

Selected Social Characteristics in the United States: 2006-2008  
 Data Set: 2006-2008 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates  
 Survey: American Community Survey  
 Geographic Area: Des Moines-West Des Moines, IA Metropolitan Statistical Area

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Selected Social	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
<b>HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE</b>				
<b>Total households</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>1,688</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Family households (families)	141,723	1,765	66.0%	0.7
With own children under 18 years	71,532	1,588	33.3%	0.7
Married-couple family	112,207	1,832	52.3%	0.7
With own children under 18 years	51,674	1,560	24.1%	0.7
Male householder, no wife present, family	8,642	776	4.0%	0.4
With own children under 18 years	5,217	688	2.4%	0.3
Female householder, no husband present, family	20,874	1,058	9.7%	0.5
With own children under 18 years	14,641	912	6.8%	0.4
Nonfamily households	72,865	1,717	34.0%	0.7
Householder living alone	60,197	1,603	28.1%	0.7
65 years and over	18,394	962	8.6%	0.4
Households with one or more people under 18 years	75,493	1,666	35.2%	0.7
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	42,240	842	19.7%	0.4
Average household size	2.49	0.02	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.07	0.02	(X)	(X)
<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>				
<b>Population in households</b>	<b>534,185</b>	<b>2,142</b>	<b>534,185</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Householder	214,588	1,688	40.2%	0.3
Spouse	112,547	1,846	21.1%	0.3
Child	162,468	2,066	30.4%	0.4
Other relatives	18,493	1,527	3.5%	0.3
Nonrelatives	26,089	1,543	4.9%	0.3

Unmarried partner	12,579	1,009	2.4%	0.2
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>				
<b>Males 15 years and over</b>	<b>205,344</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>205,344</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Never married	60,683	1,366	29.6%	0.7
Now married, except separated	117,436	1,772	57.2%	0.9
Separated	3,163	637	1.5%	0.3
Widowed	4,076	396	2.0%	0.2
Divorced	19,986	1,244	9.7%	0.6
<b>Females 15 years and over</b>				
<b>Females 15 years and over</b>	<b>219,940</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>219,940</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Never married	54,200	1,384	24.6%	0.6
Now married, except separated	116,547	1,991	53.0%	0.9
Separated	3,682	597	1.7%	0.3
Widowed	18,825	910	8.6%	0.4
Divorced	26,686	1,358	12.1%	0.6
<b>FERTILITY</b>				
<b>Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months</b>	<b>8,137</b>	<b>743</b>	<b>8,137</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	1,945	368	23.9%	4.2
Per 1,000 unmarried women	30	6	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	58	5	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	13	6	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	113	12	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	23	6	(X)	(X)
<b>GRANDPARENTS</b>				
<b>Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years</b>	<b>6,127</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>6,127</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Responsible for grandchildren	2,467	517	40.3%	6.6
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	584	232	9.5%	4.1
1 or 2 years	645	327	10.5%	4.9
3 or 4 years	440	186	7.2%	2.9
5 or more years	798	312	13.0%	4.5

<b>Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years</b>	<b>2,467</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>2,467</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Who are female	1,458	323	59.1%	5.3
Who are married	1,903	473	77.1%	8.2
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>				
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>	<b>143,262</b>	<b>1,677</b>	<b>143,262</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Nursery school, preschool	11,271	872	7.9%	0.6
Kindergarten	7,707	727	5.4%	0.5
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	61,140	930	42.7%	0.8
High school (grades 9-12)	31,044	843	21.7%	0.6
College or graduate school	32,100	1,517	22.4%	0.9
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>				
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>	<b>356,326</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>356,326</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 9th grade	11,055	1,085	3.1%	0.3
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	19,969	1,496	5.6%	0.4
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	103,454	2,743	29.0%	0.8
Some college, no degree	75,195	2,020	21.1%	0.6
Associate's degree	32,905	1,637	9.2%	0.5
Bachelor's degree	81,437	2,014	22.9%	0.6
Graduate or professional degree	32,311	1,388	9.1%	0.4
Percent high school graduate or higher	91.3%	0.5	(X)	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	31.9%	0.6	(X)	(X)
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>				
<b>Civilian population 18 years and over</b>	<b>402,000</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>402,000</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Civilian veterans	39,735	1,340	9.9%	0.3
<b>DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION</b>				
<b>Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)

