

Selected Social Characteristics in the United States: 2008  
 Data Set: 2008 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates  
 Survey: American Community Survey  
 Geographic Area: Polk County, Iowa

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Selected Social Characteristics in the United States	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
<b>HOUSEHOLDS BY</b>				
<b>Total households</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>2,857</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>(X)</b>
(families)	109,639	3,491	64.4%	1.7
under 18 years	55,164	2,980	32.4%	1.5
Married-couple family	86,147	3,314	50.6%	1.8
under 18 years	39,090	2,458	23.0%	1.4
wife present, family	7,877	1,522	4.6%	0.9
under 18 years	4,961	1,135	2.9%	0.7
no husband present,	15,615	2,033	9.2%	1.2
under 18 years	11,113	1,678	6.5%	1
Nonfamily households	60,583	2,911	35.6%	1.7
alone	50,111	2,815	29.4%	1.6
65 years and over	15,357	1,459	9.0%	0.8
more people under 18	57,741	3,051	33.9%	1.6
more people 65 years	34,289	1,195	20.1%	0.6
Average household size	2.44	0.04	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.06	0.07	(X)	(X)
<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>				
<b>households</b>	<b>416,053</b>	<b>2,984</b>	<b>416,053</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Householder	170,222	2,857	40.9%	0.6
Spouse	86,805	3,368	20.9%	0.8
Child	124,750	2,882	30.0%	0.7
Other relatives	13,905	2,743	3.3%	0.7
Nonrelatives	20,371	2,804	4.9%	0.7
Unmarried partner	9,183	1,658	2.2%	0.4
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>				
<b>over</b>	<b>158,164</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>158,164</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Never married	47,381	2,652	30.0%	1.7
separated	90,155	3,282	57.0%	2.1
Separated	1,581	727	1.0%	0.5
Widowed	2,434	744	1.5%	0.5
Divorced	16,613	2,097	10.5%	1.3

<b>and over</b>	<b>170,657</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>170,657</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Never married	41,840	2,257	24.5%	1.3
separated	90,985	3,777	53.3%	2.2
Separated	3,226	1,245	1.9%	0.7
Widowed	14,294	1,691	8.4%	1
Divorced	20,312	2,235	11.9%	1.3
<b>FERTILITY</b>				
<b>15 to 50 years old</b>	<b>6,701</b>	<b>1,158</b>	<b>6,701</b>	<b>(X)</b>
(widowed, divorced, and	1,828	653	27.3%	7.9
women	38	14	(X)	(X)
50 years old	63	11	(X)	(X)
to 19 years old	19	20	(X)	(X)
to 34 years old	114	21	(X)	(X)
to 50 years old	31	14	(X)	(X)
<b>GRANDPARENTS</b>				
<b>grandparents living</b>	<b>4,499</b>	<b>1,284</b>	<b>4,499</b>	<b>(X)</b>
grandchildren	2,038	835	45.3%	12.1
grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	605	438	13.4%	9.8
1 or 2 years	479	514	10.6%	10.8
3 or 4 years	159	172	3.5%	3.8
5 or more years	795	536	17.7%	10
<b>grandparents</b>				
<b>grandparents</b>	<b>2,038</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>2,038</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Who are female	1,133	486	55.6%	8.7
Who are married	1,710	755	83.9%	11.6
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
<b>and over enrolled in</b>	<b>110,749</b>	<b>2,981</b>	<b>110,749</b>	<b>(X)</b>
preschool	8,753	1,401	7.9%	1.2
Kindergarten	6,282	1,183	5.7%	1.1
(grades 1-8)	47,598	1,661	43.0%	1.7
12)	24,137	1,646	21.8%	1.5
school	23,979	2,685	21.7%	2
<b>EDUCATIONAL</b>				
<b>and over</b>	<b>276,547</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>276,547</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 9th grade	7,729	1,389	2.8%	0.5
diploma	16,397	2,239	5.9%	0.8
(includes equivalency)	71,660	4,092	25.9%	1.5
degree	61,377	3,798	22.2%	1.4
Associate's degree	27,152	2,745	9.8%	1
Bachelor's degree	66,654	3,717	24.1%	1.3
professional degree	25,578	2,203	9.2%	0.8
<b>graduate or higher</b>				
<b>graduate or higher</b>	<b>91.3%</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>
<b>degree or higher</b>	<b>33.4%</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>

