

Table 7-13. Ratio of Child Recipients of Cash Assistance to Number of Children in Poverty, by State: Selected Years 1969 through 2009

Ratio is Expressed as a Percentage

State	1969	1979	1989	1999 ^a	2009
Alabama	21.4	45.5	36.1	15.7	12.5
Alaska	27.7	53.1	73.4	65.1	25.7
Arizona	28.6	25.8	35.0	25.8	15.6
Arkansas	14.9	39.0	30.6	15.4	7.5
California	78.8	86.5	85.1	64.9	57.1
Colorado	44.0	50.6	50.5	17.9	9.0
Connecticut	68.3	96.4	88.8	58.4	24.5
Delaware	49.6	90.1	68.7	47.1	24.2
District of Columbia	49.0	146.6	120.1	99.2	43.6
Florida	34.1	37.1	44.1	21.2	9.7
Georgia	31.1	43.7	54.9	28.3	6.2
Hawaii	48.2	103.3	90.8	123.4	44.7
Idaho	21.8	30.2	24.3	3.4	3.0
Illinois	59.7	92.7	83.1	44.3	8.3
Indiana	25.3	52.1	46.2	36.5	24.0
Iowa	35.3	63.4	58.3	45.8	32.7
Kansas	36.8	61.9	53.1	25.6	19.7
Kentucky	29.5	48.5	45.6	31.3	18.5
Louisiana	32.2	48.0	50.8	20.2	7.5
Maine	43.1	75.8	70.4	53.4	51.7
Maryland	52.9	93.1	87.6	37.9	26.4
Massachusetts	78.5	114.3	87.9	42.0	49.0
Michigan	49.5	113.8	89.6	44.4	23.4
Minnesota	35.2	68.7	69.1	61.9	21.2
Mississippi	23.6	51.2	51.5	13.0	7.8
Missouri	37.6	62.6	57.6	40.4	21.9
Montana	26.2	36.8	38.6	18.6	13.6
Nebraska	28.5	43.1	47.1	35.9	23.9
Nevada	38.3	29.6	34.9	16.3	14.5
New Hampshire	28.0	55.2	40.3	39.9	29.7
New Jersey	72.3	107.7	99.1	44.7	20.1
New Mexico	31.5	37.1	31.9	44.4	26.1
New York	93.9	81.7	79.8	54.7	31.9
North Carolina	19.2	44.2	49.5	24.9	8.3

State	1969	1979	1989	1999 ^a	2009
North Dakota	15.9	32.0	33.3	24.1	22.2
Ohio	46.9	77.1	81.5	42.6	26.8
Oklahoma	41.0	44.4	38.0	15.8	8.2
Oregon	47.4	73.8	50.2	22.4	28.2
Pennsylvania	60.2	93.0	77.3	43.7	19.3
Rhode Island	69.1	98.2	87.2	80.0	35.6
South Carolina	11.4	53.1	39.3	17.2	12.0
South Dakota	19.5	34.3	31.1	16.4	15.0
Tennessee	26.0	40.6	51.1	42.2	32.2
Texas	14.9	25.9	32.8	20.8	5.6
Utah	48.9	37.7	35.1	22.2	11.0
Vermont	43.1	60.7	74.4	64.8	28.8
Virginia	18.8	50.5	48.3	26.8	22.1
Washington	52.2	63.1	77.8	54.9	41.7
West Virginia	40.4	54.7	57.6	21.6	16.9
Wisconsin	35.9	89.7	83.2	20.8	15.9
Wyoming	21.1	35.4	45.7	5.5	3.1

Source: Congressional Research Service (CRS) based on data from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Integrated Public Use Microdata Series (IPUMS) data files based on the 1970, 1980, 1990, and 2000 decennial Census maintained at the University of Minnesota, and the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey for 2009.

- a. Number of children receiving cash assistance represents the average for the quarter, October 1999 through December 1999. Under the TANF "emergency" data reporting system in place for FY1997 through FY1999, states were not required to separately report aggregate caseload data for adults and children.