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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	Asheville city, North Carolina			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	37,538	+/-888	37,538	(X)
Family households (families)	18,448	+/-646	49.1%	+/-1.6
With own children under 18 years	8,533	+/-495	22.7%	+/-1.3
Married-couple family	12,635	+/-644	33.7%	+/-1.7
With own children under 18 years	4,943	+/-446	13.2%	+/-1.2
Male householder, no wife present, family	1,145	+/-270	3.1%	+/-0.7
With own children under 18 years	668	+/-211	1.8%	+/-0.6
Female householder, no husband present, family	4,668	+/-503	12.4%	+/-1.3
With own children under 18 years	2,922	+/-409	7.8%	+/-1.1
Nonfamily households	19,090	+/-830	50.9%	+/-1.6
Householder living alone	14,961	+/-785	39.9%	+/-1.6
65 years and over	5,060	+/-477	13.5%	+/-1.2
Households with one or more people under 18 years	9,258	+/-509	24.7%	+/-1.3
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	9,453	+/-481	25.2%	+/-1.2
Average household size	2.14	+/-0.05	(X)	(X)
Average family size	2.88	+/-0.08	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	80,152	+/-675	80,152	(X)
Householder	37,538	+/-888	46.8%	+/-1.1
Spouse	12,616	+/-642	15.7%	+/-0.8
Child	19,007	+/-957	23.7%	+/-1.2
Other relatives	3,141	+/-534	3.9%	+/-0.7
Nonrelatives	7,850	+/-851	9.8%	+/-1.0
Unmarried partner	2,837	+/-391	3.5%	+/-0.5
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	31,934	+/-690	31,934	(X)
Never married	12,715	+/-751	39.8%	+/-2.0
Now married, except separated	13,406	+/-661	42.0%	+/-2.1
Separated	905	+/-248	2.8%	+/-0.8
Widowed	1,133	+/-231	3.5%	+/-0.7

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Divorced	3,775	+/-416	11.8%	+/-1.3
Females 15 years and over	37,611	+/-633	37,611	(X)
Never married	12,222	+/-649	32.5%	+/-1.5
Now married, except separated	13,434	+/-658	35.7%	+/-1.8
Separated	1,193	+/-295	3.2%	+/-0.8
Widowed	4,281	+/-402	11.4%	+/-1.0
Divorced	6,481	+/-539	17.2%	+/-1.4
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	1,113	+/-215	1,113	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	337	+/-139	30.3%	+/-10.8
Per 1,000 unmarried women	25	+/-10	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	52	+/-10	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	16	+/-16	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	79	+/-21	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	30	+/-14	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	1,014	+/-292	1,014	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	451	+/-177	44.5%	+/-12.1
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	49	+/-46	4.8%	+/-4.7
1 or 2 years	47	+/-42	4.6%	+/-4.2
3 or 4 years	167	+/-120	16.5%	+/-9.6
5 or more years	188	+/-97	18.5%	+/-8.6
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	451	+/-177	451	(X)
Who are female	282	+/-108	62.5%	+/-12.5
Who are married	213	+/-132	47.2%	+/-18.4
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	19,890	+/-874	19,890	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	1,391	+/-300	7.0%	+/-1.5
Kindergarten	752	+/-225	3.8%	+/-1.2
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	7,218	+/-648	36.3%	+/-2.6
High school (grades 9-12)	2,945	+/-393	14.8%	+/-1.9
College or graduate school	7,584	+/-609	38.1%	+/-2.5
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	58,614	+/-878	58,614	(X)
Less than 9th grade	2,284	+/-297	3.9%	+/-0.5
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	3,895	+/-492	6.6%	+/-0.9
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	11,585	+/-729	19.8%	+/-1.2
Some college, no degree	12,384	+/-777	21.1%	+/-1.3
Associate's degree	4,356	+/-421	7.4%	+/-0.7
Bachelor's degree	15,544	+/-852	26.5%	+/-1.4
Graduate or professional degree	8,566	+/-676	14.6%	+/-1.1
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	89.5%	+/-1.0
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	41.1%	+/-1.7
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	67,067	+/-757	67,067	(X)
Civilian veterans	6,836	+/-554	10.2%	+/-0.8