<b>Under 18 years</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
<b>18 to 64 years</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
<b>65 years and over</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
<b>RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO</b>				
<b>Population 1 year and over</b>	<b>537,242</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>537,242</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Same house	438,401	3,985	81.6%	0.8
Different house in the U.S.	96,711	3,995	18.0%	0.7
Same county	59,116	3,335	11.0%	0.6
Different county	37,595	2,678	7.0%	0.5
Same state	22,726	2,005	4.2%	0.4
Different state	14,869	1,866	2.8%	0.3
Abroad	2,130	648	0.4%	0.1
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>****</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Native	511,651	2,343	93.8%	0.4
Born in United States	508,587	2,425	93.2%	0.4
State of residence	386,583	3,829	70.9%	0.7
Different state	122,004	3,354	22.4%	0.6
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	3,064	518	0.6%	0.1
Foreign born	33,868	2,343	6.2%	0.4
<b>U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS</b>				
<b>Foreign-born population</b>	<b>33,868</b>	<b>2,343</b>	<b>33,868</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Naturalized U.S. citizen	12,812	1,285	37.8%	3.5
Not a U.S. citizen	21,056	2,091	62.2%	3.5
<b>YEAR OF ENTRY</b>				
<b>Population born outside the United States</b>	<b>36,932</b>	<b>2,425</b>	<b>36,932</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Native	3,064	518	3,064	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	472	214	15.4%	6.4
Entered before 2000	2,592	466	84.6%	6.4
<b>Foreign born</b>	<b>33,868</b>	<b>2,343</b>	<b>33,868</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Entered 2000 or later	12,413	1,971	36.7%	4.3
Entered before 2000	21,455	1,593	63.3%	4.3

<b>WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN</b>				
<b>Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea</b>	<b>33,868</b>	<b>2,343</b>	<b>33,868</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Europe	6,607	1,200	19.5%	2.8
Asia	10,543	666	31.1%	2.5
Africa	2,565	1,039	7.6%	2.8
Oceania	54	46	0.2%	0.1
Latin America	13,248	1,071	39.1%	2.8
Northern America	851	305	2.5%	0.9
<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME</b>				
<b>Population 5 years and over</b>	<b>503,098</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>503,098</b>	<b>(X)</b>
English only	456,210	2,712	90.7%	0.5
Language other than English	46,888	2,712	9.3%	0.5
Speak English less than "very well"	21,568	1,663	4.3%	0.3
Spanish	24,357	1,176	4.8%	0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	12,080	955	2.4%	0.2
Other Indo-European languages	10,130	1,670	2.0%	0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	3,591	870	0.7%	0.2
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	9,625	684	1.9%	0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	4,673	681	0.9%	0.1
Other languages	2,776	984	0.6%	0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	1,224	492	0.2%	0.1
<b>ANCESTRY</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>(X)</b>
American	28,707	1,927	5.3%	0.4
Arab	1,099	316	0.2%	0.1
Czech	6,016	827	1.1%	0.2
Danish	9,501	1,024	1.7%	0.2
Dutch	27,386	2,669	5.0%	0.5
English	60,192	2,885	11.0%	0.5
French (except Basque)	14,064	1,327	2.6%	0.2
French Canadian	1,549	458	0.3%	0.1
German	180,373	3,931	33.1%	0.7
Greek	1,775	530	0.3%	0.1
Hungarian	888	287	0.2%	0.1
Irish	86,769	3,496	15.9%	0.6

Italian	22,847	2,000	4.2%	0.4
Lithuanian	920	436	0.2%	0.1
Norwegian	26,929	1,920	4.9%	0.4
Polish	7,484	1,047	1.4%	0.2
Portuguese	376	211	0.1%	0.1
Russian	2,184	540	0.4%	0.1
Scotch-Irish	9,177	942	1.7%	0.2
Scottish	10,324	1,064	1.9%	0.2
Slovak	442	229	0.1%	0.1
Subsaharan African	3,236	1,245	0.6%	0.2
Swedish	19,508	1,510	3.6%	0.3
Swiss	2,185	470	0.4%	0.1
Ukrainian	481	233	0.1%	0.1
Welsh	6,283	903	1.2%	0.2
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	151	133	0.0%	0.1

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2008 American Community Survey

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.

