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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 city, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	47,561	+/-665	47,561	(X)
Occupied housing units	39,693	+/-674	83.5%	+/-1.1
Vacant housing units	7,868	+/-583	16.5%	+/-1.1
Homeowner vacancy rate	3.9	+/-1.2	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	7.9	+/-1.2	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	47,561	+/-665	47,561	(X)
1-unit, detached	13,501	+/-609	28.4%	+/-1.2
1-unit, attached	2,847	+/-410	6.0%	+/-0.8
2 units	12,481	+/-794	26.2%	+/-1.7
3 or 4 units	7,561	+/-586	15.9%	+/-1.2
5 to 9 units	4,187	+/-430	8.8%	+/-0.9
10 to 19 units	1,885	+/-307	4.0%	+/-0.6
20 or more units	4,901	+/-369	10.3%	+/-0.8
Mobile home	198	+/-100	0.4%	+/-0.2
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-28	0.0%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	47,561	+/-665	47,561	(X)
Built 2010 or later	2	+/-9	0.0%	+/-0.1
Built 2000 to 2009	1,031	+/-189	2.2%	+/-0.4
Built 1990 to 1999	1,650	+/-294	3.5%	+/-0.6
Built 1980 to 1989	2,583	+/-304	5.4%	+/-0.6
Built 1970 to 1979	4,353	+/-384	9.2%	+/-0.8
Built 1960 to 1969	3,517	+/-372	7.4%	+/-0.8
Built 1950 to 1959	4,311	+/-401	9.1%	+/-0.8
Built 1940 to 1949	3,985	+/-448	8.4%	+/-1.0
Built 1939 or earlier	26,129	+/-791	54.9%	+/-1.3
ROOMS				
Total housing units	47,561	+/-665	47,561	(X)
1 room	2,092	+/-380	4.4%	+/-0.8
2 rooms	1,508	+/-274	3.2%	+/-0.6

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3 rooms	6,654	+/-569	14.0%	+/-1.2
4 rooms	9,969	+/-693	21.0%	+/-1.4
5 rooms	7,846	+/-580	16.5%	+/-1.2
6 rooms	9,250	+/-502	19.4%	+/-1.1
7 rooms	4,346	+/-401	9.1%	+/-0.8
8 rooms	2,933	+/-319	6.2%	+/-0.7
9 rooms or more	2,963	+/-291	6.2%	+/-0.6
Median rooms	5.0	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	47,561	+/-665	47,561	(X)
No bedroom	2,350	+/-393	4.9%	+/-0.8
1 bedroom	9,930	+/-729	20.9%	+/-1.5
2 bedrooms	14,356	+/-753	30.2%	+/-1.5
3 bedrooms	14,465	+/-728	30.4%	+/-1.5
4 bedrooms	4,760	+/-451	10.0%	+/-0.9
5 or more bedrooms	1,700	+/-225	3.6%	+/-0.5
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	39,693	+/-674	39,693	(X)
Owner-occupied	15,988	+/-522	40.3%	+/-1.3
Renter-occupied	23,705	+/-711	59.7%	+/-1.3
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.34	+/-0.07	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.11	+/-0.06	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	39,693	+/-674	39,693	(X)
Moved in 2010 or later	5,289	+/-513	13.3%	+/-1.2
Moved in 2000 to 2009	22,624	+/-728	57.0%	+/-1.5
Moved in 1990 to 1999	5,163	+/-415	13.0%	+/-1.0
Moved in 1980 to 1989	2,977	+/-352	7.5%	+/-0.9
Moved in 1970 to 1979	1,890	+/-232	4.8%	+/-0.6
Moved in 1969 or earlier	1,750	+/-215	4.4%	+/-0.5
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	39,693	+/-674	39,693	(X)
No vehicles available	9,844	+/-648	24.8%	+/-1.6
1 vehicle available	17,084	+/-850	43.0%	+/-1.9
2 vehicles available	9,785	+/-581	24.7%	+/-1.4
3 or more vehicles available	2,980	+/-340	7.5%	+/-0.9
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	39,693	+/-674	39,693	(X)
Utility gas	28,173	+/-726	71.0%	+/-1.6
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	715	+/-169	1.8%	+/-0.4
Electricity	8,198	+/-603	20.7%	+/-1.4
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	2,264	+/-286	5.7%	+/-0.7
Coal or coke	17	+/-27	0.0%	+/-0.1
Wood	24	+/-25	0.1%	+/-0.1
Solar energy	0	+/-28	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	156	+/-68	0.4%	+/-0.2
No fuel used	146	+/-81	0.4%	+/-0.2
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	39,693	+/-674	39,693	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	142	+/-85	0.4%	+/-0.2
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	270	+/-115	0.7%	+/-0.3
No telephone service available	1,334	+/-257	3.4%	+/-0.6

