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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	Transylvania County, North Carolina			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
EMPLOYMENT STATUS				
Population 16 years and over	27,901	+/-112	27,901	(X)
In labor force	14,728	+/-527	52.8%	+/-1.9
Civilian labor force	14,728	+/-527	52.8%	+/-1.9
Employed	13,605	+/-569	48.8%	+/-2.0
Unemployed	1,123	+/-277	4.0%	+/-1.0
Armed Forces	0	+/-27	0.0%	+/-0.1
Not in labor force	13,173	+/-523	47.2%	+/-1.9
Civilian labor force	14,728	+/-527	14,728	(X)
Percent Unemployed	(X)	(X)	7.6%	+/-1.9
Females 16 years and over				
In labor force	6,949	+/-407	47.8%	+/-2.7
Civilian labor force	6,949	+/-407	47.8%	+/-2.7
Employed	6,489	+/-424	44.6%	+/-2.8
Own children under 6 years				
All parents in family in labor force	1,316	+/-181	79.9%	+/-9.8
Own children 6 to 17 years				
All parents in family in labor force	2,733	+/-368	71.0%	+/-9.2
COMMUTING TO WORK				
Workers 16 years and over	13,107	+/-600	13,107	(X)
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	10,558	+/-737	80.6%	+/-3.6
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	1,424	+/-375	10.9%	+/-2.9
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	1	+/-2	0.0%	+/-0.1
Walked	370	+/-175	2.8%	+/-1.3
Other means	264	+/-155	2.0%	+/-1.2
Worked at home	490	+/-180	3.7%	+/-1.4
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	22.4	+/-1.4	(X)	(X)
OCCUPATION				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	13,605	+/-569	13,605	(X)

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Management, business, science, and arts occupations	4,018	+/-454	29.5%	+/-3.1
Service occupations	3,168	+/-409	23.3%	+/-2.8
Sales and office occupations	3,087	+/-350	22.7%	+/-2.5
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	1,999	+/-326	14.7%	+/-2.4
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	1,333	+/-300	9.8%	+/-2.1
INDUSTRY				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	13,605	+/-569	13,605	(X)
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	340	+/-143	2.5%	+/-1.1
Construction	1,606	+/-365	11.8%	+/-2.7
Manufacturing	996	+/-234	7.3%	+/-1.7
Wholesale trade	158	+/-96	1.2%	+/-0.7
Retail trade	1,367	+/-308	10.0%	+/-2.2
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	500	+/-174	3.7%	+/-1.3
Information	220	+/-113	1.6%	+/-0.8
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	845	+/-196	6.2%	+/-1.4
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	1,153	+/-325	8.5%	+/-2.4
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	3,073	+/-416	22.6%	+/-2.8
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	1,147	+/-294	8.4%	+/-2.1
Other services, except public administration	1,160	+/-339	8.5%	+/-2.4
Public administration	1,040	+/-294	7.6%	+/-2.2
CLASS OF WORKER				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	13,605	+/-569	13,605	(X)
Private wage and salary workers	10,019	+/-644	73.6%	+/-3.0
Government workers	2,396	+/-369	17.6%	+/-2.7
Self-employed in own not incorporated business workers	1,159	+/-312	8.5%	+/-2.3
Unpaid family workers	31	+/-36	0.2%	+/-0.3
INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2012 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)				
Total households	13,893	+/-514	13,893	(X)
Less than \$10,000	1,112	+/-252	8.0%	+/-1.8
\$10,000 to \$14,999	1,044	+/-259	7.5%	+/-1.8
\$15,000 to \$24,999	1,742	+/-302	12.5%	+/-2.2
\$25,000 to \$34,999	1,998	+/-390	14.4%	+/-2.7
\$35,000 to \$49,999	2,370	+/-384	17.1%	+/-2.8
\$50,000 to \$74,999	2,366	+/-338	17.0%	+/-2.3
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,604	+/-351	11.5%	+/-2.4
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,176	+/-246	8.5%	+/-1.8
\$150,000 to \$199,999	192	+/-99	1.4%	+/-0.7
\$200,000 or more	289	+/-125	2.1%	+/-0.9
Median household income (dollars)	40,678	+/-2,476	(X)	(X)
Mean household income (dollars)	54,326	+/-3,387	(X)	(X)
With earnings	9,018	+/-498	64.9%	+/-2.3
Mean earnings (dollars)	48,126	+/-4,118	(X)	(X)
With Social Security	6,757	+/-341	48.6%	+/-2.3
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	18,695	+/-863	(X)	(X)
With retirement income	4,306	+/-362	31.0%	+/-2.5
Mean retirement income (dollars)	24,344	+/-2,788	(X)	(X)
With Supplemental Security Income	391	+/-140	2.8%	+/-1.0
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	5,896	+/-1,502	(X)	(X)
With cash public assistance income	333	+/-134	2.4%	+/-1.0