Notes:

-Ancestry listed in this table refers to the total number of people who responded with a particular ancestry; for example, the estimate given for Russian represents the number of people who listed Russian as either their first or second ancestry. This table lists only the largest ancestry groups; see the Detailed Tables for more categories. Race and Hispanic origin groups are not included in this table because official data for those groups come from the Race and Hispanic origin questions rather than the ancestry question (see Demographic Table).

-The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Because of contextual differences between the 2008 disability data and disability data collected in the previous two years, the Census Bureau is unable to combine the 3 years of disability data in order to produce the multi-year estimate that would appear in this table. Multi-year estimates of disability status will become available once three consecutive years of data are collected. For more information about the differences between the 2008 and prior year's disability questions, and the evaluation of these questions in the 2006 ACS Content Test, see the Evaluation Report Covering Disability.

-Data for year of entry of the native population reflect the year of entry into the U.S. by people who were born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island Areas or born outside the U.S. to a U.S. citizen parent and who subsequently moved to the U.S.

-While the 2008 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2007 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. The 2008 Puerto Rico Community Survey (PRCS) data generally reflect the November 2007 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) definitions of metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas; in certain instances the

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<b>EMPLOYMENT STATUS</b>				
<b>Population 16 years and over</b>	<b>417,246</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>417,246</b>	<b>(X)</b>
In labor force	309,667	2,313	74.2%	0.6
Civilian labor force	309,062	2,326	74.1%	0.6
Employed	295,685	2,646	70.9%	0.6
Unemployed	13,377	1,098	3.2%	0.3
Armed Forces	605	219	0.1%	0.1
Not in labor force	107,579	2,362	25.8%	0.6
<b>Civilian labor force</b>	<b>309,062</b>	<b>2,326</b>	<b>309,062</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Percent Unemployed	4.3%	0.4	(X)	(X)
<b>Females 16 years and over</b>	<b>215,876</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>215,876</b>	<b>(X)</b>
In labor force	148,776	1,751	68.9%	0.8
Civilian labor force	148,736	1,753	68.9%	0.8
Employed	142,591	2,024	66.1%	1
<b>Own children under 6 years</b>	<b>48,293</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>48,293</b>	<b>(X)</b>
All parents in family in labor force	34,718	1,252	71.9%	2.3
<b>Own children 6 to 17 years</b>	<b>89,204</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>89,204</b>	<b>(X)</b>
All parents in family in labor force	71,271	1,756	79.9%	1.9
<b>COMMUTING TO WORK</b>				
<b>Workers 16 years and over</b>	<b>288,953</b>	<b>2,720</b>	<b>288,953</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	235,531	2,902	81.5%	0.7
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	29,952	1,728	10.4%	0.6
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	4,229	767	1.5%	0.3
Walked	5,749	785	2.0%	0.3
Other means	2,464	491	0.9%	0.2
Worked at home	11,028	1,058	3.8%	0.4

Mean travel time to work (minutes)	19.7	0.3	(X)	(X)
<b>OCCUPATION</b>				
<b>Civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>	<b>295,685</b>	<b>2,646</b>	<b>295,685</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Management, professional, and related occupations	112,281	2,545	38.0%	0.8
Service occupations	41,670	1,604	14.1%	0.5
Sales and office occupations	86,137	2,432	29.1%	0.8
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	1,016	367	0.3%	0.1
Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair occupations	24,375	1,271	8.2%	0.4
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	30,206	1,686	10.2%	0.6
<b>INDUSTRY</b>				
<b>Civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>	<b>295,685</b>	<b>2,646</b>	<b>295,685</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	4,018	579	1.4%	0.2
Construction	20,868	1,174	7.1%	0.4
Manufacturing	22,733	1,477	7.7%	0.5
Wholesale trade	11,316	818	3.8%	0.3
Retail trade	33,339	1,684	11.3%	0.5
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	13,778	906	4.7%	0.3
Information	8,863	858	3.0%	0.3
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	49,150	1,716	16.6%	0.6
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	25,726	1,419	8.7%	0.5
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	59,621	2,030	20.2%	0.6
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation, and food services	21,805	1,377	7.4%	0.5
Other services, except public administration	12,916	1,042	4.4%	0.3
Public administration	11,552	873	3.9%	0.3

