



Alaska

Selected Economic Characteristics: 2003

Data Set: 2003 American Community Survey Summary Tables

Survey: 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](#).

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EMPLOYMENT STATUS			
Population 16 years and over	463,204	462,071	464,337
In labor force	340,270	335,645	344,895
Civilian labor force	331,518	326,768	336,268
Employed	295,732	290,072	301,392
Unemployed	35,786	30,840	40,732
Percent unemployed	10.8	9.3	12.2
Armed Forces	8,752	7,555	9,949
Not in labor force	122,934	118,338	127,530
Females 16 years and over	227,285	226,240	228,330
In labor force	154,298	150,344	158,252
Civilian labor force	152,625	148,704	156,546
Employed	136,407	132,595	140,219
Own children under 6 years	53,525	50,645	56,405
All parents in family in labor force	35,175	31,920	38,430
Own children 6 to 17 years	119,380	113,799	124,961
All parents in family in labor force	91,160	85,623	96,697
Population 16 to 19 years	43,341	40,485	46,197
Not enrolled in school and not a H.S. graduate	4,432	3,350	5,514
Unemployed or not in the labor force	2,860	1,983	3,737
COMMUTING TO WORK			
Workers 16 years and over	287,940	282,647	293,233
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	201,329	195,587	207,071
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	41,385	36,882	45,888
Public transportation (including taxicab)	5,289	4,351	6,227
Walked	17,834	13,642	22,026
Other means	8,658	7,577	9,739
Worked at home	13,445	11,372	15,518
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	18.9	18.1	19.6
Employed civilian population 16 years and over	295,732	290,072	301,392
OCCUPATION			
Management, professional, and related occupations	100,485	95,802	105,168
Service occupations	48,067	45,085	51,049
Sales and office occupations	79,203	74,897	83,509
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	3,314	763	5,865
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	34,097	31,574	36,620
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	30,566	28,007	33,125
INDUSTRY			
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	11,571	8,994	14,148
Construction	23,793	21,567	26,019

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Manufacturing	6,990	5,196	8,784
Wholesale trade	7,299	6,102	8,496
Retail trade	34,981	31,115	38,847
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	25,873	23,221	28,525
Information	6,988	5,565	8,411
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	15,294	13,475	17,113
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	22,901	20,506	25,296
Educational, health, and social services	61,403	57,534	65,272
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services	27,050	24,595	29,505
Other services (except public administration)	14,979	12,300	17,658
Public Administration	36,610	33,499	39,721
CLASS OF WORKER			
Private wage and salary workers	190,814	184,012	197,616
Government workers	79,226	75,366	83,086
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	24,042	21,888	26,196
Unpaid family workers	1,650	952	2,348
INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2003 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)			
Total households	229,408	225,422	233,394
Less than \$10,000	9,843	8,427	11,259
\$10,000 to \$14,999	13,842	11,684	16,000
\$15,000 to \$24,999	22,441	18,353	26,529
\$25,000 to \$34,999	27,358	24,779	29,937
\$35,000 to \$49,999	34,916	32,297	37,535
\$50,000 to \$74,999	48,661	42,694	54,628
\$75,000 to \$99,999	32,283	29,666	34,900
\$100,000 to \$149,999	28,070	25,157	30,983
\$150,000 to \$199,999	7,356	6,100	8,612
\$200,000 or more	4,638	3,858	5,418
Median household income (dollars)	52,499	50,381	54,617
Mean household income (dollars)	64,292	62,588	65,996
With earnings	202,891	199,195	206,587
Mean earnings (dollars)	59,918	58,241	61,594
With Social Security	38,201	36,033	40,369
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	12,088	11,429	12,747
With retirement income	39,192	37,025	41,359
Mean retirement income (dollars)	20,178	19,023	21,332
With Supplemental Security Income	4,990	3,958	6,022
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	6,521	5,873	7,170
With cash public assistance income	17,693	16,009	19,377
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,495	3,054	3,936
With Food Stamp benefits in the past 12 months	15,059	13,643	16,475
Families			
Total families	156,453	152,133	160,773
Less than \$10,000	4,836	3,858	5,814
\$10,000 to \$14,999	5,253	4,311	6,195
\$15,000 to \$24,999	13,271	10,488	16,054
\$25,000 to \$34,999	15,042	12,065	18,019
\$35,000 to \$49,999	22,872	21,000	24,744
\$50,000 to \$74,999	37,181	33,163	41,199
\$75,000 to \$99,999	24,691	22,806	26,576
\$100,000 to \$149,999	23,283	21,068	25,498
\$150,000 to \$199,999	5,956	4,937	6,975
\$200,000 or more	4,068	3,326	4,810
Median family income (dollars)	61,117	59,519	62,715
Mean family income (dollars)	71,852	69,926	73,779
Per capita income (dollars)	24,361	23,758	24,964
Nonfamily households			
Total nonfamily households	72,955	69,771	76,139
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	33,975	30,786	37,164
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	43,898	41,019	46,777
Median earnings (dollars):			
Male full-time, year-round workers	27,880	26,688	29,072
	45,120	42,586	47,654

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Female full-time, year-round workers	33,631	31,386	35,876
NUMBER BELOW POVERTY IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS			
Families	12,554	10,249	14,859
With related children under 18 years	11,227	8,836	13,618
With related children under 5 years only	2,705	1,855	3,555
Families with female householder, no husband present	6,597	5,478	7,716
With related children under 18 years	6,218	5,146	7,290
With related children under 5 years only	1,681	1,072	2,290
Individuals	60,622	54,437	66,807
18 years and over	34,967	32,016	37,918
65 years and over	1,896	997	2,795
Related children under 18 years	23,483	19,720	27,246
Related children 5 to 17 years	15,760	13,684	17,836
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	18,298	15,817	20,779
PERCENT BELOW POVERTY IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS			
Individuals	9.7	8.7	10.6
18 years and over	7.9	7.2	8.6
65 years and over	4.8	2.5	7.1
Related children under 18 years	12.8	10.8	14.9
Related children under 5 years	16.3	11.2	21.4
Related children 5 to 17 years	11.6	10.1	13.2
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	16.8	14.5	19.1

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.
- 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.
- 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 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.
2. An "" entry in the lower and upper bound columns indicates that no sample observations were available to compute a standard error and thus the lower and upper bounds. A statistical test is not appropriate.
3. An '-' entry in the estimate column indicates that no sample observations were available to compute an estimate.
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 lower and upper bound columns 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 lower and upper bound columns indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test is not appropriate.
8. An 'N' entry in the estimate, lower bound, and upper bound columns indicates that data for this geographic area cannot be displayed because the number of sample cases is too small.