



Alaska

General Demographic Characteristics: 2003

Data Set: 2003 American Community Survey Summary Tables

Survey: American Community Survey

An entry of "X" indicates that, due to an error, data have been removed and are being revised. When revisions are complete the data will again be available.

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](#).

General Demographic Characteristics: 2003	Estimate	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
Total population	629,832	*****	*****
SEX AND AGE			
Male	321,761	320,174	323,348
Female	308,071	306,484	309,658
Under 5 years	48,126	47,389	48,863
5 to 9 years	45,240	41,829	48,651
10 to 14 years	60,349	56,949	63,749
15 to 19 years	56,254	52,894	59,614
20 to 24 years	40,786	36,959	44,613
25 to 34 years	78,304	75,805	80,803
35 to 44 years	101,668	99,923	103,413
45 to 54 years	105,066	101,902	108,230
55 to 59 years	33,049	31,133	34,965
60 to 64 years	21,390	19,739	23,041
65 to 74 years	26,286	24,882	27,690
75 to 84 years	11,185	9,889	12,481
85 years and over	2,129	1,308	2,950
Median age (years)	33.2	32.8	33.6
18 years and over	441,735	441,177	442,293
21 years and over	410,818	407,836	413,800
62 years and over	50,949	49,348	52,550
65 years and over	39,600	38,488	40,712
Male	19,583	18,477	20,689
Female	20,017	19,593	20,441
RACE			
One race	591,313	583,449	599,177
White	438,065	436,195	439,935
Black or African American	22,014	20,475	23,553
American Indian and Alaska Native	92,677	85,048	100,306
Asian	25,804	24,541	27,067
Asian Indian	X	X	X
Chinese (except Taiwanese)	X	X	X
Filipino	X	X	X
Japanese	X	X	X
Korean	X	X	X
Vietnamese	X	X	X
Other Asian	X	X	X
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	3,584	2,732	4,436
Native Hawaiian	X	X	X
Guamanian or Chamorro	X	X	X
Samoan	X	X	X
Other Pacific Islander	X	X	X
Some other race	9,169	7,299	11,039
Two or more races	38,519	30,655	46,383
Two races including Some other race	2,364	1,515	3,213
Two races excluding Some other race, and Three or more races	36,155	28,714	43,596
Race alone or in combination with one or more other races:			
White	471,607	464,391	478,823
Black or African American	28,614	26,785	30,443
American Indian and Alaska Native	121,364	119,275	123,453
Asian	31,984	30,696	33,272
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	5,003	4,139	5,867
Some other race	11,721	9,813	13,629
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE			
Total population	629,832	*****	*****
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	28,011	27,468	28,554
Mexican	16,114	14,049	18,179
Puerto Rican	2,314	1,185	3,443
Cuban	516	149	883
Other Hispanic or Latino	9,067	7,096	11,038
Not Hispanic or Latino	601,821	601,278	602,364

General Demographic Characteristics: 2003	Estimate	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
White alone	425,512	425,215	425,809
Black or African American alone	21,612	20,126	23,098
American Indian or Alaska Native alone	89,980	81,943	98,017
Asian alone	25,804	24,541	27,067
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	3,584	2,732	4,436
Some other race alone	585	95	1,075
Two or more races:	34,744	26,854	42,634
Two races including Some other race	590	85	1,095
Two races excluding Some other race, and Three or more races	34,154	26,686	41,622
RELATIONSHIP			
Household population	629,832	*****	*****
Householder	236,376	232,248	240,504
Spouse	119,029	116,126	121,932
Child	202,372	198,778	205,966
Other relatives	34,651	31,153	38,149
Nonrelatives	37,404	33,620	41,188
Unmarried partner	16,249	14,493	18,005
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE			
Total households	229,408	225,422	233,394
Family households (families)	156,453	152,133	160,773
With own children under 18 years	87,952	84,205	91,699
Married-couple families	115,568	111,990	119,146
With own children under 18 years	60,607	56,858	64,356
Female householder, no husband present	26,989	24,762	29,216
With own children under 18 years	17,953	16,310	19,596
Nonfamily households	72,955	69,771	76,139
Householder living alone	57,652	54,345	60,959
65 years and over	10,727	9,123	12,331
Households with one or more people under 18 years	96,957	93,182	100,732
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	30,546	29,387	31,705
Average household size	2.75	2.70	2.80
Average family size	3.31	3.22	3.40
HOUSING OCCUPANCY			
Total housing units	267,987	*****	*****
Occupied housing units	229,408	225,422	233,394
Vacant housing units	38,579	34,593	42,565
Homeowner vacancy rate (percent)	1.6	1.1	2.1
Rental vacancy rate (percent)	6.2	4.5	7.9
HOUSING TENURE			
Occupied housing units	229,408	225,422	233,394
Owner-occupied	143,241	139,316	147,166
Renter-occupied	86,167	82,439	89,895
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.85	2.74	2.96
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.56	2.48	2.64

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2003 American Community Survey

The table above shows the margin of error, represented by the lower and upper bounds of the 90-percent confidence interval. The confidence interval represents the degree of uncertainty for an estimate and can be interpreted roughly as providing 90 percent certainty that the true number falls between the upper and lower bounds. The smaller the confidence interval the more precise the estimate.

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.
- For more information on understanding race and Hispanic origin data, please see the Census 2000 Brief entitled, [Overview of Race and Hispanic Origin](#), issued March 2001. (pdf format)

Explanation of Symbols:

1. An "*" entry in the lower and upper bound columns indicates that too few sample observations were available to compute a standard error and thus the lower and upper bounds. A statistical test is not appropriate.
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3. An "—" entry in the estimate column indicates that no sample observations were available to compute an estimate.
4. An "L" following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
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