<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>				
<b>18 years and over</b>	<b>310,916</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>310,916</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Civilian veterans	29,543	2,066	9.5%	0.7
<b>DISABILITY STATUS</b>				
<b>Noninstitutionalized</b>	<b>421,052</b>	<b>1,507</b>	<b>421,052</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	46,963	3,948	11.2%	0.9
<b>Under 18 years</b>				
<b>Under 18 years</b>	<b>113,041</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>113,041</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	4,744	1,177	4.2%	1
<b>18 to 64 years</b>				
<b>18 to 64 years</b>	<b>261,902</b>	<b>1,506</b>	<b>261,902</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	24,675	2,752	9.4%	1
<b>65 years and over</b>				
<b>65 years and over</b>	<b>46,109</b>	<b>1,059</b>	<b>46,109</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	17,544	1,828	38.0%	3.9
<b>RESIDENCE 1 YEAR</b>				
<b>and over</b>	<b>417,625</b>	<b>1,205</b>	<b>417,625</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Same house	337,926	6,365	80.9%	1.5
U.S.	77,160	6,239	18.5%	1.5
Same county	53,034	5,413	12.7%	1.3
Different county	24,126	4,098	5.8%	1
Same state	12,981	3,034	3.1%	0.7
Different state	11,145	2,690	2.7%	0.6
Abroad	2,539	1,405	0.6%	0.3
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Native	394,697	2,932	92.9%	0.7
Born in United States	392,104	2,923	92.3%	0.7
State of residence	293,848	4,924	69.2%	1.2
Different state	98,256	4,575	23.1%	1.1
U.S. Island areas, or	2,593	762	0.6%	0.2
Foreign born	30,081	2,932	7.1%	0.7
<b>U.S. CITIZENSHIP</b>				
<b>population</b>	<b>30,081</b>	<b>2,932</b>	<b>30,081</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Naturalized U.S. citizen	12,846	1,954	42.7%	6.3
Not a U.S. citizen	17,235	2,836	57.3%	6.3
<b>YEAR OF ENTRY</b>				
<b>outside the United</b>	<b>32,674</b>	<b>2,923</b>	<b>32,674</b>	<b>(X)</b>
<b>Native</b>				
<b>Native</b>	<b>2,593</b>	<b>762</b>	<b>2,593</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Entered 2000 or later	701	464	27.0%	14.7
Entered before 2000	1,892	611	73.0%	14.7
<b>Foreign born</b>				
<b>Foreign born</b>	<b>30,081</b>	<b>2,932</b>	<b>30,081</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Entered 2000 or later	11,863	2,965	39.4%	7.3

Entered before 2000	18,218	1,942	60.6%	7.3
<b>WORLD REGION OF</b>				
<b>population,</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</b>				
<b>and over</b>	<b>390,370</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>390,370</b>	<b>(X)</b>
English only	348,325	3,218	89.2%	0.8
English	42,045	3,218	10.8%	0.8
than "very well"	19,594	2,285	5.0%	0.6
Spanish	20,911	1,926	5.4%	0.5
than "very well"	10,032	1,587	2.6%	0.4
languages	8,233	2,050	2.1%	0.5
than "very well"	2,624	1,110	0.7%	0.3
Islander languages	9,236	1,049	2.4%	0.3
than "very well"	5,653	985	1.4%	0.3
Other languages	3,665	2,285	0.9%	0.6
than "very well"	1,285	769	0.3%	0.2
<b>ANCESTRY</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>(X)</b>
American	17,001	2,789	4.0%	0.7
Arab	1,074	798	0.3%	0.2
Czech	4,552	1,362	1.1%	0.3
Danish	8,072	1,825	1.9%	0.4
Dutch	24,723	4,392	5.8%	1
English	48,031	4,022	11.3%	0.9
French (except Basque)	9,939	1,984	2.3%	0.5
French Canadian	1,375	1,033	0.3%	0.2
German	132,660	6,626	31.2%	1.6
Greek	1,807	1,172	0.4%	0.3
Hungarian	559	414	0.1%	0.1
Irish	64,638	4,808	15.2%	1.1
Italian	18,683	3,210	4.4%	0.8
Lithuanian	889	712	0.2%	0.2
Norwegian	23,575	2,823	5.5%	0.7
Polish	5,531	1,328	1.3%	0.3
Portuguese	607	561	0.1%	0.1
Russian	1,573	716	0.4%	0.2
Scotch-Irish	4,797	1,041	1.1%	0.2
Scottish	7,927	1,336	1.9%	0.3
Slovak	335	235	0.1%	0.1
Subsaharan African	4,130	2,619	1.0%	0.6
Swedish	15,869	2,341	3.7%	0.6

