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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	Black Mountain town, North Carolina			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
EMPLOYMENT STATUS				
Population 16 years and over	6,484	+/-251	6,484	(X)
In labor force	4,028	+/-375	62.1%	+/-5.4
Civilian labor force	4,028	+/-375	62.1%	+/-5.4
Employed	3,699	+/-379	57.0%	+/-5.7
Unemployed	329	+/-142	5.1%	+/-2.1
Armed Forces	0	+/-18	0.0%	+/-0.6
Not in labor force	2,456	+/-369	37.9%	+/-5.4
Civilian labor force	4,028	+/-375	4,028	(X)
Percent Unemployed	(X)	(X)	8.2%	+/-3.5
Females 16 years and over				
In labor force	1,877	+/-195	57.7%	+/-6.2
Civilian labor force	1,877	+/-195	57.7%	+/-6.2
Employed	1,784	+/-195	54.9%	+/-6.2
Own children under 6 years				
All parents in family in labor force	611	+/-150	611	(X)
Own children 6 to 17 years				
All parents in family in labor force	500	+/-163	81.8%	+/-13.2
COMMUTING TO WORK				
Workers 16 years and over	3,580	+/-383	3,580	(X)
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	2,591	+/-351	72.4%	+/-6.9
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	438	+/-184	12.2%	+/-4.9
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	0	+/-18	0.0%	+/-1.0
Walked	183	+/-150	5.1%	+/-4.2
Other means	67	+/-48	1.9%	+/-1.3
Worked at home	301	+/-135	8.4%	+/-3.4
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	20.4	+/-1.9	(X)	(X)
OCCUPATION				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	3,699	+/-379	3,699	(X)

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	1,366	+/-245	36.9%	+/-5.7
Service occupations	835	+/-248	22.6%	+/-5.9
Sales and office occupations	744	+/-144	20.1%	+/-3.5
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	205	+/-87	5.5%	+/-2.4
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	549	+/-184	14.8%	+/-4.7
INDUSTRY				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	3,699	+/-379	3,699	(X)
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	65	+/-104	1.8%	+/-2.8
Construction	171	+/-77	4.6%	+/-2.2
Manufacturing	466	+/-160	12.6%	+/-4.0
Wholesale trade	71	+/-51	1.9%	+/-1.4
Retail trade	624	+/-188	16.9%	+/-5.0
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	85	+/-59	2.3%	+/-1.6
Information	0	+/-18	0.0%	+/-1.0
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	248	+/-116	6.7%	+/-3.0
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	292	+/-115	7.9%	+/-3.0
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	946	+/-242	25.6%	+/-6.5
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	498	+/-249	13.5%	+/-6.3
Other services, except public administration	85	+/-54	2.3%	+/-1.5
Public administration	148	+/-102	4.0%	+/-2.6
CLASS OF WORKER				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	3,699	+/-379	3,699	(X)
Private wage and salary workers	2,700	+/-349	73.0%	+/-5.1
Government workers	546	+/-165	14.8%	+/-4.4
Self-employed in own not incorporated business workers	453	+/-159	12.2%	+/-4.1
Unpaid family workers	0	+/-18	0.0%	+/-1.0
INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2012 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)				
Total households	3,463	+/-220	3,463	(X)
Less than \$10,000	190	+/-100	5.5%	+/-2.8
\$10,000 to \$14,999	301	+/-140	8.7%	+/-3.9
\$15,000 to \$24,999	570	+/-159	16.5%	+/-4.2
\$25,000 to \$34,999	447	+/-138	12.9%	+/-3.8
\$35,000 to \$49,999	685	+/-183	19.8%	+/-5.3
\$50,000 to \$74,999	519	+/-137	15.0%	+/-4.1
\$75,000 to \$99,999	250	+/-96	7.2%	+/-2.8
\$100,000 to \$149,999	276	+/-107	8.0%	+/-3.0
\$150,000 to \$199,999	149	+/-91	4.3%	+/-2.7
\$200,000 or more	76	+/-71	2.2%	+/-2.1
Median household income (dollars)	38,125	+/-4,842	(X)	(X)
Mean household income (dollars)	55,689	+/-7,510	(X)	(X)
With earnings				
Mean earnings (dollars)	2,557	+/-185	73.8%	+/-4.9
With Social Security	53,110	+/-10,166	(X)	(X)
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	1,312	+/-218	37.9%	+/-5.7
With retirement income	15,713	+/-1,402	(X)	(X)
Mean retirement income (dollars)	879	+/-159	25.4%	+/-4.4
With Supplemental Security Income	23,925	+/-4,225	(X)	(X)
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	56	+/-35	1.6%	+/-1.0
With cash public assistance income	15,291	+/-7,764	(X)	(X)
Mean cash public assistance income	35	+/-42	1.0%	+/-1.2

