

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: West Des Moines city, Iowa

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Selected Social	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
<b>HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE</b>				
<b>Total households</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Family households (families)	13,485	521	58.3%	2.3
With own children under 18 years	6,876	470	29.7%	2
Married-couple family	10,738	561	46.4%	2.6
With own children under 18 years	4,972	400	21.5%	1.8
Male householder, no wife present, family	759	278	3.3%	1.2
With own children under 18 years	455	202	2.0%	0.9
Female householder, no husband present, family	1,988	376	8.6%	1.6
With own children under 18 years	1,449	311	6.3%	1.3
Nonfamily households	9,651	670	41.7%	2.3
Householder living alone	7,550	680	32.6%	2.6
65 years and over	2,055	356	8.9%	1.5
Households with one or more people under 18 years	7,212	489	31.2%	2.2
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	3,966	323	17.1%	1.4
Average household size	2.32	0.06	(X)	(X)
Average family size	2.98	0.07	(X)	(X)
<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>				
<b>Population in households</b>	<b>53,751</b>	<b>1,629</b>	<b>53,751</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Householder	23,136	604	43.0%	1.2
Spouse	10,661	556	19.8%	1
Child	14,889	983	27.7%	1.3
Other relatives	1,181	501	2.2%	0.9
Nonrelatives	3,884	809	7.2%	1.4

Unmarried partner	1,512	328	2.8%	0.6
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>				
<b>Males 15 years and over</b>	<b>20,586</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>20,586</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Never married	6,910	879	33.6%	3.1
Now married, except separated	11,292	595	54.9%	2.9
Separated	110	82	0.5%	0.4
Widowed	235	104	1.1%	0.5
Divorced	2,039	527	9.9%	2.6
<b>Females 15 years and over</b>				
<b>Females 15 years and over</b>	<b>22,194</b>	<b>804</b>	<b>22,194</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Never married	6,281	627	28.3%	2.5
Now married, except separated	11,010	579	49.6%	2.9
Separated	260	133	1.2%	0.6
Widowed	1,557	339	7.0%	1.5
Divorced	3,086	528	13.9%	2.2
<b>FERTILITY</b>				
<b>Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	126	78	18.4%	9.4
Per 1,000 unmarried women	17	10	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	46	14	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	12	22	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	86	28	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	14	13	(X)	(X)
<b>GRANDPARENTS</b>				
<b>Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Responsible for grandchildren	N	N	N	N
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	N	N	N	N
1 or 2 years	N	N	N	N
3 or 4 years	N	N	N	N
5 or more years	N	N	N	N

<b>Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Who are female	N	N	N	N
Who are married	N	N	N	N
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>				
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>	<b>14,229</b>	<b>1,078</b>	<b>14,229</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Nursery school, preschool	1,051	250	7.4%	1.7
Kindergarten	675	239	4.7%	1.7
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	5,800	710	40.8%	3.3
High school (grades 9-12)	3,078	463	21.6%	3.2
College or graduate school	3,625	549	25.5%	3.1
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>				
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>	<b>35,664</b>	<b>1,152</b>	<b>35,664</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 9th grade	727	329	2.0%	0.9
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	878	330	2.5%	0.9
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	6,712	801	18.8%	2.1
Some college, no degree	6,858	720	19.2%	2
Associate's degree	3,283	563	9.2%	1.6
Bachelor's degree	11,890	886	33.3%	2.2
Graduate or professional degree	5,316	692	14.9%	1.9
Percent high school graduate or higher	95.5%	1.4	(X)	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	48.2%	2.5	(X)	(X)
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>				
<b>Civilian population 18 years and over</b>	<b>40,595</b>	<b>1,290</b>	<b>40,595</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Civilian veterans	3,689	546	9.1%	1.3
<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>53,071</b>	<b>1,634</b>	<b>53,071</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Same house	42,334	1,779	79.8%	2.4
Different house in the U.S.	10,475	1,322	19.7%	2.4
Same county	4,623	1,120	8.7%	2.1
Different county	5,852	932	11.0%	1.7
Same state	4,041	775	7.6%	1.4
Different state	1,811	596	3.4%	1.1
Abroad	262	132	0.5%	0.2
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Native	49,550	1,620	91.9%	1.7
Born in United States	49,051	1,630	91.0%	1.7
State of residence	34,434	1,562	63.9%	2.2
Different state	14,617	1,038	27.1%	1.8
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	499	206	0.9%	0.4
Foreign born	4,339	949	8.1%	1.7
<b>U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS</b>				
<b>Foreign-born population</b>	<b>4,339</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>4,339</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Naturalized U.S. citizen	1,919	640	44.2%	10.1
Not a U.S. citizen	2,420	631	55.8%	10.1
<b>YEAR OF ENTRY</b>				
<b>Population born outside the United States</b>	<b>4,838</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>4,838</b>	<b>(X)</b>
<b>Native</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Entered 2000 or later	42	49	8.4%	9.9
Entered before 2000	457	200	91.6%	9.9
<b>Foreign born</b>	<b>4,339</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>4,339</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Entered 2000 or later	1,201	382	27.7%	8.2
Entered before 2000	3,138	841	72.3%	8.2