Swiss	1,434	625	0.3%	0.1
Ukrainian	95	113	0.0%	0.1
Welsh	4,625	1,391	1.1%	0.3
Hispanic origin groups)	182	185	0.0%	0.1

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

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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).

·Starting in 2008, the Scotch-Irish category does not include Irish-Scotch.

·The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Accordingly, comparisons of disability data from 2008 or later with data from prior years are not recommended. For more information on these questions and their evaluation 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.

·Due to a reduction in the Failed Edit Follow-up (FEFU) operation for 4-months in 2008, there was an increase in the amount of missing data and an increase in item allocation rates. For more information see the ACS User Notes.

·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

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Selected Economic Characteristics	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>				
<b>years and over</b>	<b>322,419</b>	<b>1,058</b>	<b>322,419</b>	<b>(X)</b>
In labor force	242,677	3,663	75.3%	1.1
Civilian labor force	241,856	3,706	75.0%	1.2
Employed	232,841	4,219	72.2%	1.3
Unemployed	9,015	1,572	2.8%	0.5
Armed Forces	821	552	0.3%	0.2
Not in labor force	79,742	3,699	24.7%	1.1
<b>Civilian labor force</b>	<b>241,856</b>	<b>3,706</b>	<b>241,856</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Percent Unemployed	3.7%	0.7	(X)	(X)
<b>and over</b>	<b>167,218</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>167,218</b>	<b>(X)</b>
In labor force	117,066	2,649	70.0%	1.6
Civilian labor force	116,942	2,678	69.9%	1.6
Employed	113,475	2,748	67.9%	1.6
<b>6 years</b>	<b>38,900</b>	<b>1,327</b>	<b>38,900</b>	<b>(X)</b>
labor force	29,588	1,840	76.1%	3.8
<b>years</b>	<b>70,050</b>	<b>1,574</b>	<b>70,050</b>	<b>(X)</b>
labor force	58,016	2,556	82.8%	3.5
<b>COMMUTING TO</b>				
<b>and over</b>	<b>228,604</b>	<b>4,123</b>	<b>228,604</b>	<b>(X)</b>
drove alone	184,536	4,504	80.7%	1.4
carpooled	25,758	2,622	11.3%	1.1
(excluding taxicab)	4,717	1,035	2.1%	0.5
Walked	4,118	1,453	1.8%	0.6
Other means	1,788	602	0.8%	0.3
Worked at home	7,687	1,434	3.4%	0.6
work (minutes)	18.9	0.6	(X)	(X)
<b>OCCUPATION</b>				
<b>population 16 years</b>	<b>232,841</b>	<b>4,219</b>	<b>232,841</b>	<b>(X)</b>

