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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	Bethlehem town, Albany County, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	13,650	+/-356	13,650	(X)
Occupied housing units	13,115	+/-330	96.1%	+/-1.4
Vacant housing units	535	+/-194	3.9%	+/-1.4
Homeowner vacancy rate	0.8	+/-0.8	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	2.7	+/-2.5	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	13,650	+/-356	13,650	(X)
1-unit, detached	9,628	+/-361	70.5%	+/-2.0
1-unit, attached	875	+/-138	6.4%	+/-1.0
2 units	844	+/-193	6.2%	+/-1.4
3 or 4 units	753	+/-191	5.5%	+/-1.4
5 to 9 units	663	+/-165	4.9%	+/-1.2
10 to 19 units	323	+/-110	2.4%	+/-0.8
20 or more units	450	+/-120	3.3%	+/-0.9
Mobile home	114	+/-62	0.8%	+/-0.5
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	13,650	+/-356	13,650	(X)
Built 2005 or later	388	+/-110	2.8%	+/-0.8
Built 2000 to 2004	1,031	+/-183	7.6%	+/-1.3
Built 1990 to 1999	2,159	+/-264	15.8%	+/-1.9
Built 1980 to 1989	1,770	+/-223	13.0%	+/-1.6
Built 1970 to 1979	1,867	+/-258	13.7%	+/-1.9
Built 1960 to 1969	1,333	+/-233	9.8%	+/-1.7
Built 1950 to 1959	1,773	+/-253	13.0%	+/-1.8
Built 1940 to 1949	985	+/-214	7.2%	+/-1.6
Built 1939 or earlier	2,344	+/-304	17.2%	+/-2.2
ROOMS				
Total housing units	13,650	+/-356	13,650	(X)
1 room	102	+/-65	0.7%	+/-0.5
2 rooms	141	+/-70	1.0%	+/-0.5
3 rooms	655	+/-184	4.8%	+/-1.3
4 rooms	1,351	+/-212	9.9%	+/-1.5
5 rooms	1,663	+/-260	12.2%	+/-1.9

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6 rooms	2,447	+/-323	17.9%	+/-2.3
7 rooms	2,354	+/-331	17.2%	+/-2.4
8 rooms	2,073	+/-252	15.2%	+/-1.8
9 rooms or more	2,864	+/-263	21.0%	+/-1.9
Median rooms	6.7	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	13,650	+/-356	13,650	(X)
No bedroom	117	+/-68	0.9%	+/-0.5
1 bedroom	889	+/-183	6.5%	+/-1.3
2 bedrooms	3,069	+/-293	22.5%	+/-2.1
3 bedrooms	4,861	+/-382	35.6%	+/-2.7
4 bedrooms	3,946	+/-339	28.9%	+/-2.3
5 or more bedrooms	768	+/-174	5.6%	+/-1.3
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	13,115	+/-330	13,115	(X)
Owner-occupied	10,022	+/-347	76.4%	+/-1.9
Renter-occupied	3,093	+/-268	23.6%	+/-1.9
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.71	+/-0.07	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	1.87	+/-0.12	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	13,115	+/-330	13,115	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	3,734	+/-335	28.5%	+/-2.4
Moved in 2000 to 2004	2,728	+/-301	20.8%	+/-2.3
Moved in 1990 to 1999	3,130	+/-337	23.9%	+/-2.5
Moved in 1980 to 1989	1,726	+/-232	13.2%	+/-1.7
Moved in 1970 to 1979	893	+/-180	6.8%	+/-1.4
Moved in 1969 or earlier	904	+/-162	6.9%	+/-1.2
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	13,115	+/-330	13,115	(X)
No vehicles available	527	+/-127	4.0%	+/-1.0
1 vehicle available	4,035	+/-374	30.8%	+/-2.5
2 vehicles available	6,309	+/-381	48.1%	+/-2.8
3 or more vehicles available	2,244	+/-247	17.1%	+/-2.0
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	13,115	+/-330	13,115	(X)
Utility gas	9,431	+/-394	71.9%	+/-2.8
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	168	+/-86	1.3%	+/-0.7
Electricity	1,074	+/-211	8.2%	+/-1.6
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	2,267	+/-314	17.3%	+/-2.3
Coal or coke	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
Wood	149	+/-72	1.1%	+/-0.5
Solar energy	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
Other fuel	26	+/-31	0.2%	+/-0.2
No fuel used	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	13,115	+/-330	13,115	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	21	+/-34	0.2%	+/-0.3
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	122	+/-84	0.9%	+/-0.6
No telephone service available	118	+/-67	0.9%	+/-0.5
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	13,115	+/-330	13,115	(X)
1.00 or less	13,049	+/-336	99.5%	+/-0.3
1.01 to 1.50	66	+/-46	0.5%	+/-0.3
1.51 or more	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	10,022	+/-347	10,022	(X)
Less than \$50,000	162	+/-73	1.6%	+/-0.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	249	+/-125	2.5%	+/-1.2
\$100,000 to \$149,999	538	+/-143	5.4%	+/-1.4

