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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	Colonie town, Albany County, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	33,310	+/-590	33,310	(X)
Occupied housing units	31,883	+/-584	95.7%	+/-0.9
Vacant housing units	1,427	+/-309	4.3%	+/-0.9
Homeowner vacancy rate	0.7	+/-0.5	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	2.4	+/-1.6	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	33,310	+/-590	33,310	(X)
1-unit, detached	23,759	+/-559	71.3%	+/-1.3
1-unit, attached	931	+/-242	2.8%	+/-0.7
2 units	2,077	+/-339	6.2%	+/-1.0
3 or 4 units	698	+/-191	2.1%	+/-0.6
5 to 9 units	1,368	+/-192	4.1%	+/-0.6
10 to 19 units	1,762	+/-276	5.3%	+/-0.8
20 or more units	2,242	+/-256	6.7%	+/-0.8
Mobile home	473	+/-152	1.4%	+/-0.5
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	33,310	+/-590	33,310	(X)
Built 2005 or later	1,013	+/-216	3.0%	+/-0.6
Built 2000 to 2004	1,726	+/-259	5.2%	+/-0.8
Built 1990 to 1999	2,879	+/-341	8.6%	+/-1.0
Built 1980 to 1989	3,734	+/-408	11.2%	+/-1.2
Built 1970 to 1979	5,412	+/-437	16.2%	+/-1.3
Built 1960 to 1969	5,302	+/-518	15.9%	+/-1.5
Built 1950 to 1959	6,880	+/-478	20.7%	+/-1.5
Built 1940 to 1949	2,640	+/-332	7.9%	+/-1.0
Built 1939 or earlier	3,724	+/-361	11.2%	+/-1.1
ROOMS				
Total housing units	33,310	+/-590	33,310	(X)
1 room	283	+/-150	0.8%	+/-0.4
2 rooms	363	+/-122	1.1%	+/-0.4
3 rooms	2,777	+/-398	8.3%	+/-1.2
4 rooms	4,722	+/-472	14.2%	+/-1.4
5 rooms	5,696	+/-509	17.1%	+/-1.5

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6 rooms	6,069	+/-447	18.2%	+/-1.4
7 rooms	4,896	+/-358	14.7%	+/-1.0
8 rooms	3,990	+/-334	12.0%	+/-1.0
9 rooms or more	4,514	+/-350	13.6%	+/-1.0
Median rooms	6.0	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	33,310	+/-590	33,310	(X)
No bedroom	332	+/-152	1.0%	+/-0.5
1 bedroom	3,502	+/-409	10.5%	+/-1.2
2 bedrooms	7,840	+/-525	23.5%	+/-1.5
3 bedrooms	13,248	+/-615	39.8%	+/-1.9
4 bedrooms	7,118	+/-483	21.4%	+/-1.4
5 or more bedrooms	1,270	+/-200	3.8%	+/-0.6
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	31,883	+/-584	31,883	(X)
Owner-occupied	23,182	+/-579	72.7%	+/-1.4
Renter-occupied	8,701	+/-499	27.3%	+/-1.4
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.58	+/-0.05	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	1.98	+/-0.11	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	31,883	+/-584	31,883	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	10,179	+/-587	31.9%	+/-1.7
Moved in 2000 to 2004	5,826	+/-515	18.3%	+/-1.5
Moved in 1990 to 1999	6,365	+/-539	20.0%	+/-1.7
Moved in 1980 to 1989	4,003	+/-360	12.6%	+/-1.1
Moved in 1970 to 1979	2,616	+/-272	8.2%	+/-0.9
Moved in 1969 or earlier	2,894	+/-274	9.1%	+/-0.8
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	31,883	+/-584	31,883	(X)
No vehicles available	1,685	+/-219	5.3%	+/-0.7
1 vehicle available	11,416	+/-624	35.8%	+/-1.7
2 vehicles available	13,593	+/-632	42.6%	+/-1.9
3 or more vehicles available	5,189	+/-435	16.3%	+/-1.4
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	31,883	+/-584	31,883	(X)
Utility gas	24,186	+/-728	75.9%	+/-1.6
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	602	+/-189	1.9%	+/-0.6
Electricity	4,219	+/-355	13.2%	+/-1.1
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	2,440	+/-359	7.7%	+/-1.1
Coal or coke	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.1
Wood	258	+/-133	0.8%	+/-0.4
Solar energy	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	130	+/-88	0.4%	+/-0.3
No fuel used	48	+/-39	0.2%	+/-0.1
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	31,883	+/-584	31,883	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	49	+/-56	0.2%	+/-0.2
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	119	+/-82	0.4%	+/-0.3
