

## Alaska

### S0103. Population 65 Years and Over in the United States

Data Set: **2005 American Community Survey**

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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](#).

Subject	Total	Margin of Error	65 years and over	Margin of Error
<b>Total population</b>	<b>641,724</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>42,156</b>	<b>+/-1,002</b>
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>				
Male	50.8%	+/-0.3	47.6%	+/-1.1
Female	49.2%	+/-0.3	52.4%	+/-1.1
Median age (years)	33.9	+/-0.3	72.6	+/-0.4
<b>RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN</b>				
One race	93.1%	+/-0.6	96.6%	+/-1.1
White	69.2%	+/-0.4	74.1%	+/-1.7
Black or African American	3.4%	+/-0.1	2.0%	+/-0.8
American Indian and Alaska Native	14.2%	+/-0.5	14.6%	+/-1.2
Asian	4.5%	+/-0.3	5.5%	+/-1.3
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.5%	+/-0.1	0.2%	+/-0.2
Some other race	1.3%	+/-0.3	0.3%	+/-0.3
Two or more races	6.9%	+/-0.6	3.4%	+/-1.1
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	4.8%	+/-0.1	1.4%	+/-0.7
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	66.7%	+/-0.1	73.0%	+/-1.7
<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>				
Householder or spouse	56.2%	+/-0.6	88.1%	+/-2.4
Parent	0.7%	+/-0.2	5.7%	+/-1.7
Other relatives	36.5%	+/-0.6	4.1%	+/-1.6
Nonrelatives	6.6%	+/-0.6	2.1%	+/-0.9
Unmarried partner	3.2%	+/-0.3	0.7%	+/-0.5
<b>HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE</b>				
<b>Households</b>	<b>233,252</b>	<b>+/-2,012</b>	<b>25,558</b>	<b>+/-1,214</b>
Family households	67.4%	+/-1.5	58.3%	+/-3.7
Married-couple families	49.9%	+/-1.5	44.8%	+/-4.1
Female householder, no husband present	11.9%	+/-1.1	10.1%	+/-2.5
Nonfamily households	32.6%	+/-1.5	41.7%	+/-3.7
Householder living alone	24.6%	+/-1.4	39.6%	+/-3.9
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>				
<b>Population 15 years and over</b>	<b>487,292</b>	<b>+/-676</b>	<b>42,156</b>	<b>+/-1,002</b>
Now married, except separated	52.9%	+/-1.2	58.4%	+/-3.2
Widowed	3.6%	+/-0.4	23.9%	+/-2.4
Divorced	12.1%	+/-0.7	13.2%	+/-2.4
Separated	2.1%	+/-0.4	1.2%	+/-0.6
Never married	29.4%	+/-0.9	3.3%	+/-1.4
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>				
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>	<b>387,609</b>	<b>+/-1,667</b>	<b>42,156</b>	<b>+/-1,002</b>
Less than high school graduate	9.0%	+/-0.6	24.6%	+/-2.5
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	28.9%	+/-1.1	28.4%	+/-2.5
Some college or associate's degree	34.8%	+/-1.2	25.9%	+/-2.7
Bachelor's degree or higher	27.3%	+/-1.0	21.1%	+/-2.5
<b>RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS</b>				
<b>Population 30 years and over</b>	<b>351,934</b>	<b>+/-1,357</b>	<b>42,156</b>	<b>+/-1,002</b>
Living with grandchild(ren) in the household	3.7%	+/-0.6	10.8%	+/-2.4
Responsible for grandchild(ren)	2.0%	+/-0.4	4.5%	+/-1.2
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>				
<b>Civilian population 18 years and over</b>	<b>446,969</b>	<b>+/-1,207</b>	<b>42,156</b>	<b>+/-1,002</b>
Civilian veteran	16.7%	+/-0.8	32.9%	+/-2.1
<b>DISABILITY STATUS</b>				
<b>Civilian population 5 years and over</b>	<b>585,263</b>	<b>+/-1,500</b>	<b>42,156</b>	<b>+/-1,002</b>
With any disability	14.7%	+/-0.7	47.3%	+/-3.4
No disability	85.3%	+/-0.7	52.7%	+/-3.4
<b>RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO</b>				
<b>Population 1 year and over</b>	<b>633,154</b>	<b>+/-1,385</b>	<b>42,156</b>	<b>+/-1,002</b>
Same house	81.3%	+/-1.0	92.9%	+/-1.7
Different house in the United States	18.2%	+/-1.0	6.9%	+/-1.8
Same county	10.5%	+/-1.0	3.8%	+/-1.2
Different county	7.7%	+/-0.7	3.1%	+/-1.4
Same state	2.8%	+/-0.5	1.8%	+/-1.1
Different state	4.9%	+/-0.7	1.3%	+/-0.7
Abroad	0.5%	+/-0.2	0.2%	+/-0.2
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>641,724</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>42,156</b>	<b>+/-1,002</b>
Native	607,356	+/-2,341	37,892	+/-923
Foreign born	34,368	+/-2,341	4,264	+/-811
Entered 2000 or later	17.1%	+/-4.0	10.2%	+/-9.6
Entered 1990 to 1999	26.0%	+/-4.3	5.0%	+/-5.1
Entered before 1990	57.0%	+/-4.9	84.8%	+/-9.8
Naturalized U.S. citizen	58.7%	+/-4.3	79.9%	+/-10.4
Not a U.S. citizen	41.3%	+/-4.3	20.1%	+/-10.4
<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH</b>				

