

**State and Local Government Spending for Public Welfare Programs
As a Percent of All State and Local Government Expenditures in 2000
National Percent = 15.5%***

ALPHA ORDER

| RANK | STATE | PERCENT |
|------|----------------|---------|
| 18 | Alabama | 16.0 |
| 46 | Alaska | 10.7 |
| 39 | Arizona | 12.7 |
| 11 | Arkansas | 18.1 |
| 25 | California | 14.9 |
| 43 | Colorado | 12.1 |
| 29 | Connecticut | 14.5 |
| 45 | Delaware | 11.7 |
| 40 | Florida | 12.6 |
| 27 | Georgia | 14.6 |
| 32 | Hawaii | 14.3 |
| 36 | Idaho | 13.6 |
| 35 | Illinois | 13.7 |
| 26 | Indiana | 14.8 |
| 29 | Iowa | 14.5 |
| 47 | Kansas | 10.5 |
| 2 | Kentucky | 21.5 |
| 34 | Louisiana | 13.8 |
| 1 | Maine | 22.8 |
| 27 | Maryland | 14.6 |
| 14 | Massachusetts | 16.7 |
| 23 | Michigan | 15.1 |
| 10 | Minnesota | 19.2 |
| 14 | Mississippi | 16.7 |
| 17 | Missouri | 16.3 |
| 41 | Montana | 12.3 |
| 13 | Nebraska | 17.0 |
| 48 | Nevada | 9.1 |
| 8 | New Hampshire | 19.6 |
| 41 | New Jersey | 12.3 |
| 24 | New Mexico | 15.0 |
| 3 | New York | 20.8 |
| 20 | North Carolina | 15.6 |
| 19 | North Dakota | 15.8 |
| 16 | Ohio | 16.6 |
| 50 | Oklahoma | 6.4 |
| 21 | Oregon | 15.2 |
| 6 | Pennsylvania | 20.2 |
| 4 | Rhode Island | 20.6 |
| 12 | South Carolina | 17.1 |
| 33 | South Dakota | 14.2 |
| 9 | Tennessee | 19.3 |
| 44 | Texas | 12.0 |
| 37 | Utah | 13.4 |
| 5 | Vermont | 20.3 |
| 38 | Virginia | 12.9 |
| 21 | Washington | 15.2 |
| 6 | West Virginia | 20.2 |
| 29 | Wisconsin | 14.5 |
| 49 | Wyoming | 8.8 |

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| 1 | Maine | 22.8 |
| 2 | Kentucky | 21.5 |
| 3 | New York | 20.8 |
| 4 | Rhode Island | 20.6 |
| 5 | Vermont | 20.3 |
| 6 | Pennsylvania | 20.2 |
| 6 | West Virginia | 20.2 |
| 8 | New Hampshire | 19.6 |
| 9 | Tennessee | 19.3 |
| 10 | Minnesota | 19.2 |
| 11 | Arkansas | 18.1 |
| 12 | South Carolina | 17.1 |
| 13 | Nebraska | 17.0 |
| 14 | Massachusetts | 16.7 |
| 14 | Mississippi | 16.7 |
| 16 | Ohio | 16.6 |
| 17 | Missouri | 16.3 |
| 18 | Alabama | 16.0 |
| 19 | North Dakota | 15.8 |
| 20 | North Carolina | 15.6 |
| 21 | Oregon | 15.2 |
| 21 | Washington | 15.2 |
| 23 | Michigan | 15.1 |
| 24 | New Mexico | 15.0 |
| 25 | California | 14.9 |
| 26 | Indiana | 14.8 |
| 27 | Georgia | 14.6 |
| 27 | Maryland | 14.6 |
| 29 | Connecticut | 14.5 |
| 29 | Iowa | 14.5 |
| 29 | Wisconsin | 14.5 |
| 32 | Hawaii | 14.3 |
| 33 | South Dakota | 14.2 |
| 34 | Louisiana | 13.8 |
| 35 | Illinois | 13.7 |
| 36 | Idaho | 13.6 |
| 37 | Utah | 13.4 |
| 38 | Virginia | 12.9 |
| 39 | Arizona | 12.7 |
| 40 | Florida | 12.6 |
| 41 | Montana | 12.3 |
| 41 | New Jersey | 12.3 |
| 43 | Colorado | 12.1 |
| 44 | Texas | 12.0 |
| 45 | Delaware | 11.7 |
| 46 | Alaska | 10.7 |
| 47 | Kansas | 10.5 |
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District of Columbia 24.3

Source: Morgan Quitno Press using data from U.S. Bureau of the Census, Governments Division

"State and Local Government Finances: 1999-2000" (<http://www.census.gov/govs/www/estimate00.html>)

*As a percent of direct general expenditures. Includes funds for cash assistance programs, medical and other vendor payments, welfare institutions and other public welfare programs.