<b>WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN</b>				
<b>Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Europe	N	N	N	N
Asia	N	N	N	N
Africa	N	N	N	N
Oceania	N	N	N	N
Latin America	N	N	N	N
Northern America	N	N	N	N
<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME</b>				
<b>Population 5 years and over</b>	<b>49,954</b>	<b>1,541</b>	<b>49,954</b>	<b>(X)</b>
English only	44,873	1,434	89.8%	1.9
Language other than English	5,081	1,006	10.2%	1.9
Speak English less than "very well"	1,492	582	3.0%	1.1
Spanish	1,594	496	3.2%	1
Speak English less than "very well"	421	283	0.8%	0.6
Other Indo-European languages	1,876	812	3.8%	1.6
Speak English less than "very well"	703	428	1.4%	0.8
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	1,371	523	2.7%	1
Speak English less than "very well"	368	247	0.7%	0.5
Other languages	240	144	0.5%	0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	0	127	0.0%	0.1
<b>ANCESTRY</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>(X)</b>
American	2,225	586	4.1%	1.1
Arab	137	167	0.3%	0.3
Czech	549	249	1.0%	0.5
Danish	766	297	1.4%	0.6
Dutch	2,350	596	4.4%	1.1
English	6,315	803	11.7%	1.5
French (except Basque)	1,122	343	2.1%	0.6
French Canadian	176	151	0.3%	0.3
German	18,338	1,333	34.0%	2.4
Greek	190	142	0.4%	0.3
Hungarian	103	81	0.2%	0.2
Irish	9,185	1,247	17.0%	2.3

Italian	2,751	769	5.1%	1.4
Lithuanian	201	172	0.4%	0.3
Norwegian	2,842	540	5.3%	1
Polish	893	308	1.7%	0.6
Portuguese	0	127	0.0%	0.1
Russian	491	239	0.9%	0.4
Scotch-Irish	1,082	389	2.0%	0.7
Scottish	1,032	342	1.9%	0.6
Slovak	79	129	0.1%	0.2
Subsaharan African	140	136	0.3%	0.3
Swedish	1,617	391	3.0%	0.7
Swiss	184	135	0.3%	0.2
Ukrainian	0	127	0.0%	0.1
Welsh	701	284	1.3%	0.5
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	67	109	0.1%	0.2

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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>42,009</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>42,009</b>	<b>(X)</b>
In labor force	32,246	1,300	76.8%	2.1
Civilian labor force	32,205	1,312	76.7%	2.1
Employed	30,975	1,253	73.7%	2.2
Unemployed	1,230	408	2.9%	1
Armed Forces	41	49	0.1%	0.1
Not in labor force	9,763	978	23.2%	2.1
<b>Civilian labor force</b>				
<b>Civilian labor force</b>	<b>32,205</b>	<b>1,312</b>	<b>32,205</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Percent Unemployed	3.8%	1.2	(X)	(X)
<b>Females 16 years and over</b>				
<b>Females 16 years and over</b>	<b>21,760</b>	<b>766</b>	<b>21,760</b>	<b>(X)</b>
In labor force	15,733	725	72.3%	2.8
Civilian labor force	15,733	725	72.3%	2.8
Employed	15,319	748	70.4%	2.9
<b>Own children under 6 years</b>				
<b>Own children under 6 years</b>	<b>4,239</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>4,239</b>	<b>(X)</b>
All parents in family in labor force	3,178	578	75.0%	6.5
<b>Own children 6 to 17 years</b>				
<b>Own children 6 to 17 years</b>	<b>8,339</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>8,339</b>	<b>(X)</b>
All parents in family in labor force	6,593	745	79.1%	5.5
<b>COMMUTING TO WORK</b>				
<b>Workers 16 years and over</b>	<b>30,309</b>	<b>1,236</b>	<b>30,309</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	26,314	1,257	86.8%	2
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	1,672	390	5.5%	1.3
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	356	155	1.2%	0.5
Walked	480	306	1.6%	1
Other means	260	190	0.9%	0.6
Worked at home	1,227	297	4.0%	1

