispanic ⁵	All races ¹	White ²	Black ³	Asian and Pacific Islander ⁴	Hispanic ⁵
1980	11,114	6,817	3,906	(NA)	1,718	17.9	13.4	42.1	(NA)	33.0
1985	12,483	7,838	4,057	(NA)	2,512	20.1	15.6	43.1	(NA)	39.6
1990	12,715	7,696	4,412	356	2,750	19.9	15.1	44.2	17.0	37.7
1991	13,658	8,316	4,637	348	2,977	21.1	16.1	45.6	17.1	39.8
1992 ⁶	14,521	8,752	5,015	352	3,440	21.6	16.5	46.3	16.0	39.0
1993 ⁷	14,961	9,123	5,030	358	3,666	22.0	17.0	45.9	17.6	39.9
1994	14,610	8,826	4,787	308	3,956	21.2	16.3	43.3	17.9	41.1
1995	13,999	8,474	4,644	532	3,938	20.2	15.5	41.5	18.6	39.3
1996	13,764	8,488	4,411	553	4,090	19.8	15.5	39.5	19.1	39.9
1997	13,422	8,441	4,116	608	3,865	19.2	15.4	36.8	19.9	36.4
1998	12,845	7,935	4,073	542	3,670	18.3	14.4	36.4	17.5	33.6
1999 ⁸	11,678	7,194	3,698	367	3,561	16.6	13.1	32.8	11.5	29.9
2000 ⁹	11,005	6,834	3,495	407	3,342	15.6	12.4	30.9	12.5	27.6
2001	11,175	7,086	3,423	353	3,433	15.8	12.8	30.0	11.1	27.4
2002 ¹⁰	11,646	7,203	3,570	302	3,653	16.3	13.1	32.1	11.4	28.2
2003	12,340	7,624	3,750	331	3,982	17.2	13.9	33.6	12.1	29.5
2004 ¹¹	12,473	7,876	3,702	265	3,985	17.3	14.3	33.4	9.4	28.6
2005	12,335	7,652	3,743	312	3,977	17.1	13.9	34.2	11.0	27.7
2006	12,299	7,522	3,690	351	3,959	16.9	13.6	33.0	12.0	26.6
2007	12,802	8,002	3,838	345	4,348	17.6	14.4	34.3	11.8	28.3
2008	13,507	8,441	3,781	430	4,888	18.5	15.3	34.4	14.2	30.3
2009	14,774	9,440	3,919	444	5,419	20.1	17.0	35.3	13.6	32.5

NA Not available. ¹ Includes other races, not shown separately. ² Beginning 2002, data represent White alone, which refers to people who reported White and did not report any other race category. ³ Beginning 2002, data represent Black alone, which refers to people who reported Black and did not report any other race category. ⁴ Beginning 2002, data represent Asian alone, which refers to people who reported Asian and did not report any other race category. ⁵ People of Hispanic origin may be of any race. ⁶ Implementation of 1990 census population controls. ⁷ The March 1994 income supplement was revised to allow for the coding of different income amounts on selected questionnaire items. Limits either increased or decreased in the following categories: earnings increased to \$999,999; social security increased to \$49,999; supplemental security income and public assistance increased to \$24,999; veterans' benefits increased to \$99,999; child support and alimony decreased to \$49,999. ⁸ Implementation of Census 2000-based population controls. ⁹ Implementation of sample expansion to 28,000 households. ¹⁰ Beginning with the 2003 Current Population Survey (CPS), the questionnaire allowed respondents to choose more than one race. For 2002 and later, data represent persons who selected this race group only and excludes persons reporting more than one race. The CPS in prior years allowed respondents to report only one race group. See also comments on race in the text for Section 1. ¹¹ Data have been revised to reflect a correction to the weights in the 2005 Annual Social and Economic Supplement (ASEC).

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2009*, Current Population Reports, P60-238, and Historical Tables—Table 3, September 2010. See also <<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/poverty/poverty.html>> and <<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/poverty/data/historical/people.html>>.

Table 713. People Below Poverty Level by Selected Characteristics: 2009

[43,569 represents 43,569,000. People as of March 2010. Based on Current Population Survey (CPS); see text, this section and Section 1, and Appendix III. The 2010 CPS allowed respondents to choose more than one race. For 2009, data represent persons who selected this race group only and exclude persons reporting more than one race. The CPS in prior years allowed respondents to report only one race group. See also comments on race in the text for Section 1. For composition of regions, see map, inside front cover]

Sex, age, region, nativity	Number below poverty level (1,000)					Percent below poverty level				
	All races ¹	White alone	Black alone	Asian alone	Hispanic ²	All races ¹	White alone	Black alone	Asian alone	Hispanic ²
Total	43,569	29,830	9,944	1,746	12,350	14.3	12.3	25.8	12.5	25.3
Male	19,475	13,388	4,287	825	5,863	13.0	11.2	23.9	12.3	23.4
Female	24,094	16,442	5,656	921	6,487	15.6	13.5	27.5	12.6	27.4
Under 18 years old	15,451	9,938	4,033	463	5,610	20.7	17.7	35.7	14.0	33.1
18 to 24 years old	6,071	4,177	1,343	294	1,440	20.7	18.4	31.2	23.9	26.3
25 to 34 years old	6,123	4,263	1,316	255	1,864	14.9	13.3	23.8	10.8	23.0
35 to 44 years old	4,756	3,415	965	210	1,495	11.8	10.7	19.0	8.9	21.2
45 to 54 years old	4,421	3,124	963	176	914	10.0	8.6	18.0	9.0	17.3
55 to 59 years old	1,792	1,294	379	57	284	9.3	8.1	18.7	7.0	15.6
60 to 64 years old	1,520	1,117	298	77	227	9.4	8.2	17.7	12.1	17.6
65 years old and over	3,433	2,501	647	213	516	8.9	7.5	19.5	15.8	18.3
65 to 74 years old	1,675	1,240	295	103	296	8.0	6.9	15.5	13.9	17.5
75 years old and over	1,758	1,261	352	110	219	10.0	8.2	24.9	18.1	19.5
Northeast	6,650	4,342	1,595	495	1,611	12.2	9.9	23.7	16.2	24.1
Midwest	8,768	5,964	2,124	282	1,068	13.3	10.6	31.3	16.6	27.3
South	17,609	11,384	5,355	375	4,559	15.7	13.4	25.0	12.0	25.5
West	10,542	8,140	871	593	5,111	14.8	14.2	24.3	9.7	25.1
Native	36,407	24,642	9,235	632	7,748	13.7	11.3	26.3	11.8	25.2
Foreign born	7,162	5,188	709	1,114	4,603	19.0	21.1	20.5	12.9	25.5
Naturalized citizen	1,736	1,052	216	427	773	10.8	11.2	13.3	9.2	14.3
Not a citizen	5,425	4,136	492	686	3,830	25.1	27.1	26.9	17.3	30.2

¹ Includes other races, not shown separately. ² Persons of Hispanic origin may be any race.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2009*, Current Population Reports, P60-238, and Detailed Tables—Tables POV01, POV29, and POV41. See also <<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/cpstables/032010/pov/toc.htm>>.