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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

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	Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY Metro Area			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	391,735	+/-672	391,735	(X)
Occupied housing units	345,936	+/-1,593	88.3%	+/-0.4
Vacant housing units	45,799	+/-1,422	11.7%	+/-0.4
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.7	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	4.9	+/-0.5	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	391,735	+/-672	391,735	(X)
1-unit, detached	224,036	+/-1,656	57.2%	+/-0.4
1-unit, attached	14,685	+/-802	3.7%	+/-0.2
2 units	50,952	+/-1,317	13.0%	+/-0.3
3 or 4 units	30,342	+/-1,271	7.7%	+/-0.3
5 to 9 units	20,096	+/-1,026	5.1%	+/-0.3
10 to 19 units	14,138	+/-804	3.6%	+/-0.2
20 or more units	21,218	+/-947	5.4%	+/-0.2
Mobile home	16,218	+/-769	4.1%	+/-0.2
Boat, RV, van, etc.	50	+/-40	0.0%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	391,735	+/-672	391,735	(X)
Built 2005 or later	11,376	+/-735	2.9%	+/-0.2
Built 2000 to 2004	20,646	+/-934	5.3%	+/-0.2
Built 1990 to 1999	37,165	+/-1,173	9.5%	+/-0.3
Built 1980 to 1989	42,638	+/-934	10.9%	+/-0.2
Built 1970 to 1979	49,062	+/-1,248	12.5%	+/-0.3
Built 1960 to 1969	37,516	+/-1,311	9.6%	+/-0.3
Built 1950 to 1959	43,786	+/-1,278	11.2%	+/-0.3
Built 1940 to 1949	24,762	+/-1,012	6.3%	+/-0.3
Built 1939 or earlier	124,784	+/-1,730	31.9%	+/-0.4
ROOMS				
Total housing units	391,735	+/-672	391,735	(X)
1 room	6,449	+/-629	1.6%	+/-0.2
2 rooms	8,763	+/-651	2.2%	+/-0.2
3 rooms	34,264	+/-1,322	8.7%	+/-0.3
4 rooms	60,534	+/-1,677	15.5%	+/-0.4
5 rooms	68,429	+/-1,650	17.5%	+/-0.4

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6 rooms	77,069	+/-1,657	19.7%	+/-0.4
7 rooms	51,819	+/-1,287	13.2%	+/-0.3
8 rooms	40,009	+/-1,115	10.2%	+/-0.3
9 rooms or more	44,399	+/-1,033	11.3%	+/-0.3
Median rooms	5.7	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	391,735	+/-672	391,735	(X)
No bedroom	7,630	+/-672	1.9%	+/-0.2
1 bedroom	46,629	+/-1,427	11.9%	+/-0.4
2 bedrooms	103,592	+/-1,980	26.4%	+/-0.5
3 bedrooms	148,742	+/-2,277	38.0%	+/-0.6
4 bedrooms	69,132	+/-1,606	17.6%	+/-0.4
5 or more bedrooms	16,010	+/-773	4.1%	+/-0.2
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	345,936	+/-1,593	345,936	(X)
Owner-occupied	229,295	+/-1,794	66.3%	+/-0.5
Renter-occupied	116,641	+/-1,793	33.7%	+/-0.5
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.59	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.05	+/-0.03	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	345,936	+/-1,593	345,936	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	123,954	+/-2,241	35.8%	+/-0.6
Moved in 2000 to 2004	66,647	+/-1,711	19.3%	+/-0.5
Moved in 1990 to 1999	66,382	+/-1,535	19.2%	+/-0.4
Moved in 1980 to 1989	38,147	+/-1,303	11.0%	+/-0.4
Moved in 1970 to 1979	24,471	+/-787	7.1%	+/-0.2
Moved in 1969 or earlier	26,335	+/-727	7.6%	+/-0.2
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	345,936	+/-1,593	345,936	(X)
No vehicles available	33,913	+/-1,101	9.8%	+/-0.3
1 vehicle available	122,879	+/-1,914	35.5%	+/-0.5
2 vehicles available	134,801	+/-1,864	39.0%	+/-0.5
3 or more vehicles available	54,343	+/-1,395	15.7%	+/-0.4
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	345,936	+/-1,593	345,936	(X)
Utility gas	206,459	+/-1,692	59.7%	+/-0.4
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	16,967	+/-749	4.9%	+/-0.2
Electricity	42,859	+/-1,350	12.4%	+/-0.4
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	65,394	+/-1,432	18.9%	+/-0.4
Coal or coke	513	+/-167	0.1%	+/-0.1
Wood	10,909	+/-535	3.2%	+/-0.2
Solar energy	140	+/-80	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	2,059	+/-292	0.6%	+/-0.1
No fuel used	636	+/-134	0.2%	+/-0.1
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	345,936	+/-1,593	345,936	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	1,054	+/-203	0.3%	+/-0.1
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	1,794	+/-245	0.5%	+/-0.1
No telephone service available	8,278	+/-593	2.4%	+/-0.2
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	345,936	+/-1,593	345,936	(X)
1.00 or less	341,929	+/-1,603	98.8%	+/-0.1
1.01 to 1.50	2,616	+/-375	0.8%	+/-0.1
1.51 or more	1,391	+/-255	0.4%	+/-0.1
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	229,295	+/-1,794	229,295	(X)
Less than \$50,000	11,666	+/-705	5.1%	+/-0.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	20,872	+/-888	9.1%	+/-0.4
\$100,000 to \$149,999	35,722	+/-1,139	15.6%	+/-0.5

