

Appendix B. City and Suburban Poverty Rates of the 95 Largest Metro Areas, 2007 to 2009

	Poverty Rate (%)						Percentage Point Change	
	Primary Cities			Suburbs			Primary Cities	Suburbs
	2007	2008	2009	2007	2008	2009	2007 to 2009	
95 Metro Area Total	18.0	18.2	19.5	9.1	9.5	10.4	1.4 *	1.2 *
Akron, OH	23.6	22.5	24.6	9.4	7.9	10.5	1.0	1.1
Albany, NY	24.4	24.9	22.9	8.5	8.9	8.3	-1.5	-0.2
Albuquerque, NM	15.8	15.0	16.6	12.8	13.6	14.8	0.8	2.0
Allentown, PA-NJ	18.9	20.4	29.0	6.4	7.2	7.3	10.2 *	1.0
Atlanta, GA	21.1	22.4	22.5	10.4	10.7	12.5	1.3	2.1 *
Augusta-Richmond County, GA-SC	24.6	24.1	22.1	13.2	14.0	15.3	-2.5	2.1
Austin, TX	17.5	17.0	18.4	8.4	9.1	9.9	0.9	1.5
Bakersfield, CA	15.5	16.7	20.6	20.0	24.2	23.6	5.1 *	3.6
Baltimore, MD	20.0	19.3	21.0	5.9	6.1	6.9	1.0	1.0
Baton Rouge, LA	24.9	25.5	24.3	12.4	12.2	12.2	-0.6	-0.2
Birmingham, AL	25.3	22.3	27.8	11.1	9.7	10.8	2.6	-0.3
Boise City, ID	8.8	9.9	14.6	11.1	12.2	14.1	5.8 *	3.0
Boston-Cambridge, MA-NH	20.2	18.0	16.4	7.2	7.6	8.0	-3.9 *	0.8 *
Bradenton, FL	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bridgeport-Stamford, CT	13.3	17.0	17.2	4.1	5.0	4.7	3.9 *	0.6
Buffalo, NY	28.7	30.3	28.8	8.9	8.2	9.3	0.1	0.4
Cape Coral, FL	7.4	10.5	12.4	11.3	10.6	12.8	5.0 *	1.6
Charleston, SC	17.3	20.3	18.2	11.5	12.6	15.0	0.9	3.5 *
Charlotte, NC-SC	12.4	12.0	15.3	10.8	10.7	12.4	3.0 *	1.6
Chattanooga, TN-GA	18.6	21.2	26.6	11.8	9.4	13.5	8.0 *	1.7
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI	19.1	19.4	20.3	7.7	8.3	9.0	1.1 *	1.2 *
Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN	23.5	25.1	25.7	9.1	9.1	10.3	2.2	1.2
Cleveland, OH	29.5	30.5	35.0	8.8	9.1	10.3	5.4 *	1.5 *
Colorado Springs, CO	11.8	11.8	12.1	6.6	8.4	9.5	0.3	2.9
Columbia, SC	20.1	23.2	21.7	11.2	11.4	11.8	1.6	0.7

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Columbus, OH	21.0	20.1	22.6	8.0	7.4	10.3	1.6	2.3
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	18.4	19.0	20.7	9.4	9.2	10.7	2.3 *	1.3 *
Dayton, OH	30.2	29.2	30.9	9.2	9.5	11.2	0.7	2.0
Denver-Aurora, CO	17.9	17.4	18.3	7.8	7.8	8.5	0.4	0.6
Des Moines, IA	15.4	14.5	17.2	5.1	6.2	6.3	1.8	1.2
Detroit-Warren, MI	30.6	30.7	33.5	9.6	9.5	10.9	2.9 *	1.3 *
El Paso, TX	27.4	24.3	22.6	35.1	31.0	29.2	-4.9 *	-6.0
Fresno, CA	21.9	25.5	22.7	17.9	18.8	20.2	0.8	2.3
Grand Rapids, MI	22.7	24.7	24.1	10.1	11.2	11.8	1.3	1.7
Greensboro-High Point, NC	18.8	16.2	20.9	14.2	12.2	12.7	2.1	-1.5
Greenville, SC	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Harrisburg, PA	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Hartford, CT	31.2	33.5	31.9	6.1	6.9	6.7	0.7	0.6
Honolulu, HI	8.6	10.8	10.5	7.0	6.8	9.4	1.9 *	2.5 *
Houston, TX	20.7	19.5	20.6	11.0	10.4	11.9	-0.1	0.9
Indianapolis, IN	16.0	16.4	20.2	6.1	7.3	8.1	4.2 *	2.0
Jackson, MS	28.1	26.9	27.8	11.0	14.0	13.7	-0.4	2.7
Jacksonville, FL	12.6	11.9	15.6	8.2	8.6	10.2	3.0 *	2.0
Kansas City, MO-KS	18.4	17.5	18.1	6.9	7.0	8.4	-0.3	1.5 *
Knoxville, TN	20.7	24.5	24.4	10.5	9.7	11.4	3.7	0.9
Lakeland, FL	11.8	13.3	16.9	12.9	15.8	17.0	5.1 *	4.2 *
Las Vegas, NV	11.9	12.6	14.9	9.7	10.0	11.1	2.9 *	1.4
Little Rock, AR	18.0	18.6	18.7	12.8	14.2	13.1	0.7	0.3
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA	18.4	19.3	19.7	10.5	11.1	12.0	1.4 *	1.5 *
Louisville/Jefferson County, KY-IN	14.5	14.4	15.7	11.4	10.7	12.0	1.3	0.6
Madison, WI	18.5	17.7	21.4	5.1	6.6	6.9	2.9	1.9

