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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

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
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>				
Total housing units	392,780	+/-598	392,780	(X)
Occupied housing units	345,468	+/-1,748	88.0%	+/-0.4
Vacant housing units	47,312	+/-1,526	12.0%	+/-0.4
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.6	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	5.5	+/-0.6	(X)	(X)
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE</b>				
Total housing units	392,780	+/-598	392,780	(X)
1-unit, detached	225,690	+/-1,550	57.5%	+/-0.4
1-unit, attached	15,227	+/-780	3.9%	+/-0.2
2 units	51,140	+/-1,508	13.0%	+/-0.4
3 or 4 units	30,097	+/-1,090	7.7%	+/-0.3
5 to 9 units	19,675	+/-915	5.0%	+/-0.2
10 to 19 units	14,131	+/-886	3.6%	+/-0.2
20 or more units	21,484	+/-836	5.5%	+/-0.2
Mobile home	15,319	+/-603	3.9%	+/-0.2
Boat, RV, van, etc.	17	+/-15	0.0%	+/-0.1
<b>YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT</b>				
Total housing units	392,780	+/-598	392,780	(X)
Built 2010 or later	621	+/-131	0.2%	+/-0.1
Built 2000 to 2009	33,963	+/-1,098	8.6%	+/-0.3
Built 1990 to 1999	37,905	+/-1,090	9.7%	+/-0.3
Built 1980 to 1989	42,805	+/-1,050	10.9%	+/-0.3
Built 1970 to 1979	48,855	+/-1,382	12.4%	+/-0.4
Built 1960 to 1969	37,520	+/-1,102	9.6%	+/-0.3
Built 1950 to 1959	42,436	+/-1,194	10.8%	+/-0.3
Built 1940 to 1949	24,820	+/-983	6.3%	+/-0.2
Built 1939 or earlier	123,855	+/-1,852	31.5%	+/-0.5
<b>ROOMS</b>				
Total housing units	392,780	+/-598	392,780	(X)
1 room	6,900	+/-605	1.8%	+/-0.2
2 rooms	8,270	+/-707	2.1%	+/-0.2

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3 rooms	33,755	+/-1,185	8.6%	+/-0.3
4 rooms	60,538	+/-1,645	15.4%	+/-0.4
5 rooms	67,753	+/-1,687	17.2%	+/-0.4
6 rooms	77,047	+/-1,662	19.6%	+/-0.4
7 rooms	51,656	+/-1,408	13.2%	+/-0.4
8 rooms	40,523	+/-1,291	10.3%	+/-0.3
9 rooms or more	46,338	+/-1,332	11.8%	+/-0.3
Median rooms	5.7	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
<b>BEDROOMS</b>				
Total housing units	392,780	+/-598	392,780	(X)
No bedroom	7,755	+/-623	2.0%	+/-0.2
1 bedroom	47,187	+/-1,341	12.0%	+/-0.3
2 bedrooms	103,152	+/-1,790	26.3%	+/-0.5
3 bedrooms	149,390	+/-1,978	38.0%	+/-0.5
4 bedrooms	69,247	+/-1,466	17.6%	+/-0.4
5 or more bedrooms	16,049	+/-886	4.1%	+/-0.2
<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>				
Occupied housing units	345,468	+/-1,748	345,468	(X)
Owner-occupied	228,699	+/-1,783	66.2%	+/-0.5
Renter-occupied	116,769	+/-1,958	33.8%	+/-0.5
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.59	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.09	+/-0.03	(X)	(X)
<b>YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT</b>				
Occupied housing units	345,468	+/-1,748	345,468	(X)
Moved in 2010 or later	31,807	+/-1,215	9.2%	+/-0.3
Moved in 2000 to 2009	165,725	+/-2,125	48.0%	+/-0.5
Moved in 1990 to 1999	62,141	+/-1,341	18.0%	+/-0.4
Moved in 1980 to 1989	38,013	+/-1,020	11.0%	+/-0.3
Moved in 1970 to 1979	23,130	+/-898	6.7%	+/-0.3
Moved in 1969 or earlier	24,652	+/-658	7.1%	+/-0.2
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>				
Occupied housing units	345,468	+/-1,748	345,468	(X)
No vehicles available	33,794	+/-1,144	9.8%	+/-0.3
1 vehicle available	123,305	+/-2,066	35.7%	+/-0.6
2 vehicles available	134,025	+/-1,641	38.8%	+/-0.5
3 or more vehicles available	54,344	+/-1,263	15.7%	+/-0.4
<b>HOUSE HEATING FUEL</b>				
Occupied housing units	345,468	+/-1,748	345,468	(X)
Utility gas	205,883	+/-2,053	59.6%	+/-0.5
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	17,418	+/-716	5.0%	+/-0.2
Electricity	44,863	+/-1,130	13.0%	+/-0.3
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	62,236	+/-1,305	18.0%	+/-0.4
Coal or coke	434	+/-134	0.1%	+/-0.1
Wood	11,701	+/-550	3.4%	+/-0.2
Solar energy	146	+/-74	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	2,089	+/-303	0.6%	+/-0.1
No fuel used	698	+/-165	0.2%	+/-0.1
<b>SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS</b>				
Occupied housing units	345,468	+/-1,748	345,468	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	1,034	+/-212	0.3%	+/-0.1
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	1,723	+/-228	0.5%	+/-0.1
No telephone service available	6,952	+/-506	2.0%	+/-0.1