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\$150,000 to \$199,999	50,938	+/-1,189	22.2%	+/-0.6
\$200,000 to \$299,999	63,032	+/-1,264	27.5%	+/-0.5
\$300,000 to \$499,999	36,890	+/-1,110	16.1%	+/-0.5
\$500,000 to \$999,999	8,680	+/-525	3.8%	+/-0.2
\$1,000,000 or more	1,495	+/-277	0.7%	+/-0.1
Median (dollars)	194,900	+/-1,380	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	229,295	+/-1,794	229,295	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	153,024	+/-1,627	66.7%	+/-0.5
Housing units without a mortgage	76,271	+/-1,280	33.3%	+/-0.5
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	153,024	+/-1,627	153,024	(X)
Less than \$300	146	+/-65	0.1%	+/-0.1
\$300 to \$499	1,372	+/-217	0.9%	+/-0.1
\$500 to \$699	4,074	+/-378	2.7%	+/-0.2
\$700 to \$999	13,901	+/-693	9.1%	+/-0.4
\$1,000 to \$1,499	44,906	+/-1,155	29.3%	+/-0.7
\$1,500 to \$1,999	42,199	+/-1,250	27.6%	+/-0.8
\$2,000 or more	46,426	+/-1,204	30.3%	+/-0.7
Median (dollars)	1,631	+/-11	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	76,271	+/-1,280	76,271	(X)
Less than \$100	217	+/-84	0.3%	+/-0.1
\$100 to \$199	1,681	+/-269	2.2%	+/-0.4
\$200 to \$299	4,962	+/-390	6.5%	+/-0.5
\$300 to \$399	9,486	+/-567	12.4%	+/-0.7
\$400 or more	59,925	+/-1,160	78.6%	+/-0.8
Median (dollars)	580	+/-6	(X)	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAPI)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	152,606	+/-1,636	152,606	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	57,430	+/-1,192	37.6%	+/-0.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	28,272	+/-950	18.5%	+/-0.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	20,053	+/-810	13.1%	+/-0.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	13,150	+/-688	8.6%	+/-0.4
35.0 percent or more	33,701	+/-1,153	22.1%	+/-0.7
Not computed	418	+/-176	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	75,841	+/-1,286	75,841	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	25,348	+/-727	33.4%	+/-1.0
10.0 to 14.9 percent	16,604	+/-815	21.9%	+/-1.0
15.0 to 19.9 percent	10,600	+/-615	14.0%	+/-0.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	6,310	+/-449	8.3%	+/-0.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	4,034	+/-432	5.3%	+/-0.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	3,081	+/-338	4.1%	+/-0.4
35.0 percent or more	9,864	+/-599	13.0%	+/-0.7
Not computed	430	+/-138	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	112,423	+/-1,797	112,423	(X)
Less than \$200	1,775	+/-275	1.6%	+/-0.2
\$200 to \$299	4,348	+/-450	3.9%	+/-0.4
\$300 to \$499	7,405	+/-562	6.6%	+/-0.5
\$500 to \$749	26,321	+/-1,104	23.4%	+/-0.9
\$750 to \$999	37,444	+/-1,362	33.3%	+/-1.1
\$1,000 to \$1,499	28,365	+/-1,128	25.2%	+/-1.0
\$1,500 or more	6,765	+/-542	6.0%	+/-0.5
Median (dollars)	859	+/-6	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	4,218	+/-420	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				

Subject	Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY Metro Area			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	110,520	+/-1,812	110,520	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	14,991	+/-896	13.6%	+/-0.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	16,128	+/-875	14.6%	+/-0.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	14,214	+/-801	12.9%	+/-0.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	12,452	+/-711	11.3%	+/-0.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	8,883	+/-673	8.0%	+/-0.6
35.0 percent or more	43,852	+/-1,390	39.7%	+/-1.0
Not computed	6,121	+/-552	(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 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011 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.

Median calculations for base table sourcing VAL, MHC, SMOC, and TAX should exclude zero values.

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.

