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2007-2011 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, it is the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program that produces and disseminates the official estimates of the population for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns and estimates of housing units for states and counties.

Subject	Rensselaer city, Rensselaer County, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	4,380	+/-221	4,380	(X)
Family households (families)	2,162	+/-202	49.4%	+/-5.4
With own children under 18 years	772	+/-178	17.6%	+/-4.1
Married-couple family	1,256	+/-197	28.7%	+/-4.8
With own children under 18 years	367	+/-129	8.4%	+/-3.1
Male householder, no wife present, family	237	+/-110	5.4%	+/-2.6
With own children under 18 years	36	+/-30	0.8%	+/-0.7
Female householder, no husband present, family	669	+/-174	15.3%	+/-3.9
With own children under 18 years	369	+/-154	8.4%	+/-3.4
Nonfamily households	2,218	+/-309	50.6%	+/-5.4
Householder living alone	1,743	+/-267	39.8%	+/-5.0
65 years and over	560	+/-163	12.8%	+/-3.6
Households with one or more people under 18 years	968	+/-171	22.1%	+/-4.3
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	1,047	+/-198	23.9%	+/-4.4
Average household size	2.11	+/-0.11	(X)	(X)
Average family size	2.86	+/-0.20	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	9,242	+/-26	9,242	(X)
Householder	4,380	+/-221	47.4%	+/-2.4
Spouse	1,217	+/-194	13.2%	+/-2.1
Child	2,140	+/-270	23.2%	+/-2.9
Other relatives	661	+/-288	7.2%	+/-3.1
Nonrelatives	844	+/-192	9.1%	+/-2.1
Unmarried partner	468	+/-148	5.1%	+/-1.6
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	3,876	+/-243	3,876	(X)
Never married	1,735	+/-277	44.8%	+/-5.6
Now married, except separated	1,308	+/-200	33.7%	+/-5.8
Separated	155	+/-104	4.0%	+/-2.6
Widowed	165	+/-104	4.3%	+/-2.6
Divorced	513	+/-162	13.2%	+/-4.1
Females 15 years and over	4,149	+/-260	4,149	(X)
Never married	1,645	+/-256	39.6%	+/-5.5

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Now married, except separated	1,327	+/-215	32.0%	+/-5.2
Separated	130	+/-56	3.1%	+/-1.4
Widowed	500	+/-189	12.1%	+/-4.3
Divorced	547	+/-169	13.2%	+/-4.1
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	196	+/-108	196	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	57	+/-51	29.1%	+/-24.0
Per 1,000 unmarried women	35	+/-30	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	79	+/-44	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	25	+/-42	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	87	+/-69	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	85	+/-64	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	222	+/-112	222	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	78	+/-60	35.1%	+/-22.3
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-13.6
1 or 2 years	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-13.6
3 or 4 years	35	+/-41	15.8%	+/-18.7
5 or more years	43	+/-46	19.4%	+/-17.9
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	78	+/-60	78	(X)
Who are female	65	+/-51	83.3%	+/-22.6
Who are married	54	+/-48	69.2%	+/-28.2
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	1,730	+/-219	1,730	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	100	+/-50	5.8%	+/-2.9
Kindergarten	137	+/-76	7.9%	+/-4.5
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	563	+/-143	32.5%	+/-7.4
High school (grades 9-12)	424	+/-196	24.5%	+/-10.5
College or graduate school	506	+/-143	29.2%	+/-7.6
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	6,866	+/-275	6,866	(X)
Less than 9th grade	337	+/-126	4.9%	+/-1.8
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	802	+/-187	11.7%	+/-2.8
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	2,250	+/-379	32.8%	+/-5.6
Some college, no degree	1,416	+/-351	20.6%	+/-4.9
Associate's degree	568	+/-179	8.3%	+/-2.5
Bachelor's degree	817	+/-212	11.9%	+/-3.0
Graduate or professional degree	676	+/-192	9.8%	+/-2.8
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	83.4%	+/-3.2
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	21.7%	+/-4.0
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	7,693	+/-206	7,693	(X)
Civilian veterans	906	+/-208	11.8%	+/-2.7
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	9,077	+/-111	9,077	(X)
Same house	7,644	+/-311	84.2%	+/-3.3