Subject	Total	Margin of Error	65 years and over	Margin of Error
<b>Population 5 years and over</b>	<b>592,520</b>	<b>+/-830</b>	<b>42,156</b>	<b>+/-1,002</b>
English only	86.4%	+/-0.7	81.6%	+/-2.0
Language other than English	13.6%	+/-0.7	18.4%	+/-2.0
Speak English less than "very well"	4.2%	+/-0.4	10.3%	+/-1.8
<b>EMPLOYMENT STATUS</b>				
<b>Civilian population 16 years and over</b>	<b>469,146</b>	<b>+/-1,512</b>	<b>42,156</b>	<b>+/-1,002</b>
In labor force	70.5%	+/-1.0	16.6%	+/-2.1
Employed	64.4%	+/-1.1	15.6%	+/-2.1
Unemployed	6.0%	+/-0.6	1.0%	+/-0.6
Percent of civilian labor force	8.6%	+/-0.8	5.8%	+/-3.3
Not in labor force	29.5%	+/-1.0	83.4%	+/-2.1
<b>INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2005 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)</b>				
<b>Households</b>	<b>233,252</b>	<b>+/-2,012</b>	<b>25,558</b>	<b>+/-1,214</b>
With earnings	88.5%	+/-0.8	40.6%	+/-3.7
Mean earnings (dollars)	67,273	+/-2,200	34,322	+/-4,313
With Social Security income	17.6%	+/-0.9	91.3%	+/-2.0
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	11,702	+/-446	13,213	+/-590
With Supplemental Security Income	2.6%	+/-0.4	5.1%	+/-1.4
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	6,304	+/-878	5,374	+/-944
With cash public assistance income	6.6%	+/-0.8	10.3%	+/-2.3
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,660	+/-442	3,232	+/-418
With retirement income	16.9%	+/-1.0	54.5%	+/-3.9
Mean retirement income (dollars)	22,066	+/-1,558	22,569	+/-2,465
With Food Stamp benefits	7.3%	+/-0.7	4.4%	+/-1.2
<b>POVERTY STATUS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS</b>				
<b>Population for whom poverty status is determined</b>	<b>637,581</b>	<b>+/-1,207</b>	<b>42,156</b>	<b>+/-1,002</b>
Below 100 percent of the poverty level	11.2%	+/-1.0	7.0%	+/-1.6
100 to 149 percent of the poverty level	7.2%	+/-0.8	12.9%	+/-2.2
At or above 150 percent of the poverty level	81.7%	+/-1.2	80.1%	+/-2.8
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>233,252</b>	<b>+/-2,012</b>	<b>25,558</b>	<b>+/-1,214</b>
<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>				
Owner-occupied housing units	63.0%	+/-1.3	76.7%	+/-3.1
Renter-occupied housing units	37.0%	+/-1.3	23.3%	+/-3.1
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.93	+/-0.05	1.74	+/-0.10
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.45	+/-0.07	1.34	+/-0.11
<b>SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS</b>				
No telephone service available	3.4%	+/-0.6	2.3%	+/-1.1
1.01 or more occupants per room	6.3%	+/-0.8	3.2%	+/-0.9
<b>Owner-occupied housing units</b>	<b>147,019</b>	<b>+/-3,283</b>	<b>19,599</b>	<b>+/-1,182</b>
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS</b>				
Less than 30 percent	74.4%	+/-1.6	73.9%	+/-4.2
30 percent or more	25.6%	+/-1.6	26.1%	+/-4.2
<b>OWNER CHARACTERISTICS</b>				
Median value (dollars)	197,100	+/-4,387	187,600	+/-10,337
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	1,477	+/-25	1,266	+/-120
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	409	+/-19	388	+/-25
<b>Renter-occupied housing units</b>	<b>86,233</b>	<b>+/-3,244</b>	<b>5,959</b>	<b>+/-871</b>
<b>GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS</b>				
Less than 30 percent	61.3%	+/-2.8	45.2%	+/-7.9
30 percent or more	38.7%	+/-2.8	54.8%	+/-7.9
<b>GROSS RENT</b>				
Median gross rent (dollars)	832	+/-25	665	+/-53

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 65 years and over column of data refers to the age of the householder for the estimates of households, occupied housing units, owner-occupied housing units, and renter-occupied housing units lines.
- The age specified on the population 15 years and over, population 25 years and over, population 30 years and over, civilian population 18 years and over, civilian population 5 years and over, population 1 years and over, population 5 years and over, and population 16 years and over lines refer to the data shown in the "Total" column while the second column is limited to the population 65 years and over.

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.
3. An '-' entry in the estimate column indicates that no 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.
4. An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
5. An '+' following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
6. 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.
7. An '\*\*\*\*\*' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.
8. 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.
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