

**Table 1.9 Percent of Children Under 18 in Poverty and Percent Change in the 50 State and the District of Columbia, 2000 - 2005**

*Ranked by Percent Change (2000 - 2005)*

RANK		PERCENT OF CHILDREN UNDER AGE 18 IN POVERTY 2000	PERCENT OF CHILDREN UNDER AGE 18 IN POVERTY 2005	PERCENT CHANGE 2000-2005
1	Wyoming	15	11	-27
2	Maryland	13	11	-15
3	Arizona	23	20	-13
3	North Dakota	15	13	-13
5	Washington	16	15	-6
6	California	20	19	-5
6	Florida	19	18	-5
8	Arkansas	25	25	0
8	Hawaii	13	13	0
8	Kentucky	22	22	0
8	Massachusetts	14	14	0
8	New Mexico	26	26	0
8	New York	19	19	0
8	Oregon	18	18	0
8	Virginia	13	13	0
8	West Virginia	26	26	0
17	Louisiana	27	28	4
18	Tennessee	20	21	5
19	Illinois	15	16	7
20	Iowa	13	14	8
21	Connecticut	11	12	9
22	Utah	10	11	10
23	Georgia	18	20	11
23	North Carolina	19	21	11
25	Pennsylvania	15	17	13
26	Texas	22	25	14
27	Alaska	13	15	15
27	Nevada	13	15	15
27	Vermont	13	15	15
30	Delaware	12	14	17
30	Wisconsin	12	14	17
32	Montana	17	20	18
33	Alabama	21	25	19
33	Mississippi	26	31	19
33	Missouri	16	19	19
33	Ohio	16	19	19
33	Rhode Island	16	19	19
38	New Jersey	10	12	20
39	Indiana	14	17	21
39	Oklahoma	19	23	21
39	South Carolina	19	23	21
42	Kansas	12	15	25
43	Idaho	14	18	29
43	South Dakota	14	18	29
45	Minnesota	9	12	33
46	Michigan	14	19	36
47	Colorado	10	14	40
48	Maine	12	17	42
49	Nebraska	10	15	50
49	New Hampshire	6	9	50
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Not Ranked	District of Columbia	30	32	7