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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	United States			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	131,642,457	+/-4,887	131,642,457	(X)
Occupied housing units	115,226,802	+/-238,575	87.5%	+/-0.2
Vacant housing units	16,415,655	+/-234,973	12.5%	+/-0.2
Homeowner vacancy rate	2.3	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	7.5	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	131,642,457	+/-4,887	131,642,457	(X)
1-unit, detached	81,221,016	+/-104,448	61.7%	+/-0.1
1-unit, attached	7,618,882	+/-25,162	5.8%	+/-0.1
2 units	5,004,472	+/-31,261	3.8%	+/-0.1
3 or 4 units	5,843,944	+/-21,098	4.4%	+/-0.1
5 to 9 units	6,297,960	+/-30,442	4.8%	+/-0.1
10 to 19 units	5,904,658	+/-31,154	4.5%	+/-0.1
20 or more units	11,059,028	+/-19,765	8.4%	+/-0.1
Mobile home	8,583,843	+/-36,439	6.5%	+/-0.1
Boat, RV, van, etc.	108,654	+/-2,580	0.1%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	131,642,457	+/-4,887	131,642,457	(X)
Built 2010 or later	382,680	+/-4,711	0.3%	+/-0.1
Built 2000 to 2009	18,670,035	+/-47,821	14.2%	+/-0.1
Built 1990 to 1999	18,378,750	+/-26,703	14.0%	+/-0.1
Built 1980 to 1989	18,413,257	+/-29,118	14.0%	+/-0.1
Built 1970 to 1979	21,175,542	+/-31,546	16.1%	+/-0.1
Built 1960 to 1969	14,705,468	+/-21,735	11.2%	+/-0.1
Built 1950 to 1959	14,550,143	+/-24,596	11.1%	+/-0.1
Built 1940 to 1949	7,356,557	+/-15,217	5.6%	+/-0.1
Built 1939 or earlier	18,010,025	+/-37,706	13.7%	+/-0.1
ROOMS				
Total housing units	131,642,457	+/-4,887	131,642,457	(X)
1 room	2,564,960	+/-24,902	1.9%	+/-0.1
2 rooms	3,105,946	+/-17,242	2.4%	+/-0.1

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3 rooms	11,812,265	+/-30,053	9.0%	+/-0.1
4 rooms	21,808,631	+/-70,676	16.6%	+/-0.1
5 rooms	26,871,654	+/-67,115	20.4%	+/-0.1
6 rooms	24,021,133	+/-26,858	18.2%	+/-0.1
7 rooms	16,302,008	+/-36,985	12.4%	+/-0.1
8 rooms	11,307,328	+/-48,644	8.6%	+/-0.1
9 rooms or more	13,848,532	+/-88,524	10.5%	+/-0.1
Median rooms	5.5	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	131,642,457	+/-4,887	131,642,457	(X)
No bedroom	2,849,975	+/-21,159	2.2%	+/-0.1
1 bedroom	14,641,061	+/-26,338	11.1%	+/-0.1
2 bedrooms	35,340,003	+/-72,828	26.8%	+/-0.1
3 bedrooms	52,335,866	+/-53,675	39.8%	+/-0.1
4 bedrooms	21,002,357	+/-54,455	16.0%	+/-0.1
5 or more bedrooms	5,473,195	+/-14,382	4.2%	+/-0.1
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	115,226,802	+/-238,575	115,226,802	(X)
Owner-occupied	75,484,661	+/-348,907	65.5%	+/-0.2
Renter-occupied	39,742,141	+/-115,303	34.5%	+/-0.2
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.68	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.48	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	115,226,802	+/-238,575	115,226,802	(X)
Moved in 2010 or later	12,418,709	+/-35,817	10.8%	+/-0.1
Moved in 2000 to 2009	59,544,010	+/-91,978	51.7%	+/-0.1
Moved in 1990 to 1999	21,269,029	+/-96,070	18.5%	+/-0.1
Moved in 1980 to 1989	9,978,731	+/-48,031	8.7%	+/-0.1
Moved in 1970 to 1979	6,598,756	+/-26,397	5.7%	+/-0.1
Moved in 1969 or earlier	5,417,567	+/-22,230	4.7%	+/-0.1
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	115,226,802	+/-238,575	115,226,802	(X)
No vehicles available	10,405,375	+/-25,880	9.0%	+/-0.1
1 vehicle available	38,794,193	+/-37,472	33.7%	+/-0.1
2 vehicles available	43,369,234	+/-132,491	37.6%	+/-0.1
3 or more vehicles available	22,658,000	+/-86,959	19.7%	+/-0.1
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	115,226,802	+/-238,575	115,226,802	(X)
Utility gas	56,946,717	+/-149,847	49.4%	+/-0.1
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	5,797,150	+/-24,383	5.0%	+/-0.1
Electricity	40,920,801	+/-66,293	35.5%	+/-0.1
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	7,444,637	+/-14,672	6.5%	+/-0.1
Coal or coke	133,994	+/-1,758	0.1%	+/-0.1
Wood	2,398,110	+/-10,127	2.1%	+/-0.1
Solar energy	42,747	+/-1,164	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	501,131	+/-4,931	0.4%	+/-0.1
No fuel used	1,041,515	+/-6,605	0.9%	+/-0.1
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	115,226,802	+/-238,575	115,226,802	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	628,104	+/-10,449	0.5%	+/-0.1
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	1,048,399	+/-10,337	0.9%	+/-0.1
No telephone service available	2,879,289	+/-12,426	2.5%	+/-0.1

