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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	Niskayuna town, Schenectady County, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	8,404	+/-273	8,404	(X)
Occupied housing units	8,064	+/-233	96.0%	+/-2.1
Vacant housing units	340	+/-180	4.0%	+/-2.1
Homeowner vacancy rate	0.0	+/-0.5	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	8.4	+/-6.6	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	8,404	+/-273	8,404	(X)
1-unit, detached	6,697	+/-283	79.7%	+/-1.9
1-unit, attached	273	+/-66	3.2%	+/-0.8
2 units	166	+/-98	2.0%	+/-1.1
3 or 4 units	158	+/-68	1.9%	+/-0.8
5 to 9 units	294	+/-103	3.5%	+/-1.2
10 to 19 units	127	+/-85	1.5%	+/-1.0
20 or more units	689	+/-149	8.2%	+/-1.8
Mobile home	0	+/-22	0.0%	+/-0.4
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-22	0.0%	+/-0.4
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	8,404	+/-273	8,404	(X)
Built 2010 or later	0	+/-22	0.0%	+/-0.4
Built 2000 to 2009	960	+/-185	11.4%	+/-2.2
Built 1990 to 1999	866	+/-185	10.3%	+/-2.1
Built 1980 to 1989	1,023	+/-212	12.2%	+/-2.5
Built 1970 to 1979	905	+/-189	10.8%	+/-2.2
Built 1960 to 1969	722	+/-161	8.6%	+/-1.9
Built 1950 to 1959	1,239	+/-219	14.7%	+/-2.5
Built 1940 to 1949	926	+/-163	11.0%	+/-1.9
Built 1939 or earlier	1,763	+/-181	21.0%	+/-2.2
ROOMS				
Total housing units	8,404	+/-273	8,404	(X)
1 room	92	+/-80	1.1%	+/-0.9
2 rooms	152	+/-64	1.8%	+/-0.7

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3 rooms	615	+/-173	7.3%	+/-2.0
4 rooms	527	+/-141	6.3%	+/-1.6
5 rooms	656	+/-176	7.8%	+/-2.1
6 rooms	1,335	+/-206	15.9%	+/-2.4
7 rooms	1,636	+/-208	19.5%	+/-2.5
8 rooms	1,518	+/-253	18.1%	+/-2.9
9 rooms or more	1,873	+/-227	22.3%	+/-2.6
Median rooms	7.0	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	8,404	+/-273	8,404	(X)
No bedroom	92	+/-80	1.1%	+/-0.9
1 bedroom	733	+/-174	8.7%	+/-2.0
2 bedrooms	1,253	+/-196	14.9%	+/-2.3
3 bedrooms	2,845	+/-333	33.9%	+/-3.6
4 bedrooms	2,900	+/-270	34.5%	+/-3.2
5 or more bedrooms	581	+/-147	6.9%	+/-1.8
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	8,064	+/-233	8,064	(X)
Owner-occupied	6,663	+/-240	82.6%	+/-2.1
Renter-occupied	1,401	+/-183	17.4%	+/-2.1
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.84	+/-0.09	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	1.82	+/-0.20	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	8,064	+/-233	8,064	(X)
Moved in 2010 or later	358	+/-129	4.4%	+/-1.6
Moved in 2000 to 2009	3,576	+/-281	44.3%	+/-3.3
Moved in 1990 to 1999	1,755	+/-207	21.8%	+/-2.4
Moved in 1980 to 1989	1,180	+/-212	14.6%	+/-2.6
Moved in 1970 to 1979	658	+/-162	8.2%	+/-2.0
Moved in 1969 or earlier	537	+/-119	6.7%	+/-1.4
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	8,064	+/-233	8,064	(X)
No vehicles available	420	+/-121	5.2%	+/-1.5
1 vehicle available	1,912	+/-227	23.7%	+/-2.6
2 vehicles available	4,321	+/-281	53.6%	+/-3.3
3 or more vehicles available	1,411	+/-245	17.5%	+/-3.0
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	8,064	+/-233	8,064	(X)
Utility gas	6,730	+/-264	83.5%	+/-2.5
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	123	+/-67	1.5%	+/-0.8
Electricity	422	+/-141	5.2%	+/-1.7
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	646	+/-147	8.0%	+/-1.8
Coal or coke	0	+/-22	0.0%	+/-0.4
Wood	73	+/-44	0.9%	+/-0.5
Solar energy	0	+/-22	0.0%	+/-0.4
Other fuel	24	+/-27	0.3%	+/-0.3
No fuel used	46	+/-55	0.6%	+/-0.7
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	8,064	+/-233	8,064	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	0	+/-22	0.0%	+/-0.4
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	75	+/-34	0.9%	+/-0.4
No telephone service available	106	+/-62	1.3%	+/-0.8