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Different house in the U.S.	1,420	+/-303	15.6%	+/-3.3
Same county	649	+/-243	7.1%	+/-2.7
Different county	771	+/-216	8.5%	+/-2.4
Same state	567	+/-180	6.2%	+/-2.0
Different state	204	+/-122	2.2%	+/-1.3
Abroad	13	+/-14	0.1%	+/-0.2
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	9,267	+/-18	9,267	(X)
Native	8,650	+/-216	93.3%	+/-2.3
Born in United States	8,600	+/-217	92.8%	+/-2.3
State of residence	7,582	+/-303	81.8%	+/-3.3
Different state	1,018	+/-235	11.0%	+/-2.5
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	50	+/-56	0.5%	+/-0.6
Foreign born	617	+/-216	6.7%	+/-2.3
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	617	+/-216	617	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	236	+/-99	38.2%	+/-16.9
Not a U.S. citizen	381	+/-201	61.8%	+/-16.9
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	667	+/-217	667	(X)
Native	50	+/-56	50	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-41.9
Entered before 2000	50	+/-56	100.0%	+/-41.9
Foreign born	617	+/-216	617	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	276	+/-189	44.7%	+/-19.5
Entered before 2000	341	+/-116	55.3%	+/-19.5
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	617	+/-216	617	(X)
Europe	156	+/-90	25.3%	+/-15.3
Asia	289	+/-148	46.8%	+/-20.3
Africa	6	+/-12	1.0%	+/-2.1
Oceania	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-5.1
Latin America	166	+/-175	26.9%	+/-23.8
Northern America	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-5.1
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	8,755	+/-158	8,755	(X)
English only	7,920	+/-288	90.5%	+/-2.8
Language other than English	835	+/-246	9.5%	+/-2.8
Speak English less than "very well"	404	+/-197	4.6%	+/-2.3
Spanish	301	+/-195	3.4%	+/-2.2
Speak English less than "very well"	148	+/-123	1.7%	+/-1.4
Other Indo-European languages	245	+/-108	2.8%	+/-1.2
Speak English less than "very well"	74	+/-61	0.8%	+/-0.7
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	289	+/-153	3.3%	+/-1.8
Speak English less than "very well"	182	+/-149	2.1%	+/-1.7
Other languages	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.4
ANCESTRY				
Total population	9,267	+/-18	9,267	(X)
American	428	+/-229	4.6%	+/-2.5
Arab	23	+/-26	0.2%	+/-0.3
Czech	18	+/-22	0.2%	+/-0.2
Danish	4	+/-8	0.0%	+/-0.1
Dutch	930	+/-345	10.0%	+/-3.7
English	1,024	+/-273	11.0%	+/-2.9
French (except Basque)	550	+/-193	5.9%	+/-2.1
French Canadian	321	+/-180	3.5%	+/-1.9
German	1,539	+/-309	16.6%	+/-3.3

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Greek	37	+/-56	0.4%	+/-0.6
Hungarian	8	+/-14	0.1%	+/-0.1
Irish	2,217	+/-382	23.9%	+/-4.1
Italian	1,775	+/-341	19.2%	+/-3.7
Lithuanian	8	+/-15	0.1%	+/-0.2
Norwegian	8	+/-14	0.1%	+/-0.2
Polish	442	+/-159	4.8%	+/-1.7
Portuguese	110	+/-117	1.2%	+/-1.3
Russian	116	+/-82	1.3%	+/-0.9
Scotch-Irish	104	+/-72	1.1%	+/-0.8
Scottish	113	+/-81	1.2%	+/-0.9
Slovak	11	+/-20	0.1%	+/-0.2
Subsaharan African	6	+/-12	0.1%	+/-0.1
Swedish	41	+/-42	0.4%	+/-0.5
Swiss	39	+/-44	0.4%	+/-0.5
Ukrainian	52	+/-46	0.6%	+/-0.5
Welsh	106	+/-70	1.1%	+/-0.8
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	5	+/-13	0.1%	+/-0.1

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 2007-2011 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, 2007-2011 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.