professional, and	90,180	4,051	38.7%	1.7
Service occupations	32,059	3,200	13.8%	1.3
occupations	68,670	3,547	29.5%	1.3
forestry occupations	557	417	0.2%	0.2
maintenance and repair	16,458	1,968	7.1%	0.8
transportation, and	24,917	3,051	10.7%	1.3
<b>INDUSTRY</b>				
<b>population 16 years</b>	<b>232,841</b>	<b>4,219</b>	<b>232,841</b>	<b>(X)</b>
fishing and hunting, and	2,641	951	1.1%	0.4
Construction	11,516	1,983	4.9%	0.8
Manufacturing	19,281	2,410	8.3%	1
Wholesale trade	8,864	1,347	3.8%	0.6
Retail trade	26,001	2,695	11.2%	1.1
warehousing, and	10,871	1,435	4.7%	0.6
Information	7,000	1,043	3.0%	0.4
and real estate and	40,195	3,281	17.3%	1.4
and management, and	22,129	2,591	9.5%	1.1
and health care and	45,490	2,906	19.5%	1.2
recreation, and	17,910	2,249	7.7%	1
public administration	10,263	1,370	4.4%	0.6
Public administration	10,680	1,373	4.6%	0.6
<b>CLASS OF WORKER</b>				
<b>population 16 years</b>	<b>232,841</b>	<b>4,219</b>	<b>232,841</b>	<b>(X)</b>
workers	194,713	4,929	83.6%	1.2
Government workers	28,084	2,584	12.1%	1.1
in own not incorporated	9,699	1,207	4.2%	0.5
Unpaid family workers	345	398	0.1%	0.2
<b>INCOME AND</b>				
<b>Total households</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>2,857</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$10,000	9,363	1,395	5.5%	0.8
\$10,000 to \$14,999	7,559	1,415	4.4%	0.8
\$15,000 to \$24,999	17,185	1,877	10.1%	1.1
\$25,000 to \$34,999	16,216	1,717	9.5%	1
\$35,000 to \$49,999	24,002	2,129	14.1%	1.2
\$50,000 to \$74,999	34,103	2,485	20.0%	1.4
\$75,000 to \$99,999	25,625	2,257	15.1%	1.3
\$100,000 to \$149,999	22,400	2,115	13.2%	1.2
\$150,000 to \$199,999	6,879	1,280	4.0%	0.8
\$200,000 or more	6,890	1,152	4.0%	0.7
income (dollars)	56,901	1,484	(X)	(X)
(dollars)	73,075	2,360	(X)	(X)
<b>With earnings</b>				
(dollars)	143,828	3,252	84.5%	1.1
(dollars)	72,633	2,444	(X)	(X)
With Social Security	39,820	1,778	23.4%	1
income (dollars)	15,523	523	(X)	(X)
With retirement income	25,380	1,757	14.9%	1

income (dollars)	19,658	2,415	(X)	(X)
Security Income	4,026	988	2.4%	0.6
Security Income	7,768	1,209	(X)	(X)
assistance income	3,161	891	1.9%	0.5
assistance income	2,012	508	(X)	(X)
benefits in the past 12	15,690	2,085	9.2%	1.2
<b>Families</b>	<b>109,639</b>	<b>3,491</b>	<b>109,639</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$10,000	2,898	934	2.6%	0.8
\$10,000 to \$14,999	2,434	747	2.2%	0.7
\$15,000 to \$24,999	7,469	1,621	6.8%	1.4
\$25,000 to \$34,999	7,658	1,245	7.0%	1.1
\$35,000 to \$49,999	13,075	1,975	11.9%	1.7
\$50,000 to \$74,999	22,195	2,011	20.2%	1.8
\$75,000 to \$99,999	21,510	2,072	19.6%	1.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	19,983	1,860	18.2%	1.7
\$150,000 to \$199,999	6,534	1,334	6.0%	1.2
\$200,000 or more	5,883	1,069	5.4%	1
(dollars)	73,977	2,880	(X)	(X)
(dollars)	88,316	3,174	(X)	(X)
(dollars)	29,693	943	(X)	(X)
<b>households</b>	<b>60,583</b>	<b>2,911</b>	<b>60,583</b>	<b>(X)</b>
income (dollars)	32,997	1,924	(X)	(X)
(dollars)	43,189	2,453	(X)	(X)
workers (dollars)	32,665	1,177	(X)	(X)
male full-time, year-	46,503	1,692	(X)	(X)
female full-time, year-	37,045	944	(X)	(X)
<b>PERCENTAGE OF</b>				
All families	6.3%	1.4	(X)	(X)
under 18 years	9.8%	2.5	(X)	(X)
under 5 years only	15.3%	6	(X)	(X)
Married couple families	2.3%	1	(X)	(X)
under 18 years	3.1%	1.6	(X)	(X)
under 5 years only	1.0%	1.7	(X)	(X)
householder, no	24.0%	6.3	(X)	(X)
under 18 years	30.3%	7.7	(X)	(X)
under 5 years only	65.8%	15.3	(X)	(X)
All people	9.5%	1.2	(X)	(X)
Under 18 years	13.0%	3.1	(X)	(X)
18 years	12.4%	3.1	(X)	(X)
under 5 years	16.7%	4.7	(X)	(X)
17 years	10.5%	3.1	(X)	(X)
18 years and over	8.3%	0.8	(X)	(X)
18 to 64 years	8.8%	0.9	(X)	(X)



65 years and over	5.6%	1.7	(X)	(X)
People in families	7.0%	1.5	(X)	(X)
years and over	19.9%	2.1	(X)	(X)

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Notes:

·Employment and unemployment estimates may vary from the official labor force data released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics because of differences in survey design and data collection. For guidance on differences in employment and unemployment estimates from different sources go to Labor Force Guidance.