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<b>OCCUPANTS PER ROOM</b>				
Occupied housing units	345,468	+/-1,748	345,468	(X)
1.00 or less	341,670	+/-1,692	98.9%	+/-0.1
1.01 to 1.50	2,457	+/-339	0.7%	+/-0.1
1.51 or more	1,341	+/-247	0.4%	+/-0.1
<b>VALUE</b>				
Owner-occupied units	228,699	+/-1,783	228,699	(X)
Less than \$50,000	11,740	+/-612	5.1%	+/-0.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	19,422	+/-705	8.5%	+/-0.3
\$100,000 to \$149,999	33,952	+/-1,059	14.8%	+/-0.4
\$150,000 to \$199,999	51,135	+/-1,483	22.4%	+/-0.6
\$200,000 to \$299,999	65,952	+/-1,151	28.8%	+/-0.5
\$300,000 to \$499,999	37,168	+/-946	16.3%	+/-0.4
\$500,000 to \$999,999	7,960	+/-574	3.5%	+/-0.2
\$1,000,000 or more	1,370	+/-242	0.6%	+/-0.1
Median (dollars)	197,900	+/-1,492	(X)	(X)
<b>MORTGAGE STATUS</b>				
Owner-occupied units	228,699	+/-1,783	228,699	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	152,569	+/-1,805	66.7%	+/-0.5
Housing units without a mortgage	76,130	+/-1,294	33.3%	+/-0.5
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)</b>				
Housing units with a mortgage	152,569	+/-1,805	152,569	(X)
Less than \$300	171	+/-70	0.1%	+/-0.1
\$300 to \$499	1,238	+/-186	0.8%	+/-0.1
\$500 to \$699	4,079	+/-406	2.7%	+/-0.3
\$700 to \$999	13,806	+/-692	9.0%	+/-0.5
\$1,000 to \$1,499	43,800	+/-1,397	28.7%	+/-0.8
\$1,500 to \$1,999	41,969	+/-1,409	27.5%	+/-0.8
\$2,000 or more	47,506	+/-1,155	31.1%	+/-0.7
Median (dollars)	1,643	+/-12	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	76,130	+/-1,294	76,130	(X)
Less than \$100	144	+/-66	0.2%	+/-0.1
\$100 to \$199	1,666	+/-264	2.2%	+/-0.4
\$200 to \$299	4,798	+/-376	6.3%	+/-0.5
\$300 to \$399	9,053	+/-568	11.9%	+/-0.7
\$400 or more	60,469	+/-1,272	79.4%	+/-0.8
Median (dollars)	590	+/-6	(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)	152,105	+/-1,792	152,105	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	57,865	+/-1,594	38.0%	+/-0.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	28,629	+/-1,002	18.8%	+/-0.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	19,923	+/-931	13.1%	+/-0.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	12,523	+/-628	8.2%	+/-0.4
35.0 percent or more	33,165	+/-997	21.8%	+/-0.7
Not computed	464	+/-164	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	75,473	+/-1,284	75,473	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	26,051	+/-870	34.5%	+/-1.0
10.0 to 14.9 percent	16,332	+/-716	21.6%	+/-0.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	10,568	+/-594	14.0%	+/-0.8

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20.0 to 24.9 percent	6,202	+/-460	8.2%	+/-0.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	3,978	+/-437	5.3%	+/-0.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	2,732	+/-321	3.6%	+/-0.4
35.0 percent or more	9,610	+/-630	12.7%	+/-0.8
Not computed	657	+/-175	(X)	(X)
<b>GROSS RENT</b>				
Occupied units paying rent	112,737	+/-1,900	112,737	(X)
Less than \$200	1,542	+/-282	1.4%	+/-0.3
\$200 to \$299	4,415	+/-426	3.9%	+/-0.4
\$300 to \$499	7,096	+/-534	6.3%	+/-0.5
\$500 to \$749	24,737	+/-936	21.9%	+/-0.7
\$750 to \$999	37,446	+/-1,267	33.2%	+/-0.9
\$1,000 to \$1,499	29,919	+/-934	26.5%	+/-0.7
\$1,500 or more	7,582	+/-492	6.7%	+/-0.4
Median (dollars)	874	+/-5	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	4,032	+/-390	(X)	(X)
<b>GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)</b>				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	110,811	+/-1,912	110,811	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	15,118	+/-899	13.6%	+/-0.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	16,464	+/-891	14.9%	+/-0.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	14,134	+/-728	12.8%	+/-0.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	12,865	+/-745	11.6%	+/-0.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	8,836	+/-608	8.0%	+/-0.6
35.0 percent or more	43,394	+/-1,472	39.2%	+/-1.0
Not computed	5,958	+/-515	(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, 2011, and 2012 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.

Telephone service data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with data collection. See Errata Note #93 for details.

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.