Mean travel time to work (minutes)	16.3	0.7	(X)	(X)
<b>OCCUPATION</b>				
<b>Civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>	<b>30,975</b>	<b>1,253</b>	<b>30,975</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Management, professional, and related occupations	14,394	1,002	46.5%	2.3
Service occupations	3,696	587	11.9%	1.9
Sales and office occupations	9,753	773	31.5%	2.3
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	80	99	0.3%	0.3
Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair occupations	1,308	365	4.2%	1.1
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	1,744	428	5.6%	1.4
<b>INDUSTRY</b>				
<b>Civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>	<b>30,975</b>	<b>1,253</b>	<b>30,975</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	204	137	0.7%	0.4
Construction	1,139	313	3.7%	1
Manufacturing	1,579	419	5.1%	1.4
Wholesale trade	1,236	325	4.0%	1
Retail trade	3,717	598	12.0%	1.9
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	728	246	2.4%	0.8
Information	1,016	258	3.3%	0.8
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	7,022	790	22.7%	2.2
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	3,585	553	11.6%	1.8
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	6,492	896	21.0%	2.7
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation, and food services	2,335	537	7.5%	1.7
Other services, except public administration	1,097	279	3.5%	0.9
Public administration	825	217	2.7%	0.7



<b>CLASS OF WORKER</b>				
<b>Civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>	<b>30,975</b>	<b>1,253</b>	<b>30,975</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Private wage and salary workers	26,740	1,224	86.3%	1.8
Government workers	2,939	470	9.5%	1.5
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	1,271	326	4.1%	1
Unpaid family workers	25	42	0.1%	0.1
<b>INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2008 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)</b>				
<b>Total households</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$10,000	918	311	4.0%	1.3
\$10,000 to \$14,999	763	244	3.3%	1.1
\$15,000 to \$24,999	1,692	358	7.3%	1.5
\$25,000 to \$34,999	2,240	435	9.7%	1.9
\$35,000 to \$49,999	3,686	436	15.9%	1.8
\$50,000 to \$74,999	4,224	480	18.3%	2.1
\$75,000 to \$99,999	3,387	533	14.6%	2.3
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3,659	447	15.8%	1.9
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,220	320	5.3%	1.4
\$200,000 or more	1,347	264	5.8%	1.1
Median household income (dollars)	61,781	3,141	(X)	(X)
Mean household income (dollars)	84,696	4,322	(X)	(X)
With earnings	20,104	687	86.9%	1.7
Mean earnings (dollars)	83,251	4,640	(X)	(X)
With Social Security	4,401	375	19.0%	1.7
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	17,248	1,328	(X)	(X)
With retirement income	2,755	411	11.9%	1.8
Mean retirement income (dollars)	19,787	4,471	(X)	(X)
With Supplemental Security Income	269	183	1.2%	0.8
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	12,981	4,236	(X)	(X)
With cash public assistance income	233	125	1.0%	0.5
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	5,378	2,371	(X)	(X)
With Food Stamp benefits in the past 12 months	940	335	4.1%	1.4