·Workers include members of the Armed Forces and civilians who were at work last week.

·The Census Bureau introduced an improved sequence of labor force questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Accordingly, we recommend using caution when making labor force data comparisons from 2008 or later with data from prior years. For more information on these questions and their evaluation in the 2006 ACS Content Test, see the "Evaluation Report Covering Employment Status" at [http://www.census.gov/acs/www/AdvMeth/content\\_test/P6a\\_Employment\\_Status.pdf](http://www.census.gov/acs/www/AdvMeth/content_test/P6a_Employment_Status.pdf), and the "Evaluation Report Covering Weeks Worked" at [http://www.census.gov/acs/www/AdvMeth/content\\_test/P6b\\_Weeks\\_Worked\\_Final\\_Report.pdf](http://www.census.gov/acs/www/AdvMeth/content_test/P6b_Weeks_Worked_Final_Report.pdf). Additional information can also be found at <http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/laborfor/laborforce.html>.

·Occupation codes are 4-digit codes and are based on Standard Occupational Classification 2000.

·Industry codes are 4-digit codes and are based on the North American Industry Classification System 2007. The Industry categories adhere to the guidelines issued in Clarification Memorandum No. 2, "NAICS Alternate Aggregation Structure for Use By U.S. Statistical Agencies," issued by the Office of Management and Budget.

·While the 2008 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2007 Office of Management and

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Selected Housing Characteristics	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
<b>HOUSING</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>182,809</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>182,809</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Occupied housing units	170,222	2,857	93.1%	1.4
Vacant housing units	12,587	2,480	6.9%	1.4
Rate	2.5	1	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	5.4	2.2	(X)	(X)
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>182,809</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>182,809</b>	<b>(X)</b>
1-unit, detached	120,219	2,270	65.8%	1.3
1-unit, attached	14,536	2,179	8.0%	1.2
2 units	3,144	824	1.7%	0.5
3 or 4 units	2,848	833	1.6%	0.5
5 to 9 units	8,466	1,574	4.6%	0.9
10 to 19 units	9,892	1,383	5.4%	0.8
20 or more units	19,063	1,757	10.4%	1
Mobile home	4,641	1,080	2.5%	0.6
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	226	0.0%	0.1
<b>YEAR STRUCTURE</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>182,809</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>182,809</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Built 2005 or later	10,580	1,321	5.8%	0.7
Built 2000 to 2004	17,953	1,924	9.8%	1.1
Built 1990 to 1999	25,022	1,888	13.7%	1
Built 1980 to 1989	18,125	2,037	9.9%	1.1
Built 1970 to 1979	28,234	2,392	15.4%	1.3
Built 1960 to 1969	20,977	2,118	11.5%	1.2
Built 1950 to 1959	19,445	2,122	10.6%	1.1
Built 1940 to 1949	9,916	1,489	5.4%	0.8
Built 1939 or earlier	32,557	2,734	17.8%	1.5
<b>ROOMS</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>182,809</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>182,809</b>	<b>(X)</b>
1 room	5,309	1,682	2.9%	0.9
2 rooms	4,506	1,096	2.5%	0.6

