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	2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Supporting documentation on code lists, subject definitions, data accuracy, and statistical testing can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Data and Documentation section.

Sample size and data quality measures (including coverage rates, allocation rates, and response rates) can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Methodology section.

Although the American Community Survey (ACS) produces population, demographic and housing unit estimates, for 2010, the 2010 Census provides the official counts of the population and housing units for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns. For 2006 to 2009, the Population Estimates Program provides intercensal estimates of the population for the nation, states, and counties.

Subject	Rensselaer city, Rensselaer County, New York			
	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	4,272	+/-233	4,272	(X)
Family households (families)	2,097	+/-186	49.1%	+/-4.5
With own children under 18 years	760	+/-170	17.8%	+/-3.9
Married-couple family	1,175	+/-200	27.5%	+/-4.8
With own children under 18 years	349	+/-130	8.2%	+/-3.1
Male householder, no wife present, family	323	+/-133	7.6%	+/-3.2
With own children under 18 years	52	+/-38	1.2%	+/-0.9
Female householder, no husband present, family	599	+/-175	14.0%	+/-3.9
With own children under 18 years	359	+/-135	8.4%	+/-3.1
Nonfamily households	2,175	+/-256	50.9%	+/-4.5
Householder living alone	1,697	+/-256	39.7%	+/-4.8
65 years and over	537	+/-170	12.6%	+/-3.8
Households with one or more people under 18 years	896	+/-148	21.0%	+/-3.5
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	1,058	+/-202	24.8%	+/-4.6
Average household size	2.14	+/-0.12	(X)	(X)
Average family size	2.87	+/-0.19	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	9,162	+/-23	9,162	(X)
Householder	4,272	+/-233	46.6%	+/-2.6
Spouse	1,148	+/-199	12.5%	+/-2.2
Child	2,230	+/-281	24.3%	+/-3.1
Other relatives	546	+/-226	6.0%	+/-2.5
Nonrelatives	966	+/-232	10.5%	+/-2.5
Unmarried partner	496	+/-166	5.4%	+/-1.8
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	3,992	+/-260	3,992	(X)
Never married	1,810	+/-293	45.3%	+/-5.8
Now married, except separated	1,268	+/-214	31.8%	+/-5.4
Separated	155	+/-117	3.9%	+/-2.8
Widowed	177	+/-105	4.4%	+/-2.7
Divorced	582	+/-174	14.6%	+/-4.5
Females 15 years and over	3,942	+/-260	3,942	(X)

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Never married	1,489	+/-250	37.8%	+/-5.9
Now married, except separated	1,234	+/-209	31.3%	+/-5.1
Separated	160	+/-72	4.1%	+/-1.8
Widowed	436	+/-156	11.1%	+/-3.8
Divorced	623	+/-179	15.8%	+/-4.3
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	216	+/-116	216	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	76	+/-65	35.2%	+/-26.4
Per 1,000 unmarried women	48	+/-39	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	91	+/-49	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	27	+/-57	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	93	+/-84	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	108	+/-70	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	137	+/-86	137	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	31	+/-37	22.6%	+/-26.4
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-22.3
1 or 2 years	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-22.3
3 or 4 years	31	+/-37	22.6%	+/-26.4
5 or more years	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-22.3
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	31	+/-37	31	(X)
Who are female	31	+/-37	100.0%	+/-55.3
Who are married	10	+/-17	32.3%	+/-27.5
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	1,761	+/-277	1,761	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	95	+/-60	5.4%	+/-3.4
Kindergarten	127	+/-63	7.2%	+/-3.7
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	572	+/-162	32.5%	+/-7.7
High school (grades 9-12)	445	+/-179	25.3%	+/-9.1
College or graduate school	522	+/-160	29.6%	+/-7.4
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	6,599	+/-315	6,599	(X)
Less than 9th grade	323	+/-131	4.9%	+/-2.0
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	724	+/-214	11.0%	+/-3.3
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	2,383	+/-369	36.1%	+/-5.4
Some college, no degree	1,168	+/-281	17.7%	+/-4.1
Associate's degree	512	+/-163	7.8%	+/-2.4
Bachelor's degree	868	+/-236	13.2%	+/-3.4
Graduate or professional degree	621	+/-158	9.4%	+/-2.5
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	84.1%	+/-3.7
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	22.6%	+/-4.2
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	7,584	+/-221	7,584	(X)
Civilian veterans	936	+/-247	12.3%	+/-3.2
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Under 18 years	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
65 years and over	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	8,916	+/-146	8,916	(X)