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Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	800	+/-638	(X)	(X)
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits in the past 12 months	455	+/-148	13.1%	+/-4.2
Families	1,876	+/-162	1,876	(X)
Less than \$10,000	90	+/-88	4.8%	+/-4.7
\$10,000 to \$14,999	24	+/-28	1.3%	+/-1.5
\$15,000 to \$24,999	218	+/-89	11.6%	+/-4.7
\$25,000 to \$34,999	154	+/-64	8.2%	+/-3.5
\$35,000 to \$49,999	431	+/-162	23.0%	+/-8.1
\$50,000 to \$74,999	332	+/-105	17.7%	+/-5.5
\$75,000 to \$99,999	203	+/-88	10.8%	+/-4.5
\$100,000 to \$149,999	238	+/-100	12.7%	+/-5.3
\$150,000 to \$199,999	110	+/-69	5.9%	+/-3.6
\$200,000 or more	76	+/-71	4.1%	+/-3.8
Median family income (dollars)	51,500	+/-15,159	(X)	(X)
Mean family income (dollars)	73,281	+/-13,213	(X)	(X)
Per capita income (dollars)	24,974	+/-3,159	(X)	(X)
Nonfamily households	1,587	+/-268	1,587	(X)
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	25,112	+/-4,862	(X)	(X)
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	32,440	+/-4,638	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for workers (dollars)	22,500	+/-5,599	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for male full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	36,843	+/-4,675	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for female full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	28,938	+/-6,737	(X)	(X)
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE				
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	7,693	+/-119	7,693	(X)
With health insurance coverage	6,213	+/-370	80.8%	+/-4.5
With private health insurance	4,401	+/-424	57.2%	+/-5.5
With public coverage	2,816	+/-392	36.6%	+/-5.1
No health insurance coverage	1,480	+/-348	19.2%	+/-4.5
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	1,500	+/-255	1,500	(X)
No health insurance coverage	93	+/-86	6.2%	+/-5.9
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	4,791	+/-265	4,791	(X)
In labor force:	3,875	+/-374	3,875	(X)
Employed:	3,546	+/-375	3,546	(X)
With health insurance coverage	2,555	+/-372	72.1%	+/-7.1
With private health insurance	2,302	+/-364	64.9%	+/-7.9
With public coverage	337	+/-167	9.5%	+/-4.4
No health insurance coverage	991	+/-274	27.9%	+/-7.1
Unemployed:	329	+/-142	329	(X)
With health insurance coverage	128	+/-70	38.9%	+/-16.0
With private health insurance	111	+/-59	33.7%	+/-15.2
With public coverage	22	+/-29	6.7%	+/-7.6
No health insurance coverage	201	+/-107	61.1%	+/-16.0
Not in labor force:	916	+/-286	916	(X)
With health insurance coverage	721	+/-260	78.7%	+/-11.7
With private health insurance	394	+/-199	43.0%	+/-17.2
With public coverage	341	+/-167	37.2%	+/-14.0
No health insurance coverage	195	+/-114	21.3%	+/-11.7

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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)	8.5%	+/-5.4
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	13.2%	+/-7.6
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	0.0%	+/-17.8
Married couple families	(X)	(X)	4.8%	+/-5.6
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	3.4%	+/-5.2
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	0.0%	+/-26.0
Families with female householder, no husband present	(X)	(X)	29.0%	+/-20.4
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	50.0%	+/-31.3
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	0.0%	+/-75.1
All people	(X)	(X)	13.5%	+/-4.7
Under 18 years	(X)	(X)	21.2%	+/-12.5
Related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	20.2%	+/-12.5
Related children under 5 years	(X)	(X)	16.7%	+/-14.8
Related children 5 to 17 years	(X)	(X)	21.6%	+/-13.8
18 years and over	(X)	(X)	11.6%	+/-3.6
18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	13.4%	+/-4.3
65 years and over	(X)	(X)	5.7%	+/-4.3
People in families	(X)	(X)	10.3%	+/-6.2
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	(X)	(X)	21.7%	+/-7.1

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.
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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.