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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 County, New York			
	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	136,810	+/-951	136,810	(X)
Occupied housing units	124,391	+/-1,337	90.9%	+/-0.6
Vacant housing units	12,419	+/-862	9.1%	+/-0.6
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.6	+/-0.4	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	4.2	+/-0.7	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	136,810	+/-951	136,810	(X)
1-unit, detached	69,165	+/-1,137	50.6%	+/-0.7
1-unit, attached	5,825	+/-455	4.3%	+/-0.3
2 units	22,436	+/-808	16.4%	+/-0.6
3 or 4 units	12,606	+/-707	9.2%	+/-0.5
5 to 9 units	8,991	+/-583	6.6%	+/-0.4
10 to 19 units	5,641	+/-519	4.1%	+/-0.4
20 or more units	10,142	+/-637	7.4%	+/-0.5
Mobile home	1,984	+/-236	1.5%	+/-0.2
Boat, RV, van, etc.	20	+/-33	0.0%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	136,810	+/-951	136,810	(X)
Built 2005 or later	1,712	+/-245	1.3%	+/-0.2
Built 2000 to 2004	5,056	+/-408	3.7%	+/-0.3
Built 1990 to 1999	10,360	+/-582	7.6%	+/-0.4
Built 1980 to 1989	12,467	+/-707	9.1%	+/-0.5
Built 1970 to 1979	17,549	+/-840	12.8%	+/-0.6
Built 1960 to 1969	14,342	+/-736	10.5%	+/-0.5
Built 1950 to 1959	18,862	+/-873	13.8%	+/-0.6
Built 1940 to 1949	9,833	+/-645	7.2%	+/-0.5
Built 1939 or earlier	46,629	+/-1,240	34.1%	+/-0.9
ROOMS				
Total housing units	136,810	+/-951	136,810	(X)
1 room	3,067	+/-473	2.2%	+/-0.3
2 rooms	3,398	+/-369	2.5%	+/-0.3
3 rooms	14,567	+/-853	10.6%	+/-0.6
4 rooms	21,843	+/-874	16.0%	+/-0.6

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5 rooms	23,332	+/-979	17.1%	+/-0.7
6 rooms	25,701	+/-1,074	18.8%	+/-0.8
7 rooms	17,713	+/-853	12.9%	+/-0.6
8 rooms	12,976	+/-676	9.5%	+/-0.5
9 rooms or more	14,213	+/-773	10.4%	+/-0.6
Median rooms	5.6	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	136,810	+/-951	136,810	(X)
No bedroom	3,511	+/-494	2.6%	+/-0.4
1 bedroom	20,466	+/-946	15.0%	+/-0.7
2 bedrooms	35,767	+/-1,087	26.1%	+/-0.8
3 bedrooms	48,765	+/-1,206	35.6%	+/-0.8
4 bedrooms	23,050	+/-791	16.8%	+/-0.6
5 or more bedrooms	5,251	+/-439	3.8%	+/-0.3
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	124,391	+/-1,337	124,391	(X)
Owner-occupied	73,254	+/-1,199	58.9%	+/-0.8
Renter-occupied	51,137	+/-1,266	41.1%	+/-0.8
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.53	+/-0.03	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	1.97	+/-0.03	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	124,391	+/-1,337	124,391	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	42,619	+/-1,206	34.3%	+/-0.9
Moved in 2000 to 2004	26,172	+/-1,073	21.0%	+/-0.8
Moved in 1990 to 1999	24,686	+/-823	19.8%	+/-0.6
Moved in 1980 to 1989	12,955	+/-672	10.4%	+/-0.6
Moved in 1970 to 1979	8,424	+/-512	6.8%	+/-0.4
Moved in 1969 or earlier	9,535	+/-541	7.7%	+/-0.4
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	124,391	+/-1,337	124,391	(X)
No vehicles available	15,362	+/-877	12.3%	+/-0.7
1 vehicle available	47,804	+/-1,199	38.4%	+/-0.9
2 vehicles available	44,658	+/-1,181	35.9%	+/-0.9
3 or more vehicles available	16,567	+/-757	13.3%	+/-0.6
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	124,391	+/-1,337	124,391	(X)
Utility gas	86,974	+/-1,339	69.9%	+/-0.7
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	2,371	+/-261	1.9%	+/-0.2
Electricity	15,836	+/-689	12.7%	+/-0.6
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	16,559	+/-630	13.3%	+/-0.5
Coal or coke	102	+/-72	0.1%	+/-0.1
Wood	1,695	+/-236	1.4%	+/-0.2
Solar energy	33	+/-48	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	546	+/-163	0.4%	+/-0.1
No fuel used	275	+/-110	0.2%	+/-0.1
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	124,391	+/-1,337	124,391	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	412	+/-171	0.3%	+/-0.1
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	717	+/-202	0.6%	+/-0.2
No telephone service available	4,781	+/-515	3.8%	+/-0.4
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	124,391	+/-1,337	124,391	(X)
1.00 or less	122,852	+/-1,355	98.8%	+/-0.3
1.01 to 1.50	743	+/-197	0.6%	+/-0.2
1.51 or more	796	+/-247	0.6%	+/-0.2
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	73,254	+/-1,199	73,254	(X)
Less than \$50,000	1,939	+/-277	2.6%	+/-0.4