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OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	39,693	+/-674	39,693	(X)
1.00 or less	39,040	+/-699	98.4%	+/-0.4
1.01 to 1.50	383	+/-138	1.0%	+/-0.4
1.51 or more	270	+/-106	0.7%	+/-0.3
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	15,988	+/-522	15,988	(X)
Less than \$50,000	568	+/-145	3.6%	+/-0.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,931	+/-304	12.1%	+/-1.8
\$100,000 to \$149,999	2,652	+/-335	16.6%	+/-2.0
\$150,000 to \$199,999	4,711	+/-390	29.5%	+/-2.2
\$200,000 to \$299,999	4,463	+/-412	27.9%	+/-2.6
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1,287	+/-202	8.0%	+/-1.2
\$500,000 to \$999,999	352	+/-132	2.2%	+/-0.8
\$1,000,000 or more	24	+/-27	0.2%	+/-0.2
Median (dollars)	180,100	+/-4,898	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	15,988	+/-522	15,988	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	10,878	+/-479	68.0%	+/-2.1
Housing units without a mortgage	5,110	+/-374	32.0%	+/-2.1
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	10,878	+/-479	10,878	(X)
Less than \$300	54	+/-40	0.5%	+/-0.4
\$300 to \$499	143	+/-74	1.3%	+/-0.7
\$500 to \$699	314	+/-119	2.9%	+/-1.1
\$700 to \$999	1,112	+/-232	10.2%	+/-2.1
\$1,000 to \$1,499	3,271	+/-379	30.1%	+/-3.0
\$1,500 to \$1,999	3,245	+/-265	29.8%	+/-2.4
\$2,000 or more	2,739	+/-308	25.2%	+/-2.6
Median (dollars)	1,580	+/-43	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	5,110	+/-374	5,110	(X)
Less than \$100	20	+/-23	0.4%	+/-0.4
\$100 to \$199	146	+/-88	2.9%	+/-1.7
\$200 to \$299	250	+/-92	4.9%	+/-1.8
\$300 to \$399	571	+/-145	11.2%	+/-2.8
\$400 or more	4,123	+/-354	80.7%	+/-3.7
Median (dollars)	585	+/-25	(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)	10,800	+/-476	10,800	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	3,824	+/-382	35.4%	+/-3.2
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,994	+/-254	18.5%	+/-2.4
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,239	+/-282	11.5%	+/-2.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,121	+/-209	10.4%	+/-1.9
35.0 percent or more	2,622	+/-362	24.3%	+/-3.0
Not computed	78	+/-63	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	5,045	+/-367	5,045	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	1,742	+/-269	34.5%	+/-4.9
10.0 to 14.9 percent	988	+/-182	19.6%	+/-3.4
15.0 to 19.9 percent	601	+/-135	11.9%	+/-2.7

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
20.0 to 24.9 percent	406	+/-144	8.0%	+/-2.8
25.0 to 29.9 percent	335	+/-117	6.6%	+/-2.3
30.0 to 34.9 percent	145	+/-63	2.9%	+/-1.2
35.0 percent or more	828	+/-189	16.4%	+/-3.3
Not computed	65	+/-72	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	23,497	+/-685	23,497	(X)
Less than \$200	236	+/-95	1.0%	+/-0.4
\$200 to \$299	1,589	+/-261	6.8%	+/-1.1
\$300 to \$499	1,836	+/-275	7.8%	+/-1.2
\$500 to \$749	5,545	+/-450	23.6%	+/-1.8
\$750 to \$999	7,769	+/-605	33.1%	+/-2.2
\$1,000 to \$1,499	5,726	+/-527	24.4%	+/-2.2
\$1,500 or more	796	+/-175	3.4%	+/-0.7
Median (dollars)	834	+/-16	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	208	+/-104	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	22,775	+/-711	22,775	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	2,600	+/-380	11.4%	+/-1.7
15.0 to 19.9 percent	2,679	+/-385	11.8%	+/-1.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	2,612	+/-352	11.5%	+/-1.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	2,644	+/-382	11.6%	+/-1.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,826	+/-323	8.0%	+/-1.3
35.0 percent or more	10,414	+/-623	45.7%	+/-2.2
Not computed	930	+/-228	(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.