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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	Schenectady city, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>				
Total housing units	31,748	+/-554	31,748	(X)
Occupied housing units	24,455	+/-557	77.0%	+/-1.4
Vacant housing units	7,293	+/-498	23.0%	+/-1.4
Homeowner vacancy rate	2.9	+/-1.1	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	5.5	+/-1.6	(X)	(X)
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE</b>				
Total housing units	31,748	+/-554	31,748	(X)
1-unit, detached	11,662	+/-480	36.7%	+/-1.4
1-unit, attached	666	+/-169	2.1%	+/-0.5
2 units	10,435	+/-606	32.9%	+/-1.8
3 or 4 units	3,377	+/-363	10.6%	+/-1.1
5 to 9 units	1,892	+/-302	6.0%	+/-0.9
10 to 19 units	1,301	+/-253	4.1%	+/-0.8
20 or more units	2,354	+/-277	7.4%	+/-0.9
Mobile home	61	+/-52	0.2%	+/-0.2
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.1
<b>YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT</b>				
Total housing units	31,748	+/-554	31,748	(X)
Built 2005 or later	167	+/-98	0.5%	+/-0.3
Built 2000 to 2004	254	+/-100	0.8%	+/-0.3
Built 1990 to 1999	968	+/-186	3.0%	+/-0.6
Built 1980 to 1989	1,035	+/-202	3.3%	+/-0.6
Built 1970 to 1979	2,472	+/-335	7.8%	+/-1.0
Built 1960 to 1969	2,006	+/-315	6.3%	+/-1.0
Built 1950 to 1959	2,956	+/-313	9.3%	+/-1.0
Built 1940 to 1949	2,603	+/-299	8.2%	+/-0.9
Built 1939 or earlier	19,287	+/-549	60.8%	+/-1.6
<b>ROOMS</b>				
Total housing units	31,748	+/-554	31,748	(X)
1 room	683	+/-181	2.2%	+/-0.6
2 rooms	1,089	+/-254	3.4%	+/-0.8
3 rooms	3,735	+/-408	11.8%	+/-1.3
4 rooms	5,044	+/-496	15.9%	+/-1.5
5 rooms	6,409	+/-465	20.2%	+/-1.4

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6 rooms	8,553	+/-483	26.9%	+/-1.5
7 rooms	3,067	+/-328	9.7%	+/-1.0
8 rooms	1,502	+/-225	4.7%	+/-0.7
9 rooms or more	1,666	+/-239	5.2%	+/-0.8
Median rooms	5.3	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
<b>BEDROOMS</b>				
Total housing units	31,748	+/-554	31,748	(X)
No bedroom	871	+/-183	2.7%	+/-0.6
1 bedroom	5,037	+/-494	15.9%	+/-1.5
2 bedrooms	8,949	+/-557	28.2%	+/-1.7
3 bedrooms	12,792	+/-656	40.3%	+/-1.9
4 bedrooms	3,104	+/-278	9.8%	+/-0.9
5 or more bedrooms	995	+/-204	3.1%	+/-0.6
<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>				
Occupied housing units	24,455	+/-557	24,455	(X)
Owner-occupied	12,194	+/-498	49.9%	+/-1.9
Renter-occupied	12,261	+/-571	50.1%	+/-1.9
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.65	+/-0.08	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.41	+/-0.10	(X)	(X)
<b>YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT</b>				
Occupied housing units	24,455	+/-557	24,455	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	10,557	+/-578	43.2%	+/-1.8
Moved in 2000 to 2004	4,758	+/-382	19.5%	+/-1.6
Moved in 1990 to 1999	3,548	+/-335	14.5%	+/-1.3
Moved in 1980 to 1989	1,832	+/-233	7.5%	+/-0.9
Moved in 1970 to 1979	1,593	+/-201	6.5%	+/-0.8
Moved in 1969 or earlier	2,167	+/-235	8.9%	+/-1.0
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>				
Occupied housing units	24,455	+/-557	24,455	(X)
No vehicles available	4,621	+/-400	18.9%	+/-1.5
1 vehicle available	10,927	+/-550	44.7%	+/-1.9
2 vehicles available	6,963	+/-427	28.5%	+/-1.8
3 or more vehicles available	1,944	+/-267	7.9%	+/-1.1
<b>HOUSE HEATING FUEL</b>				
Occupied housing units	24,455	+/-557	24,455	(X)
Utility gas	19,184	+/-596	78.4%	+/-1.6
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	295	+/-102	1.2%	+/-0.4
Electricity	3,105	+/-329	12.7%	+/-1.3
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	1,716	+/-308	7.0%	+/-1.2
Coal or coke	26	+/-40	0.1%	+/-0.2
Wood	38	+/-31	0.2%	+/-0.1
Solar energy	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	81	+/-54	0.3%	+/-0.2
No fuel used	10	+/-12	0.0%	+/-0.1
<b>SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS</b>				
Occupied housing units	24,455	+/-557	24,455	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	64	+/-48	0.3%	+/-0.2
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	130	+/-57	0.5%	+/-0.2
No telephone service available	960	+/-188	3.9%	+/-0.8
<b>OCCUPANTS PER ROOM</b>				
Occupied housing units	24,455	+/-557	24,455	(X)
1.00 or less	23,966	+/-569	98.0%	+/-0.6
1.01 to 1.50	325	+/-108	1.3%	+/-0.4
1.51 or more	164	+/-79	0.7%	+/-0.3
<b>VALUE</b>				
Owner-occupied units	12,194	+/-498	12,194	(X)
Less than \$50,000	558	+/-154	4.6%	+/-1.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4,248	+/-389	34.8%	+/-2.6
\$100,000 to \$149,999	4,152	+/-419	34.0%	+/-3.1

