

**Table 13.22-- POVERTY STATUS OF PERSONS: 1969, 1975, AND  
1979 TO 2007**

[Based on Mainland poverty thresholds. Official Hawaii thresholds are approximately 15 percent higher than those in effect on the Mainland; these data accordingly understate the number and percent of persons below the poverty level in Hawaii. Data are based on censuses or surveys made in March or April of the following year, and exclude inmates of institutions, persons in military group quarters and in college dormitories, and unrelated individuals under 15 years (14 years before 1979)]

Year	Number	Percent	Year	Number	Percent
Census:			1979	91,618	9.9
1969	68,543	9.3	1989	88,408	8.3
1975	67,000	7.9	1999	126,154	10.7

  

Year	Total (1,000)	Number (1,000)	Standard error	Percent	Standard error
CPS: 1/					
1980	954	81	25	8.5	2.50
1981	953	108	29	11.3	2.90
1982	997	132	32	13.2	3.00
1983	998	129	19	12.9	1.79
1984	997	92	27	9.3	2.60
1985	1,018	109	18	10.7	1.70
1986	1,024	109	18	10.7	1.70
1987	1,086	95	16	8.8	1.50
1988	1,051	117	18	11.1	1.70
1989	1,086	122	19	11.3	1.80
1990	1,100	121	19	11.0	1.70
1991	1,164	90	17	7.7	1.40
1992	1,187	133	20	11.2	1.67
1993	1,135	91	17	8.0	1.47
1994	1,106	97	17	8.7	1.55
1995	1,187	122	20	10.3	1.68
1996	1,172	142	23	12.1	1.82
1997	1,182	164	24	13.9	1.92
1998	1,201	131	22	10.9	1.72
1999	1,225	133	22	10.8	1.69
2000	1,195	106	12	8.9	0.94
2001	1,205	138	13	11.4	1.05
2002	1,219	138	14	11.3	1.04
2003	1,250	117	12	9.3	0.95
2004 2/ 3/	1,244	106	12	8.6	0.98
2005 2/	1,274	110	12	8.6	0.97
2006 2/	1,254	116	13	9.2	1.01
2007 2/	1,264	94	12	7.5	0.91

1/ Current Population Survey. Based on small samples and subject to considerable sampling variation.

2/ For the United States, the poverty rate was 12.7 percent in 2004; 12.6 percent in 2005; 12.3 percent in 2006, and 12.5 percent in 2007.

3/ Source revised to reflect a correction to weights in the 2005 Annual Social and Economic (ASEC) Supplement.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, *1970 Census of Population*, PC(1)-C13 (December 1971), table 58; *Current Population Reports, Consumer Income*, Series P-60, No. 113 (July 1978), p. 179; *1980 Census of Population*, PC80-1-C13 (June 1983), table 72; *1990 Census of Population*, 1990 CP-2-13 (September 1993), table 29; *2000 Census of Population, Poverty 1999: Census 2000 Brief C2KBR-19* (May 2003), table 3; Historical Poverty Tables - People, Table 19 <<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/poverty/histpov/hstpov19.html>> and Table 21 <<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/poverty/histpov/hstpov21.html>> accessed March 3, 2009.