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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

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	Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY Metro Area			
	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>				
Total housing units	389,620	+/-1,069	389,620	(X)
Occupied housing units	346,139	+/-1,565	88.8%	+/-0.4
Vacant housing units	43,481	+/-1,383	11.2%	+/-0.4
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.5	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	5.1	+/-0.5	(X)	(X)
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE</b>				
Total housing units	389,620	+/-1,069	389,620	(X)
1-unit, detached	221,979	+/-1,748	57.0%	+/-0.4
1-unit, attached	14,255	+/-740	3.7%	+/-0.2
2 units	51,116	+/-1,358	13.1%	+/-0.3
3 or 4 units	30,537	+/-1,026	7.8%	+/-0.3
5 to 9 units	20,376	+/-884	5.2%	+/-0.2
10 to 19 units	13,937	+/-687	3.6%	+/-0.2
20 or more units	20,818	+/-880	5.3%	+/-0.2
Mobile home	16,563	+/-722	4.3%	+/-0.2
Boat, RV, van, etc.	39	+/-38	0.0%	+/-0.1
<b>YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT</b>				
Total housing units	389,620	+/-1,069	389,620	(X)
Built 2005 or later	8,547	+/-612	2.2%	+/-0.2
Built 2000 to 2004	19,953	+/-824	5.1%	+/-0.2
Built 1990 to 1999	36,789	+/-1,264	9.4%	+/-0.3
Built 1980 to 1989	42,550	+/-1,126	10.9%	+/-0.3
Built 1970 to 1979	49,553	+/-1,464	12.7%	+/-0.4
Built 1960 to 1969	37,500	+/-1,091	9.6%	+/-0.3
Built 1950 to 1959	44,883	+/-1,344	11.5%	+/-0.3
Built 1940 to 1949	24,264	+/-794	6.2%	+/-0.2
Built 1939 or earlier	125,581	+/-2,068	32.2%	+/-0.5
<b>ROOMS</b>				
Total housing units	389,620	+/-1,069	389,620	(X)
1 room	5,808	+/-616	1.5%	+/-0.2
2 rooms	9,414	+/-771	2.4%	+/-0.2
3 rooms	35,182	+/-1,159	9.0%	+/-0.3
4 rooms	60,316	+/-1,447	15.5%	+/-0.4

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5 rooms	67,594	+/-1,579	17.3%	+/-0.4
6 rooms	77,689	+/-1,563	19.9%	+/-0.4
7 rooms	52,569	+/-1,269	13.5%	+/-0.3
8 rooms	39,171	+/-1,145	10.1%	+/-0.3
9 rooms or more	41,877	+/-996	10.7%	+/-0.3
Median rooms	5.7	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
<b>BEDROOMS</b>				
Total housing units	389,620	+/-1,069	389,620	(X)
No bedroom	6,912	+/-660	1.8%	+/-0.2
1 bedroom	47,240	+/-1,422	12.1%	+/-0.4
2 bedrooms	103,080	+/-1,781	26.5%	+/-0.5
3 bedrooms	146,966	+/-1,942	37.7%	+/-0.5
4 bedrooms	69,124	+/-1,274	17.7%	+/-0.3
5 or more bedrooms	16,298	+/-731	4.2%	+/-0.2
<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>				
Occupied housing units	346,139	+/-1,565	346,139	(X)
Owner-occupied	229,151	+/-1,960	66.2%	+/-0.5
Renter-occupied	116,988	+/-1,908	33.8%	+/-0.5
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.59	+/-0.02	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.03	+/-0.03	(X)	(X)
<b>YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT</b>				
Occupied housing units	346,139	+/-1,565	346,139	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	108,040	+/-1,948	31.2%	+/-0.5
Moved in 2000 to 2004	75,085	+/-1,627	21.7%	+/-0.5
Moved in 1990 to 1999	70,963	+/-1,337	20.5%	+/-0.4
Moved in 1980 to 1989	38,812	+/-1,064	11.2%	+/-0.3
Moved in 1970 to 1979	24,965	+/-836	7.2%	+/-0.2
Moved in 1969 or earlier	28,274	+/-792	8.2%	+/-0.2
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>				
Occupied housing units	346,139	+/-1,565	346,139	(X)
No vehicles available	33,637	+/-1,239	9.7%	+/-0.3
1 vehicle available	122,302	+/-1,799	35.3%	+/-0.5
2 vehicles available	135,331	+/-1,891	39.1%	+/-0.5
3 or more vehicles available	54,869	+/-1,267	15.9%	+/-0.4
<b>HOUSE HEATING FUEL</b>				
Occupied housing units	346,139	+/-1,565	346,139	(X)
Utility gas	206,953	+/-1,797	59.8%	+/-0.4
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	16,437	+/-710	4.7%	+/-0.2
Electricity	40,969	+/-1,184	11.8%	+/-0.3
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	68,203	+/-1,246	19.7%	+/-0.4
Coal or coke	487	+/-166	0.1%	+/-0.1
Wood	10,549	+/-541	3.0%	+/-0.2
Solar energy	166	+/-109	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	1,851	+/-263	0.5%	+/-0.1
No fuel used	524	+/-145	0.2%	+/-0.1
<b>SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS</b>				
Occupied housing units	346,139	+/-1,565	346,139	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	1,174	+/-261	0.3%	+/-0.1
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	1,747	+/-320	0.5%	+/-0.1
No telephone service available	10,304	+/-708	3.0%	+/-0.2
<b>OCCUPANTS PER ROOM</b>				
Occupied housing units	346,139	+/-1,565	346,139	(X)
1.00 or less	342,095	+/-1,621	98.8%	+/-0.1
1.01 to 1.50	2,660	+/-315	0.8%	+/-0.1
1.51 or more	1,384	+/-315	0.4%	+/-0.1
<b>VALUE</b>				
Owner-occupied units	229,151	+/-1,960	229,151	(X)
Less than \$50,000	11,851	+/-701	5.2%	+/-0.3