<b>Families</b>	<b>13,485</b>	<b>521</b>	<b>13,485</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$10,000	281	188	2.1%	1.4
\$10,000 to \$14,999	332	159	2.5%	1.2
\$15,000 to \$24,999	367	155	2.7%	1.1
\$25,000 to \$34,999	715	258	5.3%	1.9
\$35,000 to \$49,999	1,596	317	11.8%	2.2
\$50,000 to \$74,999	2,276	331	16.9%	2.4
\$75,000 to \$99,999	2,655	507	19.7%	3.6
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3,096	426	23.0%	3.1
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,070	282	7.9%	2.1
\$200,000 or more	1,097	249	8.1%	1.9
Median family income (dollars)	83,800	4,013	(X)	(X)
Mean family income (dollars)	106,511	7,036	(X)	(X)
Per capita income (dollars)	36,943	1,907	(X)	(X)
<b>Nonfamily households</b>	<b>9,651</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>9,651</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	41,328	4,251	(X)	(X)
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	52,986	5,028	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for workers (dollars)	35,650	1,659	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for male full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	53,514	4,264	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for female full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	41,098	2,887	(X)	(X)
<b>PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL</b>				
All families	4.6%	1.7	(X)	(X)
With related children under 18 years	6.0%	2.3	(X)	(X)
With related children under 5 years only	7.9%	5.6	(X)	(X)
Married couple families	2.1%	1.5	(X)	(X)
With related children under 18 years	1.6%	1.4	(X)	(X)
With related children under 5 years only	2.4%	3	(X)	(X)
Families with female householder, no husband present	12.8%	6.9	(X)	(X)

With related children under 18 years	15.2%	8.9	(X)	(X)
With related children under 5 years only	32.9%	34.6	(X)	(X)
All people	7.5%	1.5	(X)	(X)
Under 18 years	7.5%	3.1	(X)	(X)
Related children under 18 years	7.5%	3.1	(X)	(X)
Related children under 5 years	9.9%	5.3	(X)	(X)
Related children 5 to 17 years	6.5%	3.6	(X)	(X)
18 years and over	7.5%	1.6	(X)	(X)
18 to 64 years	8.0%	1.8	(X)	(X)
65 years and over	4.0%	2	(X)	(X)
People in families	5.3%	1.9	(X)	(X)
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	14.2%	3	(X)	(X)

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<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>24,822</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>24,822</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Occupied housing units	23,136	604	93.2%	1.9
Vacant housing units	1,686	486	6.8%	1.9
Homeowner vacancy rate	0.6	0.7	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	11.7	4.5	(X)	(X)
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>24,822</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>24,822</b>	<b>(X)</b>
1-unit, detached	11,702	555	47.1%	2.2
1-unit, attached	2,944	379	11.9%	1.6
2 units	91	69	0.4%	0.3
3 or 4 units	466	181	1.9%	0.7
5 to 9 units	1,555	360	6.3%	1.5
10 to 19 units	3,636	668	14.6%	2.6
20 or more units	4,170	545	16.8%	2.1
Mobile home	258	110	1.0%	0.4
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	127	0.0%	0.2
<b>YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>24,822</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>24,822</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Built 2005 or later	663	183	2.7%	0.7
Built 2000 to 2004	3,057	403	12.3%	1.6
Built 1990 to 1999	7,186	614	29.0%	2.5
Built 1980 to 1989	4,668	484	18.8%	2
Built 1970 to 1979	4,272	530	17.2%	2.1
Built 1960 to 1969	1,793	386	7.2%	1.6
Built 1950 to 1959	1,834	396	7.4%	1.6
Built 1940 to 1949	459	200	1.8%	0.8
Built 1939 or earlier	890	245	3.6%	1
<b>ROOMS</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>24,822</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>24,822</b>	<b>(X)</b>
1 room	720	351	2.9%	1.4
2 rooms	700	283	2.8%	1.1

3 rooms	2,846	403	11.5%	1.6
4 rooms	4,869	646	19.6%	2.6
5 rooms	3,611	637	14.5%	2.5
6 rooms	3,162	428	12.7%	1.7
7 rooms	2,781	373	11.2%	1.5
8 rooms	2,392	364	9.6%	1.4
9 rooms or more	3,741	393	15.1%	1.6
Median rooms	5.4	0.2	(X)	(X)
<b>BEDROOMS</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>24,822</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>24,822</b>	<b>(X)</b>
No bedroom	720	351	2.9%	1.4
1 bedroom	2,418	371	9.7%	1.5
2 bedrooms	8,845	620	35.6%	2.3
3 bedrooms	7,437	667	30.0%	2.7
4 bedrooms	4,281	456	17.2%	1.9
5 or more bedrooms	1,121	235	4.5%	0.9
<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Owner-occupied	15,252	631	65.9%	2.4
Renter-occupied	7,884	628	34.1%	2.4
<b>AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE</b>				
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.49	0.08	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.01	0.13	(X)	(X)
<b>YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Moved in 2005 or later	8,861	718	38.3%	2.6
Moved in 2000 to 2004	6,472	578	28.0%	2.4
Moved in 1990 to 1999	5,143	501	22.2%	2.3
Moved in 1980 to 1989	1,238	252	5.4%	1.1
Moved in 1970 to 1979	739	185	3.2%	0.8
Moved in 1969 or earlier	683	188	3.0%	0.8
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>(X)</b>
No vehicles available	999	329	4.3%	1.4
1 vehicle available	8,816	725	38.1%	2.9
2 vehicles available	9,829	722	42.5%	3.1
3 or more vehicles available	3,492	487	15.1%	2.1
<b>HOUSE HEATING FUEL</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>(X)</b>