3 rooms	12,666	1,705	6.9%	0.9
4 rooms	37,063	2,754	20.3%	1.5
5 rooms	31,641	1,935	17.3%	1
6 rooms	28,595	2,241	15.6%	1.2
7 rooms	21,429	2,211	11.7%	1.2
8 rooms	18,637	1,619	10.2%	0.9
9 rooms or more	22,963	1,898	12.6%	1
Median rooms	5.5	0.1	(X)	(X)
<b>BEDROOMS</b>				
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>182,809</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>182,809</b>	<b>(X)</b>
No bedroom	6,867	1,848	3.8%	1
1 bedroom	16,538	1,879	9.0%	1
2 bedrooms	58,860	3,037	32.2%	1.7
3 bedrooms	65,912	2,867	36.1%	1.5
4 bedrooms	28,319	2,330	15.5%	1.3
5 or more bedrooms	6,313	982	3.5%	0.5
<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>				
<b>units</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>2,857</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Owner-occupied	121,189	2,772	71.2%	1.2
Renter-occupied	49,033	2,180	28.8%	1.2
of owner-occupied unit	2.59	0.05	(X)	(X)
of renter-occupied unit	2.08	0.08	(X)	(X)
<b>YEAR</b>				
<b>units</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>2,857</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Moved in 2005 or later	69,399	2,498	40.8%	1.4
Moved in 2000 to 2004	37,436	2,681	22.0%	1.5
Moved in 1990 to 1999	33,983	2,505	20.0%	1.4
Moved in 1980 to 1989	11,647	1,387	6.8%	0.8
Moved in 1970 to 1979	8,925	1,401	5.2%	0.8
Moved in 1969 or earlier	8,832	1,036	5.2%	0.6
<b>VEHICLES</b>				
<b>units</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>2,857</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>(X)</b>
No vehicles available	9,922	1,455	5.8%	0.8
1 vehicle available	54,589	2,898	32.1%	1.7
2 vehicles available	72,708	3,662	42.7%	1.9
available	33,003	2,170	19.4%	1.3
<b>HOUSE HEATING</b>				
<b>units</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>2,857</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Utility gas	130,172	3,109	76.5%	1.6
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	4,107	868	2.4%	0.5
Electricity	32,232	2,363	18.9%	1.3
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	124	149	0.1%	0.1
Coal or coke	0	226	0.0%	0.1
Wood	271	298	0.2%	0.2

Solar energy	0	226	0.0%	0.1
Other fuel	1,096	623	0.6%	0.4
No fuel used	2,220	823	1.3%	0.5
<b>SELECTED</b>				
<b>units</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>2,857</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>(X)</b>
plumbing facilities	341	329	0.2%	0.2
kitchen facilities	806	461	0.5%	0.3
available	985	674	0.6%	0.4
<b>OCCUPANTS PER</b>				
<b>units</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>2,857</b>	<b>170,222</b>	<b>(X)</b>
1.00 or less	166,085	2,825	97.6%	0.7
1.01 to 1.50	2,718	927	1.6%	0.5
1.51 or more	1,419	765	0.8%	0.4
<b>VALUE</b>				
<b>units</b>	<b>121,189</b>	<b>2,772</b>	<b>121,189</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$50,000	5,961	1,106	4.9%	0.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17,935	1,795	14.8%	1.5
\$100,000 to \$149,999	31,461	2,131	26.0%	1.6
\$150,000 to \$199,999	30,641	2,375	25.3%	1.8
\$200,000 to \$299,999	23,260	1,894	19.2%	1.5
\$300,000 to \$499,999	9,575	1,390	7.9%	1.1
\$500,000 to \$999,999	2,051	579	1.7%	0.5
\$1,000,000 or more	305	233	0.3%	0.2
Median (dollars)	157,300	2,578	(X)	(X)
<b>MORTGAGE STATUS</b>				
<b>units</b>	<b>121,189</b>	<b>2,772</b>	<b>121,189</b>	<b>(X)</b>
mortgage	90,940	3,008	75.0%	1.8
mortgage	30,249	2,346	25.0%	1.8
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY</b>				
<b>mortgage</b>	<b>90,940</b>	<b>3,008</b>	<b>90,940</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$300	269	204	0.3%	0.2
\$300 to \$499	1,193	477	1.3%	0.5
\$500 to \$699	3,297	866	3.6%	0.9
\$700 to \$999	13,984	1,647	15.4%	1.8
\$1,000 to \$1,499	34,915	2,133	38.4%	2
\$1,500 to \$1,999	21,737	1,907	23.9%	1.9
\$2,000 or more	15,545	1,396	17.1%	1.5
Median (dollars)	1,381	25	(X)	(X)
<b>without a mortgage</b>				
<b>without a mortgage</b>	<b>30,249</b>	<b>2,346</b>	<b>30,249</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$100	10	17	0.0%	0.1
\$100 to \$199	692	384	2.3%	1.2
\$200 to \$299	3,523	956	11.6%	3.1
\$300 to \$399	7,363	1,176	24.3%	3.5
\$400 or more	18,661	1,919	61.7%	3.9