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McAllen, TX	27.3	28.3	28.7	35.8	36.7	36.9	1.4	1.2
Memphis, TN-MS-AR	26.2	23.1	26.2	11.6	11.7	12.0	0.1	0.4
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach, FL	22.1	22.6	23.2	11.6	12.6	14.2	1.1	2.6 *
Milwaukee, WI	24.4	23.4	27.0	5.6	4.9	6.3	2.5 *	0.7
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI	19.7	20.1	22.6	5.8	5.6	6.7	2.9 *	0.9 *
Modesto, CA	15.5	13.5	18.3	12.1	14.6	16.2	2.8	4.1
Nashville, TN	15.3	17.5	17.3	9.6	9.0	10.9	2.0	1.3
New Haven, CT	22.1	27.3	26.7	7.7	8.6	9.8	4.6	2.1 *
New Orleans, LA	20.6	22.6	23.8	13.1	11.4	12.6	3.2	-0.5
New York-Newark, NY-NJ-PA	18.7	18.5	18.9	6.8	7.2	7.8	0.2	0.9 *
Ogden, UT	19.4	18.4	23.3	5.8	5.7	6.5	3.9	0.6
Oklahoma City, OK	16.2	16.4	18.1	11.2	12.7	12.8	1.9	1.6
Omaha, NE-IA	14.7	15.0	13.7	7.3	7.0	7.1	-1.0	-0.2
Orlando, FL	15.0	18.9	16.7	10.0	11.0	12.9	1.7	3.0 *
Oxnard-Thousand Oaks-Ventura, CA	9.6	10.4	12.5	7.4	6.4	8.2	2.9 *	0.8
Palm Bay, FL	10.3	10.0	15.3	7.8	10.5	10.2	5.0	2.4
Philadelphia, PA-NJ-DE-MD	23.8	24.1	25.0	7.4	7.4	7.3	1.2	-0.1
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ	14.9	16.2	18.1	10.9	10.5	11.6	3.2 *	0.7
Pittsburgh, PA	21.0	21.2	23.1	9.9	10.6	10.7	2.1	0.8
Portland, ME	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA	14.6	14.3	15.8	9.5	9.8	10.2	1.2	0.7
Poughkeepsie, NY	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Providence, RI-MA	28.5	25.4	22.4	9.1	10.1	10.1	-6.2 *	1.0
Provo-Orem, UT	30.4	28.2	36.1	5.7	7.7	8.4	5.7 *	2.7 *
Raleigh-Cary, NC	10.0	10.9	12.8	8.6	9.0	10.2	2.8 *	1.6
Richmond, VA	22.9	26.7	23.9	8.0	7.5	8.8	1.1	0.8

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Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	14.7	16.8	19.7	11.2	12.9	14.6	5.0 *	3.4 *
Rochester, NY	29.1	29.3	30.5	9.1	8.5	7.6	1.3	-1.5
Sacramento-Roseville, CA	12.6	14.3	16.9	10.6	11.1	12.1	4.3 *	1.5
Salt Lake City, UT	15.9	14.3	16.6	6.9	7.3	8.7	0.7	1.8 *
San Antonio, TX	18.2	19.2	19.5	10.2	10.5	10.8	1.3	0.7
San Diego, CA	12.1	14.4	14.3	10.4	11.3	11.3	2.2 *	0.9
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA	11.4	12.0	12.2	8.2	8.2	8.7	0.8	0.4
San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA	9.5	8.2	10.7	6.6	6.0	6.7	1.1	0.1
Scranton, PA	20.3	17.7	18.7	10.6	13.1	13.1	-1.5	2.5 *
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA	12.6	11.9	11.7	8.8	8.4	9.8	-0.9	1.1 *
Springfield, MA	25.8	27.0	27.1	12.1	10.4	12.5	1.2	0.4
St. Louis, MO-IL	22.4	22.9	26.7	9.3	9.6	10.6	4.3 *	1.2 *
Stockton, CA	17.6	21.6	22.3	11.4	13.4	10.7	4.7 *	-0.7
Syracuse, NY	31.0	29.7	31.7	7.8	8.6	8.9	0.7	1.0
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL	15.2	15.3	17.8	10.0	11.7	12.6	2.6 *	2.6 *
Toledo, OH	22.6	24.7	23.8	8.8	8.9	10.6	1.2	1.8
Tucson, AZ	18.4	20.9	23.4	11.1	9.6	14.6	5.0 *	3.5
Tulsa, OK	19.1	18.3	19.5	10.5	9.6	9.3	0.4	-1.3
Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, VA-NC	11.2	11.1	10.6	9.7	9.6	10.1	-0.6	0.4
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV	12.8	13.3	14.2	5.5	5.8	6.1	1.4	0.6
Wichita, KS	14.7	14.3	15.6	8.4	8.5	8.0	0.9	-0.3
Worcester, MA	18.0	14.8	19.5	7.2	6.4	6.6	1.5	-0.6
Youngstown, OH-PA	32.6	33.5	35.7	12.6	13.6	13.5	3.1	0.8

*Significant at the 90 percent confidence level

Note: Metro area names reflect only the primary city or cities of the MSA.

Source: Brookings Institution analysis of 2007, 2008, and 2009 American Community Survey data