<b>CLASS OF WORKER</b>				
<b>Civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>	<b>295,685</b>	<b>2,646</b>	<b>295,685</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Private wage and salary workers	244,368	2,484	82.6%	0.6
Government workers	35,158	1,562	11.9%	0.5
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	15,794	1,190	5.3%	0.4
Unpaid family workers	365	169	0.1%	0.1
<b>INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2008 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)</b>				
<b>Total households</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>1,688</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$10,000	11,137	1,065	5.2%	0.5
\$10,000 to \$14,999	9,361	833	4.4%	0.4
\$15,000 to \$24,999	19,583	1,083	9.1%	0.5
\$25,000 to \$34,999	21,746	1,364	10.1%	0.6
\$35,000 to \$49,999	30,902	1,418	14.4%	0.7
\$50,000 to \$74,999	44,330	1,653	20.7%	0.7
\$75,000 to \$99,999	31,220	1,317	14.5%	0.6
\$100,000 to \$149,999	29,221	1,392	13.6%	0.7
\$150,000 to \$199,999	8,911	754	4.2%	0.4
\$200,000 or more	8,177	746	3.8%	0.3
Median household income (dollars)	57,543	1,096	(X)	(X)
Mean household income (dollars)	73,588	1,238	(X)	(X)
With earnings	183,003	1,894	85.3%	0.6
Mean earnings (dollars)	73,173	1,310	(X)	(X)
With Social Security	48,481	1,073	22.6%	0.5
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	15,616	260	(X)	(X)
With retirement income	31,882	1,299	14.9%	0.6
Mean retirement income (dollars)	18,010	953	(X)	(X)
With Supplemental Security Income	5,499	559	2.6%	0.3
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	8,093	624	(X)	(X)
With cash public assistance income	4,324	543	2.0%	0.3
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	2,429	336	(X)	(X)
With Food Stamp benefits in the past 12 months	15,446	1,252	7.2%	0.6

<b>Families</b>	<b>141,723</b>	<b>1,765</b>	<b>141,723</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$10,000	3,892	621	2.7%	0.4
\$10,000 to \$14,999	3,272	555	2.3%	0.4
\$15,000 to \$24,999	8,274	745	5.8%	0.5
\$25,000 to \$34,999	10,821	1,004	7.6%	0.7
\$35,000 to \$49,999	17,450	1,127	12.3%	0.8
\$50,000 to \$74,999	30,912	1,415	21.8%	1
\$75,000 to \$99,999	25,867	1,282	18.3%	0.9
\$100,000 to \$149,999	25,952	1,365	18.3%	0.9
\$150,000 to \$199,999	8,011	779	5.7%	0.5
\$200,000 or more	7,272	659	5.1%	0.5
Median family income (dollars)	71,945	1,198	(X)	(X)
Mean family income (dollars)	88,030	1,778	(X)	(X)
Per capita income (dollars)	29,641	484	(X)	(X)
<b>Nonfamily households</b>	<b>72,865</b>	<b>1,717</b>	<b>72,865</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	33,770	968	(X)	(X)
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	43,185	1,271	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for workers (dollars)	32,231	393	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for male full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	47,103	969	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for female full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	37,215	690	(X)	(X)
<b>PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL</b>				
All families	6.2%	0.6	(X)	(X)
With related children under 18 years	9.8%	1	(X)	(X)
With related children under 5 years only	11.9%	2.4	(X)	(X)
Married couple families	2.5%	0.4	(X)	(X)
With related children under 18 years	3.4%	0.7	(X)	(X)
With related children under 5 years only	2.5%	1.4	(X)	(X)
Families with female householder, no husband present	24.0%	2.8	(X)	(X)

With related children under 18 years	30.3%	3.6	(X)	(X)
With related children under 5 years only	47.3%	9.7	(X)	(X)
All people	9.1%	0.6	(X)	(X)
Under 18 years	12.4%	1.4	(X)	(X)
Related children under 18 years	12.1%	1.4	(X)	(X)
Related children under 5 years	16.0%	2.2	(X)	(X)
Related children 5 to 17 years	10.4%	1.4	(X)	(X)
18 years and over	7.9%	0.5	(X)	(X)
18 to 64 years	8.2%	0.5	(X)	(X)
65 years and over	6.6%	0.8	(X)	(X)
People in families	7.0%	0.7	(X)	(X)
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	18.5%	1.1	(X)	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2008 American Community Survey

Selected Housing Characteristics: 2006-2008  
 Data Set: 2006-2008 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates  
 Survey: American Community Survey  
 Geographic Area: Des Moines-West Des Moines, IA Metropolitan Statistical Area