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Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	1,719	+/-916	(X)	(X)
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits in the past 12 months	1,445	+/-288	10.4%	+/-2.0
Families	9,228	+/-528	9,228	(X)
Less than \$10,000	444	+/-167	4.8%	+/-1.8
\$10,000 to \$14,999	253	+/-104	2.7%	+/-1.1
\$15,000 to \$24,999	915	+/-214	9.9%	+/-2.3
\$25,000 to \$34,999	1,137	+/-281	12.3%	+/-3.0
\$35,000 to \$49,999	1,743	+/-328	18.9%	+/-3.3
\$50,000 to \$74,999	1,748	+/-290	18.9%	+/-3.0
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,493	+/-330	16.2%	+/-3.4
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,044	+/-241	11.3%	+/-2.5
\$150,000 to \$199,999	173	+/-93	1.9%	+/-1.0
\$200,000 or more	278	+/-126	3.0%	+/-1.3
Median family income (dollars)	51,374	+/-4,405	(X)	(X)
Mean family income (dollars)	65,589	+/-4,406	(X)	(X)
Per capita income (dollars)	23,908	+/-1,471	(X)	(X)
Nonfamily households	4,665	+/-442	4,665	(X)
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	24,601	+/-2,999	(X)	(X)
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	30,953	+/-3,101	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for workers (dollars)	21,417	+/-1,085	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for male full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	35,903	+/-2,775	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for female full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	30,437	+/-4,122	(X)	(X)
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE				
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	32,438	+/-123	32,438	(X)
With health insurance coverage	26,968	+/-749	83.1%	+/-2.3
With private health insurance	20,540	+/-1,064	63.3%	+/-3.3
With public coverage	14,003	+/-807	43.2%	+/-2.5
No health insurance coverage	5,470	+/-732	16.9%	+/-2.3
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	5,791	+/-92	5,791	(X)
No health insurance coverage	518	+/-264	8.9%	+/-4.5
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	18,246	+/-105	18,246	(X)
In labor force:	13,473	+/-510	13,473	(X)
Employed:	12,485	+/-540	12,485	(X)
With health insurance coverage	9,218	+/-653	73.8%	+/-3.9
With private health insurance	8,836	+/-684	70.8%	+/-4.2
With public coverage	758	+/-246	6.1%	+/-2.0
No health insurance coverage	3,267	+/-498	26.2%	+/-3.9
Unemployed:	988	+/-264	988	(X)
With health insurance coverage	539	+/-209	54.6%	+/-15.5
With private health insurance	276	+/-142	27.9%	+/-12.9
With public coverage	308	+/-181	31.2%	+/-15.6
No health insurance coverage	449	+/-191	45.4%	+/-15.5
Not in labor force:	4,773	+/-523	4,773	(X)
With health insurance coverage	3,576	+/-398	74.9%	+/-5.2
With private health insurance	2,300	+/-350	48.2%	+/-6.4
With public coverage	1,587	+/-288	33.2%	+/-5.1
No health insurance coverage	1,197	+/-315	25.1%	+/-5.2

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PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL				
All families	(X)	(X)	9.1%	+/-2.2
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	21.0%	+/-5.5
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	14.6%	+/-12.8
Married couple families	(X)	(X)	4.4%	+/-1.7
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	10.9%	+/-5.1
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	6.0%	+/-10.5
Families with female householder, no husband present	(X)	(X)	35.4%	+/-10.4
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	46.4%	+/-12.8
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	58.0%	+/-39.8
All people	(X)	(X)	14.2%	+/-2.5
Under 18 years	(X)	(X)	27.4%	+/-6.5
Related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	26.9%	+/-6.5
Related children under 5 years	(X)	(X)	24.6%	+/-12.9
Related children 5 to 17 years	(X)	(X)	27.7%	+/-6.7
18 years and over	(X)	(X)	11.4%	+/-2.0
18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	13.7%	+/-2.6
65 years and over	(X)	(X)	6.4%	+/-2.2
People in families	(X)	(X)	11.5%	+/-2.6
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	(X)	(X)	26.1%	+/-5.1

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.

There were changes in the edit between 2009 and 2010 regarding Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security. The changes in the edit loosened restrictions on disability requirements for receipt of SSI resulting in an increase in the total number of SSI recipients in the American Community Survey. The changes also loosened restrictions on possible reported monthly amounts in Social Security income resulting in higher Social Security aggregate amounts. These results more closely match administrative counts compiled by the Social Security Administration.

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

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 2008-2012 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.