Median (dollars)	453	16	(X)	(X)
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY</b>				
<b>mortgage (excluding</b>	<b>90,773</b>	<b>2,978</b>	<b>90,773</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 20.0 percent	37,722	2,645	41.6%	2.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	17,737	1,743	19.5%	1.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	11,863	1,829	13.1%	1.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	6,283	949	6.9%	1
35.0 percent or more	17,168	1,804	18.9%	2
Not computed	167	164	(X)	(X)
<b>a mortgage</b>				
<b>a mortgage</b>	<b>30,120</b>	<b>2,326</b>	<b>30,120</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 10.0 percent	12,845	1,394	42.6%	3.1
10.0 to 14.9 percent	5,991	957	19.9%	2.9
15.0 to 19.9 percent	3,276	684	10.9%	2.2
20.0 to 24.9 percent	3,158	845	10.5%	2.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,079	522	3.6%	1.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	783	333	2.6%	1.1
35.0 percent or more	2,988	711	9.9%	2.2
Not computed	129	154	(X)	(X)
<b>GROSS RENT</b>				
<b>paying rent</b>	<b>47,226</b>	<b>2,249</b>	<b>47,226</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than \$200	854	488	1.8%	1
\$200 to \$299	1,621	700	3.4%	1.5
\$300 to \$499	4,586	1,095	9.7%	2.4
\$500 to \$749	21,413	2,154	45.3%	3.9
\$750 to \$999	11,793	1,632	25.0%	3.2
\$1,000 to \$1,499	5,490	1,232	11.6%	2.5
\$1,500 or more	1,469	676	3.1%	1.4
Median (dollars)	697	16	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	1,807	708	(X)	(X)
<b>GROSS RENT AS A</b>				
<b>paying rent</b>	<b>46,611</b>	<b>2,235</b>	<b>46,611</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 15.0 percent	5,221	1,046	11.2%	2.2
15.0 to 19.9 percent	7,287	1,207	15.6%	2.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	6,233	1,352	13.4%	2.8
25.0 to 29.9 percent	6,705	1,306	14.4%	2.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	3,790	967	8.1%	2
35.0 percent or more	17,375	1,888	37.3%	3.6
Not computed	2,422	863	(X)	(X)

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[http://www.census.gov/acs/www/Downloads/2008/usedata/Subject\\_Definitions.pdf#page=21](http://www.census.gov/acs/www/Downloads/2008/usedata/Subject_Definitions.pdf#page=21).

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[http://www.census.gov/acs/www/Downloads/2008/usedata/Subject\\_Definitions.pdf#page=9](http://www.census.gov/acs/www/Downloads/2008/usedata/Subject_Definitions.pdf#page=9).

-Caution should be used when comparing data for Occupants per Room between 2007 and 2008. Changes made to the Rooms question involving the wording as well as the response option resulted in an inconsistency in the data. It is most noticeable as an increase in "1 room" category and as a decrease in the "2 rooms" to "6 rooms" categories. For more detailed information about these changes, see the Rooms section of the Subject Definitions at:  
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-Caution should be used when comparing data for Telephone Service Availability between 2007 and 2008. Changes made to the Telephone Service Availability question involving the structure of the question as well as including an instruction to include cell phones resulted in an inconsistency in the data. It is most noticeable as an increase in respondents answering "yes" to the