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Same house	7,487	+/-366	84.0%	+/-3.7
Different house in the U.S.	1,421	+/-329	15.9%	+/-3.7
Same county	637	+/-237	7.1%	+/-2.7
Different county	784	+/-234	8.8%	+/-2.6
Same state	607	+/-199	6.8%	+/-2.2
Different state	177	+/-116	2.0%	+/-1.3
Abroad	8	+/-12	0.1%	+/-0.1
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	9,162	+/-23	9,162	(X)
Native	8,339	+/-301	91.0%	+/-3.3
Born in United States	8,290	+/-297	90.5%	+/-3.3
State of residence	7,178	+/-346	78.3%	+/-3.8
Different state	1,112	+/-243	12.1%	+/-2.7
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	49	+/-61	0.5%	+/-0.7
Foreign born	823	+/-303	9.0%	+/-3.3
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	823	+/-303	823	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	263	+/-111	32.0%	+/-12.4
Not a U.S. citizen	560	+/-255	68.0%	+/-12.4
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	872	+/-299	872	(X)
Native	49	+/-61	49	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-44.0
Entered before 2000	49	+/-61	100.0%	+/-44.0
Foreign born	823	+/-303	823	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	420	+/-226	51.0%	+/-14.8
Entered before 2000	403	+/-148	49.0%	+/-14.8
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	823	+/-303	823	(X)
Europe	226	+/-108	27.5%	+/-12.0
Asia	437	+/-229	53.1%	+/-17.8
Africa	9	+/-15	1.1%	+/-1.9
Oceania	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-4.2
Latin America	151	+/-120	18.3%	+/-12.7
Northern America	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-4.2
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	8,626	+/-169	8,626	(X)
English only	7,655	+/-371	88.7%	+/-3.4
Language other than English	971	+/-291	11.3%	+/-3.4
Speak English less than "very well"	457	+/-231	5.3%	+/-2.7
Spanish	240	+/-133	2.8%	+/-1.5
Speak English less than "very well"	112	+/-88	1.3%	+/-1.0
Other Indo-European languages	265	+/-134	3.1%	+/-1.6
Speak English less than "very well"	81	+/-71	0.9%	+/-0.8
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	440	+/-220	5.1%	+/-2.6
Speak English less than "very well"	264	+/-187	3.1%	+/-2.2
Other languages	26	+/-40	0.3%	+/-0.5
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.4
ANCESTRY				
Total population	9,162	+/-23	9,162	(X)
American	261	+/-186	2.8%	+/-2.0
Arab	10	+/-16	0.1%	+/-0.2
Czech	17	+/-19	0.2%	+/-0.2
Danish	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.4
Dutch	775	+/-350	8.5%	+/-3.8
English	1,089	+/-403	11.9%	+/-4.4
French (except Basque)	639	+/-274	7.0%	+/-3.0

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	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
French Canadian	334	+/-187	3.6%	+/-2.0
German	1,649	+/-408	18.0%	+/-4.5
Greek	36	+/-56	0.4%	+/-0.6
Hungarian	49	+/-58	0.5%	+/-0.6
Irish	2,249	+/-370	24.5%	+/-4.0
Italian	1,784	+/-367	19.5%	+/-4.0
Lithuanian	31	+/-33	0.3%	+/-0.4
Norwegian	15	+/-25	0.2%	+/-0.3
Polish	541	+/-227	5.9%	+/-2.5
Portuguese	154	+/-164	1.7%	+/-1.8
Russian	120	+/-71	1.3%	+/-0.8
Scotch-Irish	108	+/-72	1.2%	+/-0.8
Scottish	122	+/-88	1.3%	+/-1.0
Slovak	4	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.2
Subsaharan African	9	+/-15	0.1%	+/-0.2
Swedish	63	+/-51	0.7%	+/-0.6
Swiss	14	+/-23	0.2%	+/-0.3
Ukrainian	40	+/-39	0.4%	+/-0.4
Welsh	62	+/-42	0.7%	+/-0.5
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.4

Data are based on a sample and are subject to sampling variability. The degree of uncertainty for an estimate arising from sampling variability is represented through the use of a margin of error. The value shown here is the 90 percent margin of error. The margin of error can be interpreted roughly as providing a 90 percent probability that the interval defined by the estimate minus the margin of error and the estimate plus the margin of error (the lower and upper confidence bounds) contains the true value. In addition to sampling variability, the ACS estimates are subject to nonsampling error (for a discussion of nonsampling variability, see Accuracy of the Data). The effect of nonsampling error is not represented in these tables.

While the 2006-2010 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the December 2009 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) definitions of metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas; in certain instances the names, codes, and boundaries of the principal cities shown in ACS tables may differ from the OMB definitions due to differences in the effective dates of the geographic entities.

Estimates of urban and rural population, housing units, and characteristics reflect boundaries of urban areas defined based on Census 2000 data. Boundaries for urban areas have not been updated since Census 2000. As a result, data for urban and rural areas from the ACS do not necessarily reflect the results of ongoing urbanization.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2010 American Community Survey

Explanation of Symbols:

1. An '**' entry in the margin of error column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute a standard error and thus the margin of error. A statistical test is not appropriate.
2. An '-' entry in the estimate column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute an estimate, or a ratio of medians cannot be calculated because one or both of the median estimates falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
3. An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
4. An '+' following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
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6. An '*****' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.
7. An 'N' entry in the estimate and margin of error columns indicates that data for this geographic area cannot be displayed because the number of sample cases is too small.
8. An '(X)' means that the estimate is not applicable or not available.