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\$50,000 to \$99,999	23,353	+/-859	10.2%	+/-0.4
\$100,000 to \$149,999	38,822	+/-1,146	16.9%	+/-0.5
\$150,000 to \$199,999	49,621	+/-1,245	21.7%	+/-0.5
\$200,000 to \$299,999	59,876	+/-1,250	26.1%	+/-0.5
\$300,000 to \$499,999	35,405	+/-1,109	15.5%	+/-0.5
\$500,000 to \$999,999	8,738	+/-577	3.8%	+/-0.3
\$1,000,000 or more	1,485	+/-250	0.6%	+/-0.1
Median (dollars)	189,600	+/-1,498	(X)	(X)
<b>MORTGAGE STATUS</b>				
Owner-occupied units	229,151	+/-1,960	229,151	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	153,595	+/-1,671	67.0%	+/-0.5
Housing units without a mortgage	75,556	+/-1,383	33.0%	+/-0.5
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)</b>				
Housing units with a mortgage	153,595	+/-1,671	153,595	(X)
Less than \$300	157	+/-72	0.1%	+/-0.1
\$300 to \$499	1,601	+/-260	1.0%	+/-0.2
\$500 to \$699	4,743	+/-463	3.1%	+/-0.3
\$700 to \$999	15,372	+/-682	10.0%	+/-0.4
\$1,000 to \$1,499	47,607	+/-1,498	31.0%	+/-0.8
\$1,500 to \$1,999	41,133	+/-1,215	26.8%	+/-0.8
\$2,000 or more	42,982	+/-1,216	28.0%	+/-0.7
Median (dollars)	1,579	+/-14	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	75,556	+/-1,383	75,556	(X)
Less than \$100	248	+/-110	0.3%	+/-0.1
\$100 to \$199	1,748	+/-256	2.3%	+/-0.3
\$200 to \$299	5,351	+/-392	7.1%	+/-0.5
\$300 to \$399	10,404	+/-578	13.8%	+/-0.7
\$400 or more	57,805	+/-1,240	76.5%	+/-0.9
Median (dollars)	560	+/-6	(X)	(X)
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAP I)</b>				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP I cannot be computed)	153,213	+/-1,695	153,213	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	57,777	+/-1,282	37.7%	+/-0.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	28,132	+/-910	18.4%	+/-0.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	20,069	+/-743	13.1%	+/-0.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	13,476	+/-827	8.8%	+/-0.5
35.0 percent or more	33,759	+/-1,229	22.0%	+/-0.8
Not computed	382	+/-144	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP I cannot be computed)	75,155	+/-1,371	75,155	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	25,223	+/-950	33.6%	+/-1.1
10.0 to 14.9 percent	16,502	+/-750	22.0%	+/-0.9
15.0 to 19.9 percent	10,530	+/-576	14.0%	+/-0.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	5,926	+/-465	7.9%	+/-0.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	3,887	+/-399	5.2%	+/-0.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	2,887	+/-364	3.8%	+/-0.5
35.0 percent or more	10,200	+/-584	13.6%	+/-0.7
Not computed	401	+/-138	(X)	(X)
<b>GROSS RENT</b>				
Occupied units paying rent	112,636	+/-1,876	112,636	(X)
Less than \$200	1,734	+/-290	1.5%	+/-0.3
\$200 to \$299	4,124	+/-422	3.7%	+/-0.4
\$300 to \$499	8,480	+/-615	7.5%	+/-0.5
\$500 to \$749	29,112	+/-1,213	25.8%	+/-0.9
\$750 to \$999	37,448	+/-1,147	33.2%	+/-1.0
\$1,000 to \$1,499	26,240	+/-1,166	23.3%	+/-0.9
\$1,500 or more	5,498	+/-490	4.9%	+/-0.4
Median (dollars)	831	+/-7	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	4,352	+/-472	(X)	(X)

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	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	110,914	+/-1,890	110,914	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	15,476	+/-959	14.0%	+/-0.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	16,695	+/-1,019	15.1%	+/-0.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	14,210	+/-821	12.8%	+/-0.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	13,029	+/-782	11.7%	+/-0.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	9,274	+/-643	8.4%	+/-0.6
35.0 percent or more	42,230	+/-1,360	38.1%	+/-1.1
Not computed	6,074	+/-584	(X)	(X)

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.

The median gross rent excludes no cash renters.

In prior years, the universe included all owner-occupied units with a mortgage. It is now restricted to include only those units where SMOCAPI is computed, that is, SMOC and household income are valid values.

In prior years, the universe included all owner-occupied units without a mortgage. It is now restricted to include only those units where SMOCAPI is computed, that is, SMOC and household income are valid values.

In prior years, the universe included all renter-occupied units. It is now restricted to include only those units where GRAPI is computed, that is, gross rent and household income are valid values.

The 2009 and 2010 plumbing data for Puerto Rico will not be shown. Research indicates that the questions on plumbing facilities that were introduced in 2008 in the stateside American Community Survey and the 2008 Puerto Rico Community Survey may not have been appropriate for Puerto Rico.

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.
5. An '\*\*\*' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the median falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution. A statistical test is not appropriate.
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.