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ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Male	207,265	608	48.8%	0.1
Female	217,513	608	51.2%	0.1
Under 5 years	34,408	178	8.1%	0.1
5 to 9 years	32,065	1,990	7.5%	0.5
10 to 14 years	29,484	1,973	6.9%	0.5
15 to 19 years	26,607	631	6.3%	0.1
20 to 24 years	25,667	774	6.0%	0.2
25 to 34 years	58,438	1,054	13.8%	0.2
35 to 44 years	64,958	1,100	15.3%	0.3
45 to 54 years	60,612	927	14.3%	0.2
55 to 59 years	25,344	1,581	6.0%	0.4
60 to 64 years	19,929	1,675	4.7%	0.4
65 to 74 years	24,210	458	5.7%	0.1
75 to 84 years	16,620	1,249	3.9%	0.3
85 years and over	6,436	1,214	1.5%	0.3
Median age (years)	35.9	0.3	(X)	(X)
18 years and over	311,737	217	73.4%	0.1
21 years and over	297,158	1,208	70.0%	0.3
62 years and over	58,442	1,452	13.8%	0.3
65 years and over	47,266	621	11.1%	0.1
<b>18 years and over</b>	<b>311,737</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>311,737</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Male	149,676	360	48.0%	0.1
Female	162,061	279	52.0%	0.1
<b>65 years and over</b>	<b>47,266</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>47,266</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Male	19,249	405	40.7%	0.6
Female	28,017	397	59.3%	0.6
<b>RACE</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>(X)</b>

One race	417,965	1,668	98.4%	0.4
Two or more races	6,813	1,668	1.6%	0.4
One race	417,965	1,668	98.4%	0.4
White	368,780	2,849	86.8%	0.7
American	23,005	1,190	5.4%	0.3
Alaska Native	754	414	0.2%	0.1
grouping	N	N	N	N
grouping	N	N	N	N
grouping	N	N	N	N
Sioux tribal grouping	N	N	N	N
Asian	13,997	1,083	3.3%	0.3
Asian Indian	2,492	882	0.6%	0.2
Chinese	1,221	715	0.3%	0.2
Filipino	233	219	0.1%	0.1
Japanese	86	103	0.0%	0.1
Korean	1,375	789	0.3%	0.2
Vietnamese	4,979	1,684	1.2%	0.4
Other Asian	3,611	1,394	0.9%	0.3
Other Pacific Islander	237	365	0.1%	0.1
Native Hawaiian	N	N	N	N
Chamorro	N	N	N	N
Samoan	N	N	N	N
Islander	N	N	N	N
Some other race	11,192	2,792	2.6%	0.7
Two or more races	6,813	1,668	1.6%	0.4
African American	2,242	1,151	0.5%	0.3
Indian and Alaska	1,693	442	0.4%	0.1
White and Asian	1,045	689	0.2%	0.2
American and	92	109	0.0%	0.1
<b>combination with one</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>(X)</b>
White	375,165	3,207	88.3%	0.8
American	25,709	486	6.1%	0.1
Alaska Native	3,009	610	0.7%	0.1
Asian	15,536	928	3.7%	0.2
Other Pacific Islander	482	468	0.1%	0.1
Some other race	12,376	2,762	2.9%	0.7
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>424,778</b>	<b>(X)</b>
any race)	28,438	*****	6.7%	*****
Mexican	22,602	1,817	5.3%	0.4
Puerto Rican	364	348	0.1%	0.1
Cuban	0	226	0.0%	0.1
Latino	5,472	1,782	1.3%	0.4
Not Hispanic or Latino	396,340	*****	93.3%	*****
White alone	353,641	298	83.3%	0.1
American alone	22,866	1,189	5.4%	0.3



Alaska Native alone	667	343	0.2%	0.1
Asian alone	13,400	688	3.2%	0.2
Other Pacific Islander alone	237	365	0.1%	0.1
Two or more races	5,206	1,456	1.2%	0.3
Some other race	186	215	0.0%	0.1
Some other race,	5,020	1,443	1.2%	0.3
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>182,809</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>(X)</b>	<b>(X)</b>

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Notes:

·For more information on understanding race and Hispanic origin data, please see the Census 2000 Brief entitled, Overview of Race and Hispanic Origin, issued March 2001. (pdf format)

·The 2008 questions on Hispanic origin and race were changed from 2007 in order to make the ACS consistent with Census 2010 question wording. For a summary of questionnaire changes see [http://www.census.gov/acs/www/Downloads/ACS%20Mail%20Questionnaire%20\(2008\).pdf](http://www.census.gov/acs/www/Downloads/ACS%20Mail%20Questionnaire%20(2008).pdf). The change in estimates from 2007 to 2008 may be due to several factors including questionnaire changes, population controls, methodological changes, and therefore should be used with caution. For more information about changes in the estimates see <http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/hispanic/reports.html>.

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