

Alaska

S2302. Employment Characteristics of Families

Data Set: 2006 American Community Survey

Survey: 2006 American Community Survey

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

Subject	Total	Margin of Error	Families with own children under 18 years	Margin of Error
Families	157,939	+/-4,094	82,894	+/-3,665
EMPLOYMENT STATUS CHARACTERISTICS				
Married-couple families	117,329	+/-3,572	55,831	+/-3,039
Both husband and wife in labor force	59.0%	+/-1.9	64.0%	+/-3.1
Husband in labor force, wife not in labor force	22.5%	+/-1.7	28.5%	+/-2.9
Wife in labor force, husband not in labor force	7.6%	+/-1.0	5.1%	+/-1.5
Both husband and wife not in labor force	10.9%	+/-1.2	2.5%	+/-0.9
Other families	40,610	+/-2,570	27,063	+/-2,262
Female householder, no husband present	69.1%	+/-3.1	72.5%	+/-3.9
In labor force	52.2%	+/-3.5	58.9%	+/-4.1
Not in labor force	16.9%	+/-2.9	13.6%	+/-3.8
Male householder, no wife present	30.9%	+/-3.1	27.5%	+/-3.9
In labor force	26.9%	+/-2.9	26.1%	+/-3.9
Not in labor force	4.0%	+/-0.9	1.4%	+/-0.6
WORK STATUS CHARACTERISTICS				
Families	157,939	+/-4,094	82,894	+/-3,665
No workers in the past 12 months	7.8%	+/-0.9	3.5%	+/-1.0
1 worker in the past 12 months	30.3%	+/-1.6	38.0%	+/-2.5
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	61.9%	+/-1.6	58.5%	+/-2.5
Married-couple families	117,329	+/-3,572	55,831	+/-3,039
Householder worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	50.5%	+/-1.8	56.7%	+/-3.3
Spouse worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	24.1%	+/-1.7	25.7%	+/-2.9
Householder worked part-time or part-year in the past 12 months	31.7%	+/-1.5	32.8%	+/-2.8
Spouse worked part-time or part-year in the past 12 months	15.1%	+/-1.1	15.6%	+/-2.1
Householder did not work in the past 12 months	17.8%	+/-1.5	10.5%	+/-1.8
Spouse did not work in the past 12 months	8.3%	+/-1.1	1.2%	+/-0.5

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:

- 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](#).
- 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.
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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.
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