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	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
\$50,000 to \$99,999	5,873	+/-496	8.0%	+/-0.6
\$100,000 to \$149,999	11,216	+/-683	15.3%	+/-0.9
\$150,000 to \$199,999	16,913	+/-686	23.1%	+/-0.9
\$200,000 to \$299,999	21,515	+/-817	29.4%	+/-1.0
\$300,000 to \$499,999	12,551	+/-697	17.1%	+/-0.9
\$500,000 to \$999,999	2,798	+/-318	3.8%	+/-0.4
\$1,000,000 or more	449	+/-116	0.6%	+/-0.2
Median (dollars)	202,500	+/-2,666	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	73,254	+/-1,199	73,254	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	49,373	+/-1,072	67.4%	+/-1.0
Housing units without a mortgage	23,881	+/-872	32.6%	+/-1.0
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	49,373	+/-1,072	49,373	(X)
Less than \$300	52	+/-45	0.1%	+/-0.1
\$300 to \$499	398	+/-143	0.8%	+/-0.3
\$500 to \$699	1,316	+/-218	2.7%	+/-0.4
\$700 to \$999	4,463	+/-415	9.0%	+/-0.8
\$1,000 to \$1,499	14,752	+/-807	29.9%	+/-1.4
\$1,500 to \$1,999	13,746	+/-655	27.8%	+/-1.2
\$2,000 or more	14,646	+/-564	29.7%	+/-1.1
Median (dollars)	1,626	+/-21	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	23,881	+/-872	23,881	(X)
Less than \$100	105	+/-66	0.4%	+/-0.3
\$100 to \$199	449	+/-135	1.9%	+/-0.5
\$200 to \$299	1,633	+/-235	6.8%	+/-0.9
\$300 to \$399	3,193	+/-348	13.4%	+/-1.4
\$400 or more	18,501	+/-748	77.5%	+/-1.7
Median (dollars)	557	+/-11	(X)	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAP I)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP I cannot be computed)	49,320	+/-1,067	49,320	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	19,802	+/-716	40.2%	+/-1.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	8,735	+/-577	17.7%	+/-1.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	6,004	+/-388	12.2%	+/-0.8
30.0 to 34.9 percent	4,387	+/-457	8.9%	+/-0.9
35.0 percent or more	10,392	+/-741	21.1%	+/-1.3
Not computed	53	+/-50	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP I cannot be computed)	23,769	+/-869	23,769	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	8,875	+/-606	37.3%	+/-2.0
10.0 to 14.9 percent	5,364	+/-406	22.6%	+/-1.7
15.0 to 19.9 percent	3,141	+/-337	13.2%	+/-1.3
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,539	+/-257	6.5%	+/-1.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,278	+/-223	5.4%	+/-0.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	724	+/-167	3.0%	+/-0.7
35.0 percent or more	2,848	+/-325	12.0%	+/-1.3
Not computed	112	+/-82	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	49,896	+/-1,237	49,896	(X)
Less than \$200	574	+/-184	1.2%	+/-0.4
\$200 to \$299	1,959	+/-290	3.9%	+/-0.6
\$300 to \$499	3,293	+/-366	6.6%	+/-0.7
\$500 to \$749	12,159	+/-869	24.4%	+/-1.6
\$750 to \$999	16,349	+/-940	32.8%	+/-1.7
\$1,000 to \$1,499	13,377	+/-873	26.8%	+/-1.6
\$1,500 or more	2,185	+/-310	4.4%	+/-0.6
Median (dollars)	855	+/-11	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	1,241	+/-252	(X)	(X)

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GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	48,859	+/-1,269	48,859	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	7,077	+/-649	14.5%	+/-1.3
15.0 to 19.9 percent	7,205	+/-630	14.7%	+/-1.2
20.0 to 24.9 percent	6,255	+/-547	12.8%	+/-1.0
25.0 to 29.9 percent	5,573	+/-560	11.4%	+/-1.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	3,818	+/-409	7.8%	+/-0.8
35.0 percent or more	18,931	+/-882	38.7%	+/-1.5
Not computed	2,278	+/-410	(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.