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OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	115,226,802	+/-238,575	115,226,802	(X)
1.00 or less	111,507,835	+/-255,099	96.8%	+/-0.1
1.01 to 1.50	2,579,766	+/-16,914	2.2%	+/-0.1
1.51 or more	1,139,201	+/-8,669	1.0%	+/-0.1
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	75,484,661	+/-348,907	75,484,661	(X)
Less than \$50,000	6,507,037	+/-30,228	8.6%	+/-0.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11,459,242	+/-58,207	15.2%	+/-0.1
\$100,000 to \$149,999	11,902,702	+/-55,276	15.8%	+/-0.1
\$150,000 to \$199,999	11,341,489	+/-57,317	15.0%	+/-0.1
\$200,000 to \$299,999	13,962,144	+/-74,828	18.5%	+/-0.1
\$300,000 to \$499,999	12,119,827	+/-59,441	16.1%	+/-0.1
\$500,000 to \$999,999	6,546,005	+/-29,150	8.7%	+/-0.1
\$1,000,000 or more	1,646,215	+/-8,543	2.2%	+/-0.1
Median (dollars)	181,400	+/-169	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	75,484,661	+/-348,907	75,484,661	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	50,671,257	+/-244,375	67.1%	+/-0.1
Housing units without a mortgage	24,813,404	+/-107,168	32.9%	+/-0.1
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	50,671,257	+/-244,375	50,671,257	(X)
Less than \$300	90,178	+/-2,071	0.2%	+/-0.1
\$300 to \$499	803,497	+/-7,465	1.6%	+/-0.1
\$500 to \$699	2,479,280	+/-15,093	4.9%	+/-0.1
\$700 to \$999	6,945,037	+/-34,307	13.7%	+/-0.1
\$1,000 to \$1,499	13,664,107	+/-64,133	27.0%	+/-0.1
\$1,500 to \$1,999	10,299,293	+/-55,795	20.3%	+/-0.1
\$2,000 or more	16,389,865	+/-86,781	32.3%	+/-0.1
Median (dollars)	1,559	+/-2	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	24,813,404	+/-107,168	24,813,404	(X)
Less than \$100	293,726	+/-3,568	1.2%	+/-0.1
\$100 to \$199	1,688,436	+/-9,775	6.8%	+/-0.1
\$200 to \$299	3,798,299	+/-20,904	15.3%	+/-0.1
\$300 to \$399	4,631,964	+/-23,439	18.7%	+/-0.1
\$400 or more	14,400,979	+/-62,512	58.0%	+/-0.1
Median (dollars)	449	+/-2	(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)	50,431,881	+/-245,564	50,431,881	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	17,603,354	+/-114,353	34.9%	+/-0.1
20.0 to 24.9 percent	8,111,630	+/-54,924	16.1%	+/-0.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	6,169,595	+/-38,024	12.2%	+/-0.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	4,414,966	+/-25,594	8.8%	+/-0.1
35.0 percent or more	14,132,336	+/-35,587	28.0%	+/-0.1
Not computed	239,376	+/-3,753	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	24,521,949	+/-106,981	24,521,949	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	9,702,022	+/-45,190	39.6%	+/-0.1
10.0 to 14.9 percent	4,911,966	+/-23,132	20.0%	+/-0.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	2,998,995	+/-15,814	12.2%	+/-0.1

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20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,879,847	+/-12,304	7.7%	+/-0.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,244,241	+/-7,899	5.1%	+/-0.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	849,874	+/-6,907	3.5%	+/-0.1
35.0 percent or more	2,935,004	+/-15,400	12.0%	+/-0.1
Not computed	291,455	+/-3,416	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	37,562,111	+/-112,958	37,562,111	(X)
Less than \$200	661,898	+/-5,660	1.8%	+/-0.1
\$200 to \$299	1,235,834	+/-8,832	3.3%	+/-0.1
\$300 to \$499	3,081,587	+/-13,143	8.2%	+/-0.1
\$500 to \$749	8,502,029	+/-23,551	22.6%	+/-0.1
\$750 to \$999	9,074,445	+/-31,874	24.2%	+/-0.1
\$1,000 to \$1,499	9,665,632	+/-42,976	25.7%	+/-0.1
\$1,500 or more	5,340,686	+/-35,233	14.2%	+/-0.1
Median (dollars)	889	+/-1	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	2,180,030	+/-10,145	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	36,736,730	+/-109,826	36,736,730	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	4,301,702	+/-25,012	11.7%	+/-0.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	4,446,355	+/-22,816	12.1%	+/-0.1
20.0 to 24.9 percent	4,606,906	+/-20,417	12.5%	+/-0.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	4,258,786	+/-15,908	11.6%	+/-0.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	3,344,207	+/-15,572	9.1%	+/-0.1
35.0 percent or more	15,778,774	+/-48,577	43.0%	+/-0.1
Not computed	3,005,411	+/-13,374	(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.