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\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,515	+/-243	15.1%	+/-2.3
\$200,000 to \$299,999	3,557	+/-311	35.5%	+/-3.0
\$300,000 to \$499,999	3,414	+/-309	34.1%	+/-2.7
\$500,000 to \$999,999	520	+/-132	5.2%	+/-1.4
\$1,000,000 or more	67	+/-44	0.7%	+/-0.4
Median (dollars)	270,900	+/-7,628	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	10,022	+/-347	10,022	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	6,945	+/-349	69.3%	+/-2.7
Housing units without a mortgage	3,077	+/-297	30.7%	+/-2.7
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	6,945	+/-349	6,945	(X)
Less than \$300	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.5
\$300 to \$499	26	+/-28	0.4%	+/-0.4
\$500 to \$699	86	+/-50	1.2%	+/-0.7
\$700 to \$999	390	+/-148	5.6%	+/-2.1
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,318	+/-234	19.0%	+/-3.2
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,472	+/-265	21.2%	+/-3.8
\$2,000 or more	3,653	+/-325	52.6%	+/-4.0
Median (dollars)	2,054	+/-77	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	3,077	+/-297	3,077	(X)
Less than \$100	28	+/-22	0.9%	+/-0.7
\$100 to \$199	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-1.0
\$200 to \$299	112	+/-54	3.6%	+/-1.8
\$300 to \$399	223	+/-103	7.2%	+/-3.3
\$400 or more	2,714	+/-287	88.2%	+/-3.6
Median (dollars)	733	+/-41	(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)	6,945	+/-349	6,945	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	3,025	+/-253	43.6%	+/-3.2
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,075	+/-211	15.5%	+/-2.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	887	+/-187	12.8%	+/-2.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	716	+/-159	10.3%	+/-2.2
35.0 percent or more	1,242	+/-238	17.9%	+/-3.3
Not computed	0	+/-89	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	3,077	+/-297	3,077	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	1,059	+/-165	34.4%	+/-4.8
10.0 to 14.9 percent	876	+/-182	28.5%	+/-5.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	343	+/-114	11.1%	+/-3.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	137	+/-73	4.5%	+/-2.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	150	+/-71	4.9%	+/-2.3
30.0 to 34.9 percent	167	+/-89	5.4%	+/-2.7
35.0 percent or more	345	+/-109	11.2%	+/-3.2
Not computed	0	+/-89	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	2,933	+/-251	2,933	(X)
Less than \$200	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-1.1
\$200 to \$299	19	+/-23	0.6%	+/-0.8
\$300 to \$499	97	+/-72	3.3%	+/-2.4
\$500 to \$749	258	+/-99	8.8%	+/-3.3
\$750 to \$999	796	+/-166	27.1%	+/-5.1
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,378	+/-222	47.0%	+/-6.7
\$1,500 or more	385	+/-140	13.1%	+/-4.5
Median (dollars)	1,074	+/-40	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	160	+/-90	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				

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Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	2,805	+/-246	2,805	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	521	+/-142	18.6%	+/-5.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	466	+/-142	16.6%	+/-4.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	322	+/-122	11.5%	+/-4.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	432	+/-141	15.4%	+/-4.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	257	+/-122	9.2%	+/-4.1
35.0 percent or more	807	+/-160	28.8%	+/-5.3
Not computed	288	+/-138	(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.

