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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 County, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
<b>HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE</b>				
Total households	63,626	+/-622	63,626	(X)
Family households (families)	39,714	+/-846	62.4%	+/-1.1
With own children under 18 years	17,456	+/-651	27.4%	+/-1.0
Married-couple family	28,916	+/-754	45.4%	+/-1.1
With own children under 18 years	10,923	+/-540	17.2%	+/-0.8
Male householder, no wife present, family	2,470	+/-327	3.9%	+/-0.5
With own children under 18 years	1,252	+/-230	2.0%	+/-0.4
Female householder, no husband present, family	8,328	+/-492	13.1%	+/-0.8
With own children under 18 years	5,281	+/-435	8.3%	+/-0.7
Nonfamily households	23,912	+/-738	37.6%	+/-1.1
Householder living alone	18,492	+/-737	29.1%	+/-1.1
65 years and over	6,571	+/-396	10.3%	+/-0.6
Households with one or more people under 18 years	19,130	+/-704	30.1%	+/-1.1
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	15,120	+/-306	23.8%	+/-0.4
Average household size	2.41	+/-0.02	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.00	+/-0.05	(X)	(X)
<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>				
Population in households	153,355	+/-530	153,355	(X)
Householder	63,626	+/-622	41.5%	+/-0.4
Spouse	28,935	+/-826	18.9%	+/-0.5
Child	44,108	+/-955	28.8%	+/-0.6
Other relatives	6,428	+/-808	4.2%	+/-0.5
Nonrelatives	10,258	+/-798	6.7%	+/-0.5
Unmarried partner	5,509	+/-556	3.6%	+/-0.4
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>				
Males 15 years and over	64,223	+/-67	64,223	(X)
Never married	24,870	+/-588	38.7%	+/-0.9
Now married, except separated	30,497	+/-722	47.5%	+/-1.1
Separated	1,319	+/-259	2.1%	+/-0.4
Widowed	2,051	+/-261	3.2%	+/-0.4
Divorced	5,486	+/-507	8.5%	+/-0.8
Females 15 years and over	66,976	+/-71	66,976	(X)
Never married	20,319	+/-622	30.3%	+/-0.9

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Now married, except separated	30,653	+/-874	45.8%	+/-1.3
Separated	1,976	+/-283	3.0%	+/-0.4
Widowed	6,868	+/-381	10.3%	+/-0.6
Divorced	7,160	+/-524	10.7%	+/-0.8
<b>FERTILITY</b>				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	1,909	+/-337	1,909	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	860	+/-216	45.0%	+/-8.6
Per 1,000 unmarried women	39	+/-10	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	49	+/-9	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	15	+/-9	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	95	+/-18	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	20	+/-8	(X)	(X)
<b>GRANDPARENTS</b>				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	2,232	+/-353	2,232	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	881	+/-254	39.5%	+/-7.9
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	74	+/-53	3.3%	+/-2.3
1 or 2 years	163	+/-120	7.3%	+/-5.2
3 or 4 years	185	+/-64	8.3%	+/-2.9
5 or more years	459	+/-192	20.6%	+/-7.0
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	881	+/-254	881	(X)
Who are female	565	+/-156	64.1%	+/-6.7
Who are married	682	+/-243	77.4%	+/-10.5
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	42,023	+/-831	42,023	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	2,327	+/-304	5.5%	+/-0.7
Kindergarten	1,661	+/-305	4.0%	+/-0.7
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	15,634	+/-393	37.2%	+/-1.2
High school (grades 9-12)	8,365	+/-367	19.9%	+/-0.8
College or graduate school	14,036	+/-712	33.4%	+/-1.2
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>				
Population 25 years and over	106,702	+/-115	106,702	(X)
Less than 9th grade	3,608	+/-347	3.4%	+/-0.3
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	7,744	+/-560	7.3%	+/-0.5
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	33,600	+/-1,105	31.5%	+/-1.0
Some college, no degree	19,314	+/-798	18.1%	+/-0.7
Associate's degree	13,253	+/-674	12.4%	+/-0.6
Bachelor's degree	16,130	+/-804	15.1%	+/-0.8
Graduate or professional degree	13,053	+/-817	12.2%	+/-0.8
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	89.4%	+/-0.7
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	27.4%	+/-1.0
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>				
Civilian population 18 years and over	124,445	+/-115	124,445	(X)
Civilian veterans	12,820	+/-518	10.3%	+/-0.4
<b>DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION</b>				
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)
<b>RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO</b>				
Population 1 year and over	157,491	+/-247	157,491	(X)
Same house	136,528	+/-1,319	86.7%	+/-0.8

