

Alaska

S0102. Population 60 Years and Over in the United States

Data Set: **2006 American Community Survey**

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NOTE. 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.

For more information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see [Survey Methodology](#).

Subject	Total	Margin of Error	60 years and over	Margin of Error
Total population	670,053	*****	71,812	+/-2,083
SEX AND AGE				
Male	51.5%	+/-0.3	50.0%	+/-1.6
Female	48.5%	+/-0.3	50.0%	+/-1.6
Median age (years)	33.5	+/-0.3	67.4	+/-0.6
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN				
One race	91.9%	+/-0.7	97.8%	+/-0.6
White	68.7%	+/-0.4	75.8%	+/-1.4
Black or African American	3.2%	+/-0.4	2.1%	+/-0.7
American Indian and Alaska Native	13.1%	+/-0.4	13.2%	+/-0.9
Asian	4.5%	+/-0.3	5.8%	+/-0.8
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.6%	+/-0.1	0.0%	+/-0.2
Some other race	1.8%	+/-0.4	1.0%	+/-0.6
Two or more races	8.1%	+/-0.7	2.2%	+/-0.6
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	5.6%	+/-0.1	2.0%	+/-0.7
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	66.3%	+/-0.1	75.1%	+/-1.3
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	646,953	*****	69,638	+/-2,096
Householder or spouse	53.7%	+/-0.8	83.5%	+/-2.7
Parent	1.0%	+/-0.2	6.6%	+/-1.9
Other relatives	38.5%	+/-0.7	6.9%	+/-2.1
Nonrelatives	6.8%	+/-0.8	2.9%	+/-1.2
Unmarried partner	2.4%	+/-0.2	0.7%	+/-0.4
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Households	229,878	+/-2,779	41,834	+/-1,863
Family households	68.7%	+/-1.5	60.7%	+/-3.5
Married-couple families	51.0%	+/-1.5	49.5%	+/-3.4
Female householder, no husband present	12.2%	+/-1.0	8.1%	+/-1.4
Nonfamily households	31.3%	+/-1.5	39.3%	+/-3.5
Householder living alone	24.9%	+/-1.4	35.4%	+/-3.4
MARITAL STATUS				
Population 15 years and over	524,378	+/-1,179	71,812	+/-2,083
Now married, except separated	50.7%	+/-1.2	59.8%	+/-3.1
Widowed	3.9%	+/-0.4	20.2%	+/-2.0
Divorced	11.0%	+/-0.8	14.4%	+/-2.4
Separated	1.6%	+/-0.3	1.1%	+/-0.5
Never married	32.8%	+/-0.9	4.5%	+/-1.1
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	415,630	+/-2,155	71,812	+/-2,083
Less than high school graduate	10.3%	+/-0.8	19.1%	+/-1.9
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	28.7%	+/-1.2	27.7%	+/-2.2
Some college or associate's degree	34.2%	+/-1.2	26.7%	+/-2.7
Bachelor's degree or higher	26.9%	+/-1.2	26.5%	+/-2.6