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Selected Housing	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>231,429</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>231,429</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Occupied housing units	214,588	1,688	92.7%	0.6
Vacant housing units	16,841	1,379	7.3%	0.6
Homeowner vacancy rate	2.3	0.4	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	6.5	1.3	(X)	(X)
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>231,429</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>231,429</b>	<b>(X)</b>
1-unit, detached	156,145	1,718	67.5%	0.7
1-unit, attached	16,065	936	6.9%	0.4
2 units	4,055	633	1.8%	0.3
3 or 4 units	5,215	614	2.3%	0.3
5 to 9 units	9,486	936	4.1%	0.4
10 to 19 units	12,449	1,121	5.4%	0.5
20 or more units	20,960	1,047	9.1%	0.4
Mobile home	6,980	639	3.0%	0.3
Boat, RV, van, etc.	74	71	0.0%	0.1
<b>YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>231,429</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>231,429</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Built 2005 or later	11,355	806	4.9%	0.3
Built 2000 to 2004	24,492	1,238	10.6%	0.5
Built 1990 to 1999	33,883	1,502	14.6%	0.7
Built 1980 to 1989	22,350	1,376	9.7%	0.6
Built 1970 to 1979	36,303	1,487	15.7%	0.6
Built 1960 to 1969	23,278	1,044	10.1%	0.5
Built 1950 to 1959	25,140	1,158	10.9%	0.5
Built 1940 to 1949	12,455	902	5.4%	0.4
Built 1939 or earlier	42,173	1,186	18.2%	0.5
<b>ROOMS</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>231,429</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>231,429</b>	<b>(X)</b>
1 room	3,839	632	1.7%	0.3
2 rooms	6,127	679	2.6%	0.3

3 rooms	18,134	1,014	7.8%	0.4
4 rooms	41,608	1,630	18.0%	0.7
5 rooms	43,226	1,583	18.7%	0.7
6 rooms	38,471	1,465	16.6%	0.6
7 rooms	28,656	1,213	12.4%	0.5
8 rooms	22,655	1,162	9.8%	0.5
9 rooms or more	28,713	1,169	12.4%	0.5
Median rooms	5.6	0.1	(X)	(X)
<b>BEDROOMS</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>231,429</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>231,429</b>	<b>(X)</b>
No bedroom	5,165	635	2.2%	0.3
1 bedroom	20,659	1,067	8.9%	0.5
2 bedrooms	71,226	1,860	30.8%	0.8
3 bedrooms	86,949	1,697	37.6%	0.7
4 bedrooms	38,936	1,505	16.8%	0.6
5 or more bedrooms	8,494	700	3.7%	0.3
<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>1,688</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Owner-occupied	157,353	1,670	73.3%	0.7
Renter-occupied	57,235	1,711	26.7%	0.7
<b>AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE</b>				
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.64	0.02	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.08	0.05	(X)	(X)
<b>YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>1,688</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Moved in 2005 or later	70,992	1,790	33.1%	0.8
Moved in 2000 to 2004	57,833	1,555	27.0%	0.7
Moved in 1990 to 1999	45,232	1,269	21.1%	0.6
Moved in 1980 to 1989	16,918	740	7.9%	0.3
Moved in 1970 to 1979	12,070	739	5.6%	0.3
Moved in 1969 or earlier	11,543	639	5.4%	0.3
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>1,688</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>(X)</b>
No vehicles available	11,061	979	5.2%	0.4
1 vehicle available	65,678	1,817	30.6%	0.8
2 vehicles available	90,482	2,380	42.2%	1
3 or more vehicles available	47,367	1,500	22.1%	0.7
<b>HOUSE HEATING FUEL</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>1,688</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>(X)</b>