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DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	81,935	+/-451	81,935	(X)
With a disability	11,324	+/-696	13.8%	+/-0.8
Under 18 years	16,526	+/-740	16,526	(X)
With a disability	653	+/-189	4.0%	+/-1.1
18 to 64 years	53,271	+/-781	53,271	(X)
With a disability	5,954	+/-608	11.2%	+/-1.1
65 years and over	12,138	+/-597	12,138	(X)
With a disability	4,717	+/-427	38.9%	+/-2.9
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	82,487	+/-272	82,487	(X)
Same house	63,369	+/-1,277	76.8%	+/-1.5
Different house in the U.S.	18,805	+/-1,230	22.8%	+/-1.5
Same county	11,404	+/-1,060	13.8%	+/-1.3
Different county	7,401	+/-754	9.0%	+/-0.9
Same state	3,003	+/-477	3.6%	+/-0.6
Different state	4,398	+/-598	5.3%	+/-0.7
Abroad	313	+/-153	0.4%	+/-0.2
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	83,796	+/-64	83,796	(X)
Native	77,595	+/-1,068	92.6%	+/-1.3
Born in United States	76,425	+/-1,080	91.2%	+/-1.3
State of residence	38,940	+/-1,038	46.5%	+/-1.2
Different state	37,485	+/-1,314	44.7%	+/-1.6
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	1,170	+/-255	1.4%	+/-0.3
Foreign born	6,201	+/-1,072	7.4%	+/-1.3
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	6,201	+/-1,072	6,201	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	1,884	+/-357	30.4%	+/-6.1
Not a U.S. citizen	4,317	+/-984	69.6%	+/-6.1
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	7,371	+/-1,081	7,371	(X)
Native	1,170	+/-255	1,170	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	13	+/-23	1.1%	+/-1.9
Entered before 2010	1,157	+/-252	98.9%	+/-1.9
Foreign born	6,201	+/-1,072	6,201	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	111	+/-101	1.8%	+/-1.7
Entered before 2010	6,090	+/-1,069	98.2%	+/-1.7
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	6,201	+/-1,072	6,201	(X)
Europe	2,178	+/-740	35.1%	+/-7.9
Asia	899	+/-249	14.5%	+/-4.1
Africa	69	+/-47	1.1%	+/-0.8
Oceania	149	+/-131	2.4%	+/-2.1
Latin America	2,758	+/-552	44.5%	+/-7.3
Northern America	148	+/-73	2.4%	+/-1.1

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LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	78,421	+/-419	78,421	(X)
English only	71,162	+/-1,208	90.7%	+/-1.4
Language other than English	7,259	+/-1,065	9.3%	+/-1.4
Speak English less than "very well"	3,361	+/-622	4.3%	+/-0.8
Spanish	4,161	+/-590	5.3%	+/-0.8
Speak English less than "very well"	2,170	+/-443	2.8%	+/-0.6
Other Indo-European languages	2,402	+/-758	3.1%	+/-1.0
Speak English less than "very well"	983	+/-361	1.3%	+/-0.5
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	597	+/-216	0.8%	+/-0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	208	+/-112	0.3%	+/-0.1
Other languages	99	+/-81	0.1%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-30	0.0%	+/-0.1
ANCESTRY				
Total population	83,796	+/-64	83,796	(X)
American	11,015	+/-1,208	13.1%	+/-1.4
Arab	120	+/-67	0.1%	+/-0.1
Czech	225	+/-118	0.3%	+/-0.1
Danish	350	+/-145	0.4%	+/-0.2
Dutch	1,407	+/-342	1.7%	+/-0.4
English	11,205	+/-886	13.4%	+/-1.1
French (except Basque)	2,733	+/-441	3.3%	+/-0.5
French Canadian	509	+/-251	0.6%	+/-0.3
German	12,418	+/-1,025	14.8%	+/-1.2
Greek	376	+/-148	0.4%	+/-0.2
Hungarian	288	+/-140	0.3%	+/-0.2
Irish	9,394	+/-875	11.2%	+/-1.0
Italian	3,124	+/-396	3.7%	+/-0.5
Lithuanian	238	+/-173	0.3%	+/-0.2
Norwegian	555	+/-153	0.7%	+/-0.2
Polish	2,294	+/-388	2.7%	+/-0.5
Portuguese	220	+/-111	0.3%	+/-0.1
Russian	934	+/-315	1.1%	+/-0.4
Scotch-Irish	3,523	+/-431	4.2%	+/-0.5
Scottish	3,452	+/-469	4.1%	+/-0.6
Slovak	31	+/-34	0.0%	+/-0.1
Subsaharan African	390	+/-230	0.5%	+/-0.3
Swedish	636	+/-172	0.8%	+/-0.2
Swiss	258	+/-174	0.3%	+/-0.2
Ukrainian	661	+/-420	0.8%	+/-0.5
Welsh	1,233	+/-336	1.5%	+/-0.4
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	214	+/-127	0.3%	+/-0.2

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.

Fertility data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with data collection. See Errata Note #92 for details.

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.

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.