



Alaska

Selected Economic Characteristics: 2005
 Data Set: 2005 American Community Survey
 Survey: 2005 American Community Survey

NOTE: Data are limited to the household population and exclude the population living in institutions, college dormitories, and other group quarters. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see [Survey Methodology](#).

Selected Economic Characteristics: 2005	Estimate	Margin of Error
EMPLOYMENT STATUS		
Population 16 years and over	476,403	+/-1,190
In labor force	337,929	+/-4,726
Civilian labor force	330,672	+/-5,040
Employed	302,307	+/-5,308
Unemployed	28,365	+/-2,629
Armed Forces	7,257	+/-1,137
Not in labor force	138,474	+/-4,681
Civilian labor force	330,672	+/-5,040
Unemployed	8.6%	+/-0.8
Females 16 years and over	234,703	+/-1,158
In labor force	152,446	+/-3,333
Civilian labor force	151,736	+/-3,418
Employed	140,918	+/-3,433
Own children under 6 years	56,898	+/-2,244
All parents in family in labor force	32,694	+/-2,610
Own children 6 to 17 years	117,521	+/-2,507
All parents in family in labor force	82,305	+/-3,894
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Workers 16 years and over	294,690	+/-5,226
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	200,952	+/-5,850
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	44,555	+/-3,263
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	3,573	+/-956
Walked	19,368	+/-1,892
Other means	14,175	+/-1,633
Worked at home	12,067	+/-1,657
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	18.3	+/-0.6
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	302,307	+/-5,308
OCCUPATION		
Management, professional, and related occupations	107,171	+/-4,672
Service occupations	47,024	+/-3,061
Sales and office occupations	75,556	+/-3,793
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	3,324	+/-903
Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair occupations	39,431	+/-3,114
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	29,801	+/-2,230
INDUSTRY		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	11,119	+/-1,646
Construction	29,384	+/-2,639
Manufacturing	6,680	+/-1,322
Wholesale trade	6,457	+/-1,361
Retail trade	36,867	+/-3,307
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	25,942	+/-2,491
Information	7,990	+/-1,450
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	14,452	+/-2,010
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	22,672	+/-2,207
Educational services, and health care, and social assistance	65,515	+/-3,471
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation, and food services	25,051	+/-2,118
Other services, except public administration	15,980	+/-2,139
Public administration	34,198	+/-3,213
CLASS OF WORKER		
Private wage and salary workers	197,056	+/-5,059
Government workers	78,972	+/-4,104
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	25,461	+/-2,485
Unpaid family workers	818	+/-347
INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2005 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)		
Total households	233,252	+/-2,012
Less than \$10,000	14,670	+/-1,756
\$10,000 to \$14,999	10,256	+/-1,237
\$15,000 to \$24,999	22,553	+/-2,037
\$25,000 to \$34,999	20,969	+/-2,104
\$35,000 to \$49,999	32,625	+/-2,583
\$50,000 to \$74,999	49,028	+/-3,042
\$75,000 to \$99,999	32,760	+/-2,389
\$100,000 to \$149,999	33,763	+/-2,486
\$150,000 to \$199,999	10,332	+/-1,466
\$200,000 or more	6,296	+/-934
Median household income (dollars)	56,234	+/-1,807
Mean household income (dollars)	70,878	+/-2,184
With earnings	206,532	+/-2,567
Mean earnings (dollars)	67,273	+/-2,200

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With Social Security	40,952	+/-2,149
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	11,702	+/-446
With retirement income	39,467	+/-2,179
Mean retirement income (dollars)	22,066	+/-1,558
With Supplemental Security Income	6,068	+/-1,014
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	6,304	+/-878
With cash public assistance income	15,346	+/-1,889
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,660	+/-442
With Food Stamp benefits in the past 12 months	17,123	+/-1,561
Families	157,187	+/-3,442
Less than \$10,000	6,419	+/-1,248
\$10,000 to \$14,999	4,064	+/-866
\$15,000 to \$24,999	12,906	+/-1,930
\$25,000 to \$34,999	11,851	+/-1,501
\$35,000 to \$49,999	20,798	+/-2,120
\$50,000 to \$74,999	33,323	+/-2,538
\$75,000 to \$99,999	26,235	+/-2,234
\$100,000 to \$149,999	27,944	+/-2,223
\$150,000 to \$199,999	8,269	+/-1,326
\$200,000 or more	5,378	+/-906
Median family income (dollars)	67,084	+/-2,192
Mean family income (dollars)	80,026	+/-2,982
Per capita income (dollars)	26,310	+/-765
Nonfamily households	76,065	+/-3,726
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	36,302	+/-1,843
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	47,396	+/-2,650
Median earnings for workers (dollars)	30,388	+/-585
Median earnings for male full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	50,367	+/-994
Median earnings for female full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	37,475	+/-1,444
PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL		
All families	8.3%	+/-1.1
With related children under 18 years	11.4%	+/-1.5
With related children under 5 years only	8.0%	+/-2.8
Married couple families	3.5%	+/-0.9
With related children under 18 years	3.9%	+/-1.2
With related children under 5 years only	3.0%	+/-2.0
Families with female householder, no husband present	25.3%	+/-4.1
With related children under 18 years	28.8%	+/-4.8
With related children under 5 years only	21.1%	+/-11.5
All people	11.2%	+/-1.0
Under 18 years	14.5%	+/-1.8
Related children under 18 years	13.7%	+/-1.8
Related children under 5 years	13.6%	+/-2.7
Related children 5 to 17 years	13.8%	+/-2.1
18 years and over	9.8%	+/-0.9
18 to 64 years	10.1%	+/-0.9
65 years and over	7.0%	+/-1.6
People in families	9.1%	+/-1.2
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	20.7%	+/-2.1

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 American Community Survey

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:

- The number of householders does not necessarily equal the number of households because of differences in the weighting schemes for the population and occupied housing units.
- 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.
- Occupation codes are 4-digit codes, but are still based on Standard Occupational Classification 2000.
- Industry codes are 4-digit codes and are based on the North American Industry Classification System 2002. However, 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.

Explanation of Symbols:

1. An '*' entry in the margin of error column indicates that 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 margin of error column indicates that no sample observations were available to compute a standard error and thus the margin of error. A statistical test is not appropriate.
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4. An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
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7. An '*****' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.
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