Utility gas	16,297	562	70.4%	2.1
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	429	143	1.9%	0.6
Electricity	6,099	591	26.4%	2.2
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	0	127	0.0%	0.2
Coal or coke	0	127	0.0%	0.2
Wood	169	166	0.7%	0.7
Solar energy	0	127	0.0%	0.2
Other fuel	60	56	0.3%	0.2
No fuel used	82	63	0.4%	0.3
<b>SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	37	44	0.2%	0.2
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	35	42	0.2%	0.2
No telephone service available	641	230	2.8%	1
<b>OCCUPANTS PER ROOM</b>				
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>23,136</b>	<b>(X)</b>
1.00 or less	22,953	610	99.2%	0.6
1.01 to 1.50	49	53	0.2%	0.2
1.51 or more	134	132	0.6%	0.6
<b>VALUE</b>				
<b>Owner-occupied units</b>	<b>15,252</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>15,252</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$50,000	408	218	2.7%	1.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	865	254	5.7%	1.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3,594	519	23.6%	3
\$150,000 to \$199,999	4,291	462	28.1%	3
\$200,000 to \$299,999	3,947	398	25.9%	2.6
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1,455	270	9.5%	1.7
\$500,000 to \$999,999	569	154	3.7%	1
\$1,000,000 or more	123	75	0.8%	0.5
Median (dollars)	181,200	5,382	(X)	(X)
<b>MORTGAGE STATUS</b>				
<b>Owner-occupied units</b>	<b>15,252</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>15,252</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Housing units with a mortgage	11,379	612	74.6%	2.7
Housing units without a mortgage	3,873	445	25.4%	2.7
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)</b>				
<b>Housing units with a mortgage</b>	<b>11,379</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>11,379</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$300	0	127	0.0%	0.3
\$300 to \$499	187	153	1.6%	1.3

\$500 to \$699	179	99	1.6%	0.9
\$700 to \$999	1,333	418	11.7%	3.4
\$1,000 to \$1,499	3,978	464	35.0%	3.7
\$1,500 to \$1,999	3,259	370	28.6%	3.3
\$2,000 or more	2,443	343	21.5%	2.9
Median (dollars)	1,502	52	(X)	(X)
<b>Housing units without a mortgage</b>				
	<b>3,873</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>3,873</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$100	21	33	0.5%	0.9
\$100 to \$199	55	54	1.4%	1.4
\$200 to \$299	253	132	6.5%	3.3
\$300 to \$399	774	236	20.0%	5.3
\$400 or more	2,770	352	71.5%	5.1
Median (dollars)	498	29	(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>11,379</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>11,379</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 20.0 percent	4,940	460	43.4%	3.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	2,085	327	18.3%	2.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,336	294	11.7%	2.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,017	244	8.9%	2
35.0 percent or more	2,001	392	17.6%	3.2
Not computed	0	127	(X)	(X)
<b>Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)</b>				
	<b>3,873</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>3,873</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 10.0 percent	1,739	315	44.9%	6.3
10.0 to 14.9 percent	786	208	20.3%	4.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	470	191	12.1%	4.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	231	112	6.0%	2.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	184	108	4.8%	2.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	144	90	3.7%	2.3
35.0 percent or more	319	149	8.2%	3.8
Not computed	0	127	(X)	(X)
<b>GROSS RENT</b>				
<b>Occupied units paying rent</b>	<b>7,825</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>7,825</b>	<b>(X)</b>