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RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS				
Population 30 years and over	366,272	+/-1,818	71,812	+/-2,083
Living with grandchild(ren)	4.3%	+/-0.7	10.0%	+/-2.1
Responsible for grandchild(ren)	1.7%	+/-0.4	4.4%	+/-1.2
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	478,581	+/-1,639	71,812	+/-2,083
Civilian veteran	14.6%	+/-0.6	31.4%	+/-1.9
DISABILITY STATUS				
Civilian population 5 years and over	605,065	+/-1,896	70,780	+/-2,095
With any disability	15.0%	+/-0.8	41.2%	+/-3.0
No disability	85.0%	+/-0.8	58.8%	+/-3.0
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	659,992	+/-1,192	71,812	+/-2,083
Same house	78.1%	+/-1.2	89.9%	+/-2.1
Different house in the United States	21.2%	+/-1.2	9.8%	+/-2.1
Same county	12.0%	+/-1.0	5.6%	+/-1.9
Different county	9.2%	+/-0.9	4.2%	+/-1.3
Same state	3.5%	+/-0.5	1.4%	+/-0.7
Different state	5.7%	+/-0.7	2.8%	+/-1.1
Abroad	0.8%	+/-0.3	0.3%	+/-0.2
PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY				
Total population	670,053	*****	71,812	+/-2,083
Native	622,987	+/-3,744	64,204	+/-2,060
Foreign born	47,066	+/-3,744	7,608	+/-1,071
Entered 2000 or later	28.4%	+/-5.3	10.6%	+/-6.1
Entered 1990 to 1999	28.8%	+/-5.0	29.7%	+/-9.7
Entered before 1990	42.8%	+/-5.3	59.7%	+/-9.6
Naturalized U.S. citizen	47.6%	+/-4.3	63.2%	+/-9.7
Not a U.S. citizen	52.4%	+/-4.3	36.8%	+/-9.7
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH				
Population 5 years and over	622,572	+/-1,070	71,812	+/-2,083
English only	84.6%	+/-0.9	83.2%	+/-1.5
Language other than English	15.4%	+/-0.9	16.8%	+/-1.5
Speak English less than "very well"	5.9%	+/-0.6	9.2%	+/-1.2
EMPLOYMENT STATUS				
Population 16 years and over	512,833	+/-1,465	71,812	+/-2,083
In labor force	71.8%	+/-0.9	34.8%	+/-3.0
Civilian labor force	69.5%	+/-1.0	34.8%	+/-3.0
Employed	62.9%	+/-1.2	32.5%	+/-2.8
Unemployed	6.6%	+/-0.6	2.3%	+/-1.1
Percent of civilian labor force	9.4%	+/-0.8	6.5%	+/-2.9
Armed forces	2.3%	+/-0.3	0.0%	+/-0.2
Not in labor force	28.2%	+/-0.9	65.2%	+/-3.0
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2006 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)				
Households	229,878	+/-2,779	41,834	+/-1,863
With earnings	88.4%	+/-0.9	57.0%	+/-3.7
Mean earnings (dollars)	69,219	+/-1,686	59,050	+/-5,942
With Social Security income	16.1%	+/-0.8	67.5%	+/-2.9
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	13,135	+/-458	14,148	+/-460
With Supplemental Security Income	2.7%	+/-0.5	4.0%	+/-1.0
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	7,201	+/-431	6,264	+/-800
With cash public assistance income	6.3%	+/-0.7	7.9%	+/-1.4
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	4,132	+/-495	3,180	+/-398
With retirement income	16.3%	+/-1.0	48.3%	+/-3.1
Mean retirement income (dollars)	23,685	+/-1,410	24,825	+/-1,569
With Food Stamp benefits	8.3%	+/-0.9	5.0%	+/-1.1
POVERTY STATUS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS				
Population for whom poverty status is determined	651,997	+/-1,058	70,780	+/-2,095
Below 100 percent of the poverty level	10.9%	+/-1.1	5.6%	+/-1.3
100 to 149 percent of the poverty level	7.4%	+/-0.7	10.0%	+/-2.0
At or above 150 percent of the poverty level	81.7%	+/-1.3	84.5%	+/-2.5

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Occupied housing units	229,878	+/-2,779	41,834	+/-1,863
HOUSING TENURE				
Owner-occupied housing units	64.5%	+/-1.2	79.1%	+/-2.6
Renter-occupied housing units	35.5%	+/-1.2	20.9%	+/-2.6
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.93	+/-0.06	2.13	+/-0.10
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.60	+/-0.08	1.84	+/-0.19
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
No telephone service available	3.7%	+/-0.6	1.1%	+/-0.5
1.01 or more occupants per room	7.0%	+/-0.8	2.3%	+/-0.7
Owner-occupied housing units	148,249	+/-3,302	33,101	+/-1,660
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS				
Less than 30 percent	73.0%	+/-1.9	76.3%	+/-2.9
30 percent or more	27.0%	+/-1.9	23.7%	+/-2.9
OWNER CHARACTERISTICS				
Median value (dollars)	213,200	+/-4,020	210,900	+/-7,829
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	1,611	+/-35	1,318	+/-128
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	463	+/-17	465	+/-23
Renter-occupied housing units	81,629	+/-2,772	8,733	+/-1,199
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS				
Less than 30 percent	62.2%	+/-2.7	54.1%	+/-7.7
30 percent or more	37.8%	+/-2.7	45.9%	+/-7.7
GROSS RENT				
Median gross rent (dollars)	883	+/-23	766	+/-76

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 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 60 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 60 years and over.
- Within the population 60 years and older, different definitions of "with any disability" are used for the subgroup aged 60 to 64 and the subgroup aged 65 and older. For people aged 60 to 64, "with any disability" is defined as having at least one of the six different types of disability. For people aged 65 and over, "with any disability" is defined as having at least one of five different types of disability. Work disability is not incorporated into the definition of "with any disability" for people aged 65 and over.
- While the 2006 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the December 2005 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.

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.
5. 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.
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.