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2,009	+/-289	16.5%	+/-2.3
\$200,000 to \$299,999	688	+/-144	5.6%	+/-1.2
\$300,000 to \$499,999	344	+/-95	2.8%	+/-0.8
\$500,000 to \$999,999	57	+/-43	0.5%	+/-0.3
\$1,000,000 or more	138	+/-87	1.1%	+/-0.7
Median (dollars)	114,300	+/-3,514	(X)	(X)
<b>MORTGAGE STATUS</b>				
Owner-occupied units	12,194	+/-498	12,194	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	7,930	+/-398	65.0%	+/-2.1
Housing units without a mortgage	4,264	+/-315	35.0%	+/-2.1
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)</b>				
Housing units with a mortgage	7,930	+/-398	7,930	(X)
Less than \$300	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.4
\$300 to \$499	56	+/-41	0.7%	+/-0.5
\$500 to \$699	235	+/-105	3.0%	+/-1.3
\$700 to \$999	1,151	+/-223	14.5%	+/-2.7
\$1,000 to \$1,499	3,270	+/-368	41.2%	+/-4.3
\$1,500 to \$1,999	2,173	+/-277	27.4%	+/-3.2
\$2,000 or more	1,045	+/-212	13.2%	+/-2.5
Median (dollars)	1,362	+/-45	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	4,264	+/-315	4,264	(X)
Less than \$100	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.8
\$100 to \$199	103	+/-67	2.4%	+/-1.6
\$200 to \$299	164	+/-66	3.8%	+/-1.4
\$300 to \$399	546	+/-156	12.8%	+/-3.5
\$400 or more	3,451	+/-299	80.9%	+/-3.9
Median (dollars)	569	+/-22	(X)	(X)
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAPI)</b>				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	7,906	+/-399	7,906	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	2,320	+/-274	29.3%	+/-3.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,197	+/-200	15.1%	+/-2.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	941	+/-193	11.9%	+/-2.2
30.0 to 34.9 percent	644	+/-171	8.1%	+/-2.2
35.0 percent or more	2,804	+/-301	35.5%	+/-3.4
Not computed	24	+/-15	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	4,215	+/-314	4,215	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	980	+/-170	23.3%	+/-3.6
10.0 to 14.9 percent	907	+/-165	21.5%	+/-3.7
15.0 to 19.9 percent	673	+/-156	16.0%	+/-3.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	427	+/-100	10.1%	+/-2.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	282	+/-116	6.7%	+/-2.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	179	+/-75	4.2%	+/-1.7
35.0 percent or more	767	+/-160	18.2%	+/-3.5
Not computed	49	+/-48	(X)	(X)
<b>GROSS RENT</b>				
Occupied units paying rent	11,899	+/-574	11,899	(X)
Less than \$200	374	+/-141	3.1%	+/-1.2
\$200 to \$299	545	+/-145	4.6%	+/-1.2
\$300 to \$499	888	+/-203	7.5%	+/-1.7
\$500 to \$749	3,297	+/-385	27.7%	+/-2.7
\$750 to \$999	4,176	+/-397	35.1%	+/-3.1
\$1,000 to \$1,499	2,183	+/-369	18.3%	+/-2.8
\$1,500 or more	436	+/-117	3.7%	+/-1.0
Median (dollars)	797	+/-20	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	362	+/-150	(X)	(X)
<b>GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)</b>				

Subject	Schenectady city, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	11,521	+/-580	11,521	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	1,269	+/-221	11.0%	+/-1.9
15.0 to 19.9 percent	1,705	+/-232	14.8%	+/-2.0
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,269	+/-237	11.0%	+/-1.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,300	+/-225	11.3%	+/-1.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	896	+/-194	7.8%	+/-1.6
35.0 percent or more	5,082	+/-418	44.1%	+/-2.5
Not computed	740	+/-182	(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.