Utility gas	157,460	1,875	73.4%	0.8
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	13,790	685	6.4%	0.3
Electricity	38,535	1,586	18.0%	0.7
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	436	163	0.2%	0.1
Coal or coke	0	127	0.0%	0.1
Wood	1,182	284	0.6%	0.1
Solar energy	5	9	0.0%	0.1
Other fuel	1,954	450	0.9%	0.2
No fuel used	1,226	392	0.6%	0.2
<b>SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>1,688</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	503	212	0.2%	0.1
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	873	270	0.4%	0.1
No telephone service available	6,788	811	3.2%	0.4
<b>OCCUPANTS PER ROOM</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>1,688</b>	<b>214,588</b>	<b>(X)</b>
1.00 or less	210,592	1,823	98.1%	0.3
1.01 to 1.50	3,051	585	1.4%	0.3
1.51 or more	945	277	0.4%	0.1
<b>VALUE</b>				
<b>Owner-occupied units</b>	<b>157,353</b>	<b>1,670</b>	<b>157,353</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$50,000	8,337	647	5.3%	0.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	24,590	1,191	15.6%	0.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	44,970	1,356	28.6%	0.8
\$150,000 to \$199,999	35,862	1,289	22.8%	0.8
\$200,000 to \$299,999	27,272	968	17.3%	0.6
\$300,000 to \$499,999	12,549	782	8.0%	0.5
\$500,000 to \$999,999	3,361	422	2.1%	0.3
\$1,000,000 or more	412	131	0.3%	0.1
Median (dollars)	150,900	1,793	(X)	(X)
<b>MORTGAGE STATUS</b>				
<b>Owner-occupied units</b>	<b>157,353</b>	<b>1,670</b>	<b>157,353</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Housing units with a mortgage	117,669	1,518	74.8%	0.8
Housing units without a mortgage	39,684	1,379	25.2%	0.8
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)</b>				
<b>Housing units with a mortgage</b>	<b>117,669</b>	<b>1,518</b>	<b>117,669</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$300	231	121	0.2%	0.1
\$300 to \$499	2,007	391	1.7%	0.3

\$500 to \$699	4,441	500	3.8%	0.4
\$700 to \$999	18,765	1,034	15.9%	0.8
\$1,000 to \$1,499	46,239	1,482	39.3%	1.2
\$1,500 to \$1,999	26,298	1,103	22.3%	0.9
\$2,000 or more	19,688	1,036	16.7%	0.9
Median (dollars)	1,354	13	(X)	(X)
<b>Housing units without a mortgage</b>				
	<b>39,684</b>	<b>1,379</b>	<b>39,684</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$100	164	94	0.4%	0.2
\$100 to \$199	860	227	2.2%	0.6
\$200 to \$299	4,484	511	11.3%	1.2
\$300 to \$399	8,974	684	22.6%	1.6
\$400 or more	25,202	1,139	63.5%	1.8
Median (dollars)	456	7	(X)	(X)
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAPI)</b>				
<b>Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)</b>				
	<b>117,536</b>	<b>1,523</b>	<b>117,536</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 20.0 percent	49,185	1,495	41.8%	1.2
20.0 to 24.9 percent	22,410	1,122	19.1%	0.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	15,135	889	12.9%	0.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	9,401	786	8.0%	0.7
35.0 percent or more	21,405	1,140	18.2%	0.9
Not computed	133	94	(X)	(X)
<b>Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)</b>				
	<b>39,505</b>	<b>1,363</b>	<b>39,505</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 10.0 percent	15,178	915	38.4%	1.8
10.0 to 14.9 percent	7,821	560	19.8%	1.3
15.0 to 19.9 percent	5,339	534	13.5%	1.3
20.0 to 24.9 percent	3,657	528	9.3%	1.2
25.0 to 29.9 percent	2,070	354	5.2%	0.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,348	278	3.4%	0.7
35.0 percent or more	4,092	502	10.4%	1.2
Not computed	179	115	(X)	(X)
<b>GROSS RENT</b>				
<b>Occupied units paying rent</b>	<b>54,275</b>	<b>1,675</b>	<b>54,275</b>	<b>(X)</b>

Less than \$200	1,240	330	2.3%	0.6
\$200 to \$299	1,578	382	2.9%	0.7
\$300 to \$499	6,419	717	11.8%	1.3
\$500 to \$749	22,625	1,165	41.7%	2
\$750 to \$999	14,339	1,170	26.4%	1.9
\$1,000 to \$1,499	6,652	858	12.3%	1.4
\$1,500 or more	1,422	295	2.6%	0.5
Median (dollars)	700	10	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	2,960	468	(X)	(X)
<b>GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)</b>				
<b>Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)</b>	<b>53,445</b>	<b>1,666</b>	<b>53,445</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 15.0 percent	7,442	716	13.9%	1.3
15.0 to 19.9 percent	8,067	848	15.1%	1.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	6,919	827	12.9%	1.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	7,105	948	13.3%	1.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	4,704	667	8.8%	1.2
35.0 percent or more	19,208	1,248	35.9%	2.1
Not computed	3,790	597	(X)	(X)