No telephone service available	542	+/-189	1.7%	+/-0.6
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	31,883	+/-584	31,883	(X)
1.00 or less	31,666	+/-606	99.3%	+/-0.3
1.01 to 1.50	160	+/-92	0.5%	+/-0.3
1.51 or more	57	+/-48	0.2%	+/-0.1
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	23,182	+/-579	23,182	(X)
Less than \$50,000	546	+/-151	2.4%	+/-0.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	999	+/-231	4.3%	+/-1.0
\$100,000 to \$149,999	2,846	+/-275	12.3%	+/-1.1

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\$150,000 to \$199,999	5,453	+/-416	23.5%	+/-1.7
\$200,000 to \$299,999	7,763	+/-435	33.5%	+/-1.8
\$300,000 to \$499,999	4,233	+/-343	18.3%	+/-1.4
\$500,000 to \$999,999	1,213	+/-227	5.2%	+/-1.0
\$1,000,000 or more	129	+/-76	0.6%	+/-0.3
Median (dollars)	217,700	+/-3,803	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	23,182	+/-579	23,182	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	15,345	+/-588	66.2%	+/-1.9
Housing units without a mortgage	7,837	+/-478	33.8%	+/-1.9
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	15,345	+/-588	15,345	(X)
Less than \$300	25	+/-31	0.2%	+/-0.2
\$300 to \$499	149	+/-71	1.0%	+/-0.5
\$500 to \$699	326	+/-112	2.1%	+/-0.7
\$700 to \$999	1,206	+/-232	7.9%	+/-1.5
\$1,000 to \$1,499	4,610	+/-373	30.0%	+/-2.3
\$1,500 to \$1,999	4,351	+/-395	28.4%	+/-2.3
\$2,000 or more	4,678	+/-380	30.5%	+/-2.2
Median (dollars)	1,657	+/-42	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	7,837	+/-478	7,837	(X)
Less than \$100	30	+/-28	0.4%	+/-0.4
\$100 to \$199	132	+/-73	1.7%	+/-0.9
\$200 to \$299	544	+/-129	6.9%	+/-1.7
\$300 to \$399	1,172	+/-197	15.0%	+/-2.4
\$400 or more	5,959	+/-459	76.0%	+/-2.9
Median (dollars)	542	+/-15	(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)	15,335	+/-588	15,335	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	6,638	+/-406	43.3%	+/-2.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	3,151	+/-329	20.5%	+/-2.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,756	+/-269	11.5%	+/-1.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,184	+/-221	7.7%	+/-1.3
35.0 percent or more	2,606	+/-353	17.0%	+/-2.1
Not computed	10	+/-15	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	7,813	+/-478	7,813	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	3,330	+/-322	42.6%	+/-3.6
10.0 to 14.9 percent	1,617	+/-262	20.7%	+/-3.2
15.0 to 19.9 percent	1,000	+/-228	12.8%	+/-2.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	474	+/-123	6.1%	+/-1.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	433	+/-140	5.5%	+/-1.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	183	+/-82	2.3%	+/-1.0
35.0 percent or more	776	+/-202	9.9%	+/-2.5
Not computed	24	+/-37	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	8,453	+/-485	8,453	(X)
Less than \$200	32	+/-31	0.4%	+/-0.4
\$200 to \$299	118	+/-50	1.4%	+/-0.6
\$300 to \$499	186	+/-86	2.2%	+/-1.0
\$500 to \$749	1,521	+/-237	18.0%	+/-2.6
\$750 to \$999	3,056	+/-339	36.2%	+/-3.7
\$1,000 to \$1,499	2,767	+/-346	32.7%	+/-3.4
\$1,500 or more	773	+/-184	9.1%	+/-2.1
Median (dollars)	947	+/-19	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	248	+/-110	(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)	8,309	+/-491	8,309	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	1,427	+/-270	17.2%	+/-3.2
15.0 to 19.9 percent	1,418	+/-295	17.1%	+/-3.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,257	+/-258	15.1%	+/-2.8
25.0 to 29.9 percent	617	+/-160	7.4%	+/-1.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	794	+/-220	9.6%	+/-2.7
35.0 percent or more	2,796	+/-391	33.7%	+/-4.1
Not computed	392	+/-136	(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.