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OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	8,064	+/-233	8,064	(X)
1.00 or less	8,029	+/-239	99.6%	+/-0.4
1.01 to 1.50	35	+/-32	0.4%	+/-0.4
1.51 or more	0	+/-22	0.0%	+/-0.4
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	6,663	+/-240	6,663	(X)
Less than \$50,000	77	+/-52	1.2%	+/-0.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	93	+/-49	1.4%	+/-0.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	416	+/-118	6.2%	+/-1.7
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,165	+/-200	17.5%	+/-2.8
\$200,000 to \$299,999	2,617	+/-240	39.3%	+/-3.6
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1,991	+/-220	29.9%	+/-3.1
\$500,000 to \$999,999	287	+/-98	4.3%	+/-1.5
\$1,000,000 or more	17	+/-19	0.3%	+/-0.3
Median (dollars)	255,900	+/-9,861	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	6,663	+/-240	6,663	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	4,471	+/-270	67.1%	+/-3.6
Housing units without a mortgage	2,192	+/-267	32.9%	+/-3.6
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	4,471	+/-270	4,471	(X)
Less than \$300	0	+/-22	0.0%	+/-0.7
\$300 to \$499	15	+/-22	0.3%	+/-0.5
\$500 to \$699	28	+/-26	0.6%	+/-0.6
\$700 to \$999	127	+/-68	2.8%	+/-1.5
\$1,000 to \$1,499	736	+/-165	16.5%	+/-3.5
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,373	+/-226	30.7%	+/-4.5
\$2,000 or more	2,192	+/-211	49.0%	+/-4.3
Median (dollars)	1,983	+/-75	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	2,192	+/-267	2,192	(X)
Less than \$100	15	+/-24	0.7%	+/-1.1
\$100 to \$199	0	+/-22	0.0%	+/-1.5
\$200 to \$299	47	+/-40	2.1%	+/-1.8
\$300 to \$399	38	+/-36	1.7%	+/-1.7
\$400 or more	2,092	+/-264	95.4%	+/-2.6
Median (dollars)	822	+/-36	(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)	4,471	+/-270	4,471	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	1,944	+/-240	43.5%	+/-4.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	978	+/-171	21.9%	+/-3.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	518	+/-136	11.6%	+/-2.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	346	+/-124	7.7%	+/-2.8
35.0 percent or more	685	+/-161	15.3%	+/-3.4
Not computed	0	+/-22	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	2,177	+/-265	2,177	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	895	+/-193	41.1%	+/-7.3
10.0 to 14.9 percent	422	+/-134	19.4%	+/-5.6
15.0 to 19.9 percent	278	+/-105	12.8%	+/-4.7

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20.0 to 24.9 percent	145	+/-65	6.7%	+/-3.0
25.0 to 29.9 percent	111	+/-98	5.1%	+/-4.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	24	+/-27	1.1%	+/-1.2
35.0 percent or more	302	+/-100	13.9%	+/-4.0
Not computed	15	+/-25	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	1,355	+/-183	1,355	(X)
Less than \$200	0	+/-22	0.0%	+/-2.4
\$200 to \$299	0	+/-22	0.0%	+/-2.4
\$300 to \$499	26	+/-31	1.9%	+/-2.3
\$500 to \$749	327	+/-113	24.1%	+/-7.5
\$750 to \$999	469	+/-145	34.6%	+/-9.3
\$1,000 to \$1,499	396	+/-114	29.2%	+/-7.8
\$1,500 or more	137	+/-59	10.1%	+/-4.3
Median (dollars)	932	+/-52	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	46	+/-38	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	1,341	+/-188	1,341	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	348	+/-146	26.0%	+/-10.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	235	+/-92	17.5%	+/-6.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	104	+/-58	7.8%	+/-4.4
25.0 to 29.9 percent	123	+/-106	9.2%	+/-7.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	96	+/-78	7.2%	+/-5.8
35.0 percent or more	435	+/-144	32.4%	+/-9.3
Not computed	60	+/-43	(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.