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ACS Demographic	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Male	266,685	353	48.9%	0.1
Female	278,834	353	51.1%	0.1
Under 5 years	42,421	222	7.8%	0.1
5 to 9 years	39,852	1,178	7.3%	0.2
10 to 14 years	37,962	1,171	7.0%	0.2
15 to 19 years	35,187	391	6.5%	0.1
20 to 24 years	33,771	427	6.2%	0.1
25 to 34 years	77,868	310	14.3%	0.1
35 to 44 years	82,123	322	15.1%	0.1
45 to 54 years	78,790	247	14.4%	0.1
55 to 59 years	32,831	959	6.0%	0.2
60 to 64 years	23,656	959	4.3%	0.2
65 to 74 years	31,317	251	5.7%	0.1
75 to 84 years	20,980	621	3.8%	0.1
85 years and over	8,761	608	1.6%	0.1
Median age (years)	35.7	0.1	(X)	(X)
18 years and over	402,605	159	73.8%	0.1
21 years and over	383,788	738	70.4%	0.1
62 years and over	74,033	776	13.6%	0.1
65 years and over	61,058	212	11.2%	0.1
<b>18 years and over</b>	<b>402,605</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>402,605</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Male	193,804	183	48.1%	0.1
Female	208,801	145	51.9%	0.1
<b>65 years and over</b>	<b>61,058</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>61,058</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Male	25,136	62	41.2%	0.2
Female	35,922	205	58.8%	0.2
<b>RACE</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>(X)</b>
One race	536,816	1,270	98.4%	0.2
Two or more races	8,703	1,270	1.6%	0.2
One race	536,816	1,270	98.4%	0.2
White	484,528	1,665	88.8%	0.3
Black or African American	22,404	852	4.1%	0.2
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,065	259	0.2%	0.1

Cherokee tribal grouping	239	163	0.0%	0.1
Chippewa tribal grouping	15	20	0.0%	0.1
Navajo tribal grouping	20	27	0.0%	0.1
Sioux tribal grouping	120	89	0.0%	0.1
Asian	14,546	618	2.7%	0.1
Asian Indian	2,905	609	0.5%	0.1
Chinese	1,570	397	0.3%	0.1
Filipino	611	336	0.1%	0.1
Japanese	312	289	0.1%	0.1
Korean	1,543	636	0.3%	0.1
Vietnamese	3,947	864	0.7%	0.2
Other Asian	3,658	882	0.7%	0.2
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	172	166	0.0%	0.1
Native Hawaiian	N	N	N	N
Guamanian or Chamorro	N	N	N	N
Samoan	N	N	N	N
Other Pacific Islander	N	N	N	N
Some other race	14,101	1,529	2.6%	0.3
Two or more races	8,703	1,270	1.6%	0.2
White and Black or African American	3,239	746	0.6%	0.1
White and American Indian and Alaska Native	1,893	252	0.3%	0.1
White and Asian	1,123	387	0.2%	0.1
Black or African American and American Indian and Alaska Native	149	123	0.0%	0.1
<b>Race alone or in combination with one or more other races</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>(X)</b>
White	492,601	1,858	90.3%	0.3
Black or African American	26,298	289	4.8%	0.1
American Indian and Alaska Native	3,411	435	0.6%	0.1
Asian	16,201	479	3.0%	0.1
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	308	219	0.1%	0.1
Some other race	15,927	1,616	2.9%	0.3
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>545,519</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	31,305	95	5.7%	0.1
Mexican	24,177	1,073	4.4%	0.2

Puerto Rican	422	214	0.1%	0.1
Cuban	240	128	0.0%	0.1
Other Hispanic or Latino	6,466	1,074	1.2%	0.2
Not Hispanic or Latino	514,214	95	94.3%	0.1
White alone	469,296	277	86.0%	0.1
Black or African American alone	22,171	841	4.1%	0.2
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	862	229	0.2%	0.1
Asian alone	14,196	501	2.6%	0.1
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	172	166	0.0%	0.1
Some other race alone	584	244	0.1%	0.1
Two or more races	6,933	1,010	1.3%	0.2
Two races including Some other race	400	214	0.1%	0.1
Two races excluding Some other race, and Three or more races	6,533	980	1.2%	0.2
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>231,429</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>

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