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2008-2012 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
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	345,468	+/-1,748	345,468	(X)
Family households (families)	211,112	+/-2,070	61.1%	+/-0.5
With own children under 18 years	91,287	+/-1,504	26.4%	+/-0.4
Married-couple family	159,933	+/-2,094	46.3%	+/-0.6
With own children under 18 years	62,171	+/-1,246	18.0%	+/-0.3
Male householder, no wife present, family	12,972	+/-884	3.8%	+/-0.3
With own children under 18 years	7,006	+/-690	2.0%	+/-0.2
Female householder, no husband present, family	38,207	+/-1,052	11.1%	+/-0.3
With own children under 18 years	22,110	+/-879	6.4%	+/-0.2
Nonfamily households	134,356	+/-1,891	38.9%	+/-0.5
Householder living alone	107,558	+/-1,765	31.1%	+/-0.5
65 years and over	37,473	+/-1,038	10.8%	+/-0.3
Households with one or more people under 18 years	97,926	+/-1,578	28.3%	+/-0.4
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	86,430	+/-888	25.0%	+/-0.2
Average household size	2.42	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.08	+/-0.02	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	836,979	+/-1,295	836,979	(X)
Householder	345,468	+/-1,748	41.3%	+/-0.2
Spouse	160,159	+/-1,875	19.1%	+/-0.2
Child	244,892	+/-1,860	29.3%	+/-0.2
Other relatives	34,220	+/-1,721	4.1%	+/-0.2
Nonrelatives	52,240	+/-2,004	6.2%	+/-0.2
Unmarried partner	25,858	+/-1,130	3.1%	+/-0.1
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	347,957	+/-185	347,957	(X)
Never married	132,227	+/-1,569	38.0%	+/-0.5
Now married, except separated	170,760	+/-1,937	49.1%	+/-0.6
Separated	7,475	+/-543	2.1%	+/-0.2
Widowed	10,269	+/-553	3.0%	+/-0.2

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Divorced	27,226	+/-996	7.8%	+/-0.3
Females 15 years and over	372,440	+/-140	372,440	(X)
Never married	117,471	+/-1,310	31.5%	+/-0.3
Now married, except separated	169,211	+/-1,978	45.4%	+/-0.5
Separated	9,845	+/-686	2.6%	+/-0.2
Widowed	37,119	+/-1,015	10.0%	+/-0.3
Divorced	38,794	+/-1,014	10.4%	+/-0.3
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	9,349	+/-654	9,349	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	2,947	+/-380	31.5%	+/-3.3
Per 1,000 unmarried women	24	+/-3	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	43	+/-3	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	8	+/-3	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	78	+/-6	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	24	+/-3	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	10,776	+/-835	10,776	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	4,047	+/-538	37.6%	+/-3.8
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	765	+/-264	7.1%	+/-2.3
1 or 2 years	865	+/-235	8.0%	+/-2.1
3 or 4 years	642	+/-225	6.0%	+/-2.0
5 or more years	1,775	+/-326	16.5%	+/-2.8
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	4,047	+/-538	4,047	(X)
Who are female	2,546	+/-339	62.9%	+/-2.6
Who are married	2,881	+/-511	71.2%	+/-5.5
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	229,349	+/-1,789	229,349	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	12,254	+/-739	5.3%	+/-0.3
Kindergarten	9,815	+/-649	4.3%	+/-0.3
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	83,473	+/-805	36.4%	+/-0.5
High school (grades 9-12)	45,940	+/-976	20.0%	+/-0.4
College or graduate school	77,867	+/-1,734	34.0%	+/-0.6
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	589,670	+/-272	589,670	(X)
Less than 9th grade	16,167	+/-835	2.7%	+/-0.1
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	34,867	+/-1,196	5.9%	+/-0.2
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	167,568	+/-2,256	28.4%	+/-0.4
Some college, no degree	105,118	+/-2,174	17.8%	+/-0.4
Associate's degree	67,978	+/-1,765	11.5%	+/-0.3
Bachelor's degree	107,955	+/-2,085	18.3%	+/-0.4
Graduate or professional degree	90,017	+/-2,111	15.3%	+/-0.4
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	91.3%	+/-0.2
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	33.6%	+/-0.5
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	683,401	+/-395	683,401	(X)
Civilian veterans	64,164	+/-1,451	9.4%	+/-0.2