Less than \$200	46	38	0.6%	0.5
\$200 to \$299	74	121	0.9%	1.5
\$300 to \$499	421	234	5.4%	2.9
\$500 to \$749	2,949	454	37.7%	5.1
\$750 to \$999	2,960	440	37.8%	4.9
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,208	309	15.4%	3.8
\$1,500 or more	167	105	2.1%	1.3
Median (dollars)	782	29	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	59	58	(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>7,724</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>7,724</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 15.0 percent	1,076	270	13.9%	3.4
15.0 to 19.9 percent	1,605	344	20.8%	4.3
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,328	384	17.2%	4.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	957	303	12.4%	4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	596	233	7.7%	2.9
35.0 percent or more	2,162	438	28.0%	4.9
Not computed	160	112	(X)	(X)

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ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates: 2006-2008  
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ACS Demographic	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Male	26,487	1,168	49.2%	1.5
Female	27,402	1,124	50.8%	1.5
Under 5 years	3,935	587	7.3%	1
5 to 9 years	3,304	521	6.1%	0.9
10 to 14 years	3,870	529	7.2%	0.9
15 to 19 years	3,279	534	6.1%	1
20 to 24 years	3,837	644	7.1%	1.2
25 to 34 years	8,738	819	16.2%	1.4
35 to 44 years	8,816	753	16.4%	1.2
45 to 54 years	7,684	602	14.3%	1.2
55 to 59 years	2,790	382	5.2%	0.7
60 to 64 years	2,096	377	3.9%	0.7
65 to 74 years	2,742	336	5.1%	0.6
75 to 84 years	2,134	350	4.0%	0.7
85 years and over	664	240	1.2%	0.4
Median age (years)	35	1.3	(X)	(X)
18 years and over	40,636	1,274	75.4%	1.4
21 years and over	38,872	1,276	72.1%	1.5
62 years and over	6,867	575	12.7%	1.1
65 years and over	5,540	468	10.3%	0.9
<b>18 years and over</b>	<b>40,636</b>	<b>1,274</b>	<b>40,636</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Male	19,488	1,024	48.0%	1.6
Female	21,148	744	52.0%	1.6
<b>65 years and over</b>	<b>5,540</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>5,540</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Male	2,245	306	40.5%	3.9
Female	3,295	330	59.5%	3.9
<b>RACE</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>(X)</b>
One race	53,300	1,749	98.9%	0.5
Two or more races	589	289	1.1%	0.5
One race	53,300	1,749	98.9%	0.5
White	48,430	1,700	89.9%	1.6
Black or African American	1,534	577	2.8%	1.1
American Indian and Alaska Native	36	59	0.1%	0.1

Cherokee tribal grouping	N	N	N	N
Chippewa tribal grouping	N	N	N	N
Navajo tribal grouping	N	N	N	N
Sioux tribal grouping	N	N	N	N
Asian	2,560	559	4.8%	1
Asian Indian	1,263	411	2.3%	0.8
Chinese	475	290	0.9%	0.5
Filipino	151	142	0.3%	0.3
Japanese	215	280	0.4%	0.5
Korean	141	123	0.3%	0.2
Vietnamese	23	36	0.0%	0.1
Other Asian	292	298	0.5%	0.6
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0	127	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	740	382	1.4%	0.7
Two or more races	589	289	1.1%	0.5
White and Black or African American	N	N	N	N
White and American Indian and Alaska Native	N	N	N	N
White and Asian	N	N	N	N
Black or African American and American Indian and Alaska Native	N	N	N	N
<b><i>Race alone or in combination with one or more other races</i></b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>(X)</b>
White	48,965	1,610	90.9%	1.5
Black or African American	1,933	618	3.6%	1.1
American Indian and Alaska Native	N	N	N	N
Asian	2,625	559	4.9%	1
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N	N	N	N
Some other race	925	429	1.7%	0.8
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>53,889</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	2,729	671	5.1%	1.2
Mexican	N	N	N	N

Puerto Rican	N	N	N	N
Cuban	N	N	N	N
Other Hispanic or Latino	N	N	N	N
Not Hispanic or Latino	51,160	1,685	94.9%	1.2
White alone	46,660	1,714	86.6%	2
Black or African American alone	1,514	580	2.8%	1.1
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	0	127	0.0%	0.1
Asian alone	2,475	551	4.6%	1
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0	127	0.0%	0.1
Some other race alone	26	45	0.0%	0.1
Two or more races	485	266	0.9%	0.5
Two races including Some other race	52	61	0.1%	0.1
Two races excluding Some other race, and Three or more races	433	261	0.8%	0.5
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>24,822</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>

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