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Different house in the U.S.	20,519	+/-1,262	13.0%	+/-0.8
Same county	11,164	+/-1,189	7.1%	+/-0.8
Different county	9,355	+/-896	5.9%	+/-0.6
Same state	6,367	+/-737	4.0%	+/-0.5
Different state	2,988	+/-510	1.9%	+/-0.3
Abroad	444	+/-188	0.3%	+/-0.1
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>				
Total population	159,053	*****	159,053	(X)
Native	150,807	+/-704	94.8%	+/-0.4
Born in United States	149,539	+/-707	94.0%	+/-0.4
State of residence	122,551	+/-1,269	77.1%	+/-0.8
Different state	26,988	+/-1,167	17.0%	+/-0.7
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	1,268	+/-264	0.8%	+/-0.2
Foreign born	8,246	+/-704	5.2%	+/-0.4
<b>U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS</b>				
Foreign-born population	8,246	+/-704	8,246	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	4,433	+/-492	53.8%	+/-4.7
Not a U.S. citizen	3,813	+/-552	46.2%	+/-4.7
<b>YEAR OF ENTRY</b>				
Population born outside the United States	9,514	+/-707	9,514	(X)
Native	1,268	+/-264	1,268	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	220	+/-137	17.4%	+/-8.9
Entered before 2000	1,048	+/-205	82.6%	+/-8.9
Foreign born	8,246	+/-704	8,246	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	2,770	+/-539	33.6%	+/-5.2
Entered before 2000	5,476	+/-550	66.4%	+/-5.2
<b>WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN</b>				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	8,246	+/-704	8,246	(X)
Europe	2,305	+/-320	28.0%	+/-3.4
Asia	2,816	+/-267	34.1%	+/-3.2
Africa	429	+/-150	5.2%	+/-1.7
Oceania	59	+/-46	0.7%	+/-0.6
Latin America	2,250	+/-487	27.3%	+/-4.6
Northern America	387	+/-130	4.7%	+/-1.6
<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME</b>				
Population 5 years and over	150,223	+/-21	150,223	(X)
English only	139,797	+/-632	93.1%	+/-0.4
Language other than English	10,426	+/-629	6.9%	+/-0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	3,733	+/-399	2.5%	+/-0.3
Spanish	3,583	+/-442	2.4%	+/-0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	1,128	+/-284	0.8%	+/-0.2
Other Indo-European languages	4,334	+/-570	2.9%	+/-0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	1,307	+/-264	0.9%	+/-0.2
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	2,050	+/-310	1.4%	+/-0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	1,098	+/-261	0.7%	+/-0.2
Other languages	459	+/-213	0.3%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	200	+/-149	0.1%	+/-0.1
<b>ANCESTRY</b>				
Total population	159,053	*****	159,053	(X)
American	7,219	+/-1,103	4.5%	+/-0.7
Arab	919	+/-365	0.6%	+/-0.2
Czech	644	+/-230	0.4%	+/-0.1
Danish	988	+/-215	0.6%	+/-0.1
Dutch	7,469	+/-760	4.7%	+/-0.5
English	17,309	+/-900	10.9%	+/-0.6
French (except Basque)	15,538	+/-1,017	9.8%	+/-0.6
French Canadian	4,005	+/-512	2.5%	+/-0.3
German	30,777	+/-1,335	19.4%	+/-0.8

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Greek	950	+/-278	0.6%	+/-0.2
Hungarian	624	+/-204	0.4%	+/-0.1
Irish	42,932	+/-1,710	27.0%	+/-1.1
Italian	25,386	+/-1,601	16.0%	+/-1.0
Lithuanian	884	+/-328	0.6%	+/-0.2
Norwegian	666	+/-191	0.4%	+/-0.1
Polish	10,831	+/-777	6.8%	+/-0.5
Portuguese	399	+/-191	0.3%	+/-0.1
Russian	2,097	+/-379	1.3%	+/-0.2
Scotch-Irish	2,180	+/-372	1.4%	+/-0.2
Scottish	3,519	+/-558	2.2%	+/-0.4
Slovak	151	+/-87	0.1%	+/-0.1
Subsaharan African	777	+/-253	0.5%	+/-0.2
Swedish	1,750	+/-435	1.1%	+/-0.3
Swiss	503	+/-192	0.3%	+/-0.1
Ukrainian	1,941	+/-427	1.2%	+/-0.3
Welsh	1,287	+/-297	0.8%	+/-0.2
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	1,386	+/-426	0.9%	+/-0.3

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.
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.