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DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	859,822	+/-764	859,822	(X)
With a disability	97,939	+/-2,059	11.4%	+/-0.2
Under 18 years	184,860	+/-178	184,860	(X)
With a disability	8,322	+/-662	4.5%	+/-0.4
18 to 64 years	556,631	+/-635	556,631	(X)
With a disability	49,647	+/-1,562	8.9%	+/-0.3
65 years and over	118,331	+/-520	118,331	(X)
With a disability	39,970	+/-972	33.8%	+/-0.8
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	862,036	+/-499	862,036	(X)
Same house	751,657	+/-3,375	87.2%	+/-0.4
Different house in the U.S.	106,060	+/-3,223	12.3%	+/-0.4
Same county	58,107	+/-2,550	6.7%	+/-0.3
Different county	47,953	+/-2,036	5.6%	+/-0.2
Same state	33,590	+/-1,824	3.9%	+/-0.2
Different state	14,363	+/-1,212	1.7%	+/-0.1
Abroad	4,319	+/-630	0.5%	+/-0.1
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	870,890	*****	870,890	(X)
Native	813,002	+/-1,917	93.4%	+/-0.2
Born in United States	803,027	+/-1,927	92.2%	+/-0.2
State of residence	673,022	+/-2,914	77.3%	+/-0.3
Different state	130,005	+/-2,715	14.9%	+/-0.3
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	9,975	+/-828	1.1%	+/-0.1
Foreign born	57,888	+/-1,917	6.6%	+/-0.2
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	57,888	+/-1,917	57,888	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	31,933	+/-1,177	55.2%	+/-1.7
Not a U.S. citizen	25,955	+/-1,523	44.8%	+/-1.7
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	67,863	+/-1,927	67,863	(X)
Native	9,975	+/-828	9,975	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	94	+/-49	0.9%	+/-0.5
Entered before 2010	9,881	+/-816	99.1%	+/-0.5
Foreign born	57,888	+/-1,917	57,888	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	2,112	+/-470	3.6%	+/-0.8
Entered before 2010	55,776	+/-1,824	96.4%	+/-0.8
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	57,888	+/-1,917	57,888	(X)
Europe	16,034	+/-1,194	27.7%	+/-1.6
Asia	21,776	+/-774	37.6%	+/-1.4
Africa	2,925	+/-598	5.1%	+/-1.0
Oceania	444	+/-284	0.8%	+/-0.5
Latin America	14,088	+/-1,062	24.3%	+/-1.6
Northern America	2,621	+/-343	4.5%	+/-0.6

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LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	824,269	+/-98	824,269	(X)
English only	751,912	+/-2,000	91.2%	+/-0.2
Language other than English	72,357	+/-1,984	8.8%	+/-0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	24,121	+/-1,152	2.9%	+/-0.1
Spanish	22,408	+/-1,170	2.7%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	7,222	+/-748	0.9%	+/-0.1
Other Indo-European languages	32,206	+/-1,840	3.9%	+/-0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	10,194	+/-849	1.2%	+/-0.1
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	13,758	+/-897	1.7%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	5,681	+/-591	0.7%	+/-0.1
Other languages	3,985	+/-764	0.5%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	1,024	+/-281	0.1%	+/-0.1
ANCESTRY				
Total population	870,890	*****	870,890	(X)
American	51,938	+/-2,149	6.0%	+/-0.2
Arab	4,659	+/-747	0.5%	+/-0.1
Czech	3,648	+/-514	0.4%	+/-0.1
Danish	3,298	+/-465	0.4%	+/-0.1
Dutch	34,086	+/-1,542	3.9%	+/-0.2
English	88,493	+/-2,408	10.2%	+/-0.3
French (except Basque)	63,635	+/-1,961	7.3%	+/-0.2
French Canadian	17,649	+/-1,255	2.0%	+/-0.1
German	146,869	+/-3,457	16.9%	+/-0.4
Greek	4,643	+/-594	0.5%	+/-0.1
Hungarian	5,374	+/-694	0.6%	+/-0.1
Irish	203,300	+/-3,332	23.3%	+/-0.4
Italian	148,913	+/-2,899	17.1%	+/-0.3
Lithuanian	3,624	+/-563	0.4%	+/-0.1
Norwegian	5,266	+/-577	0.6%	+/-0.1
Polish	62,454	+/-2,176	7.2%	+/-0.2
Portuguese	1,796	+/-389	0.2%	+/-0.1
Russian	13,981	+/-955	1.6%	+/-0.1
Scotch-Irish	5,437	+/-560	0.6%	+/-0.1
Scottish	17,334	+/-1,020	2.0%	+/-0.1
Slovak	2,407	+/-399	0.3%	+/-0.1
Subsaharan African	4,936	+/-840	0.6%	+/-0.1
Swedish	7,573	+/-828	0.9%	+/-0.1
Swiss	2,315	+/-393	0.3%	+/-0.1
Ukrainian	7,504	+/-829	0.9%	+/-0.1
Welsh	6,650	+/-704	0.8%	+/-0.1
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	8,411	+/-1,175	1.0%	+/-0.1

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.

Fertility data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with data collection. See Errata Note #92 for details.

The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Accordingly, comparisons of disability data from 2008 or later with data from prior years are not recommended. For more information on these questions and their evaluation in the 2006 ACS Content Test, see the Evaluation Report Covering Disability.

While the 2008-2012 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, 2008-2012 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.