



Alaska

Selected Housing Characteristics: 2007

Data Set: **2007 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates**

Survey: **American Community Survey**

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](#).

Selected Housing Characteristics	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	282,271	+/-98	100%	(X)
Occupied housing units	236,421	+/-2,731	83.8%	+/-1.0
Vacant housing units	45,850	+/-2,742	16.2%	+/-1.0
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.4	+/-0.4	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	6.0	+/-1.2	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	282,271	+/-98	100%	(X)
1-unit, detached	170,696	+/-3,115	60.5%	+/-1.1
1-unit, attached	22,493	+/-2,146	8.0%	+/-0.8
2 units	14,109	+/-1,912	5.0%	+/-0.7
3 or 4 units	20,563	+/-2,349	7.3%	+/-0.8
5 to 9 units	16,495	+/-1,804	5.8%	+/-0.6
10 to 19 units	7,088	+/-1,306	2.5%	+/-0.5
20 or more units	16,225	+/-1,844	5.7%	+/-0.7
Mobile home	14,284	+/-1,643	5.1%	+/-0.6
Boat, RV, van, etc.	318	+/-258	0.1%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	282,271	+/-98	100%	(X)
Built 2005 or later	6,579	+/-1,293	2.3%	+/-0.5
Built 2000 to 2004	22,150	+/-2,168	7.8%	+/-0.8
Built 1990 to 1999	41,733	+/-2,513	14.8%	+/-0.9
Built 1980 to 1989	78,793	+/-3,008	27.9%	+/-1.1

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Built 1970 to 1979	75,822	+/-3,369	26.9%	+/-1.2
Built 1960 to 1969	27,020	+/-2,355	9.6%	+/-0.8
Built 1950 to 1959	16,814	+/-1,852	6.0%	+/-0.7
Built 1940 to 1949	6,432	+/-1,082	2.3%	+/-0.4
Built 1939 or earlier	6,928	+/-1,067	2.5%	+/-0.4
ROOMS				
Total housing units	282,271	+/-98	100%	(X)
1 room	13,560	+/-1,260	4.8%	+/-0.4
2 rooms	20,687	+/-2,159	7.3%	+/-0.8
3 rooms	38,199	+/-2,724	13.5%	+/-1.0
4 rooms	57,750	+/-2,786	20.5%	+/-1.0
5 rooms	52,982	+/-3,156	18.8%	+/-1.1
6 rooms	38,244	+/-2,530	13.5%	+/-0.9
7 rooms	27,507	+/-2,140	9.7%	+/-0.8
8 rooms	17,972	+/-1,701	6.4%	+/-0.6
9 rooms or more	15,370	+/-1,731	5.4%	+/-0.6
Median (rooms)	4.7	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	282,271	+/-98	100%	(X)
No bedroom	15,552	+/-1,386	5.5%	+/-0.5
1 bedroom	40,157	+/-2,802	14.2%	+/-1.0
2 bedrooms	76,525	+/-3,179	27.1%	+/-1.1
3 bedrooms	100,191	+/-2,888	35.5%	+/-1.0
4 bedrooms	39,960	+/-2,599	14.2%	+/-0.9
5 or more bedrooms	9,886	+/-1,291	3.5%	+/-0.5
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	236,421	+/-2,731	100%	(X)
Owner-occupied	149,018	+/-3,290	63.0%	+/-1.4
Renter-occupied	87,403	+/-3,597	37.0%	+/-1.4
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.97	+/-0.05	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.51	+/-0.06	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	236,421	+/-2,731	100%	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	84,966	+/-3,933	35.9%	+/-1.5
Moved in 2000 to 2004	60,245	+/-3,034	25.5%	+/-1.3
Moved in 1990 to 1999	50,101	+/-2,657	21.2%	+/-1.1
Moved in 1980 to 1989	26,007	+/-1,587	11.0%	+/-0.7
Moved in 1970 to 1979	11,645	+/-1,390	4.9%	+/-0.6
Moved in 1969 or earlier	3,457	+/-689	1.5%	+/-0.3
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	236,421	+/-2,731	100%	(X)
No vehicles available	23,447	+/-1,996	9.9%	+/-0.8
1 vehicle available	75,319	+/-3,348	31.9%	+/-1.3
2 vehicles available	89,015	+/-3,894	37.7%	+/-1.6

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3 or more vehicles available	48,640	+/-2,781	20.6%	+/-1.2
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	236,421	+/-2,731	100%	(X)
Utility gas	115,521	+/-2,816	48.9%	+/-1.1
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	4,514	+/-950	1.9%	+/-0.4
Electricity	22,230	+/-2,128	9.4%	+/-0.9
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	81,151	+/-2,364	34.3%	+/-1.0
Coal or coke	883	+/-600	0.4%	+/-0.3
Wood	10,476	+/-1,209	4.4%	+/-0.5
Solar energy	0	+/-237	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	1,069	+/-421	0.5%	+/-0.2
No fuel used	577	+/-287	0.2%	+/-0.1
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	236,421	+/-2,731	100%	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	10,280	+/-1,182	4.3%	+/-0.5
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	9,794	+/-1,237	4.1%	+/-0.5
No telephone service available	5,535	+/-1,041	2.3%	+/-0.4
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	236,421	+/-2,731	100%	(X)
1.00 or less	221,163	+/-2,814	93.5%	+/-0.8
1.01 to 1.50	10,435	+/-1,621	4.4%	+/-0.7
1.51 or more	4,823	+/-748	2.0%	+/-0.3
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	149,018	+/-3,290	100%	(X)
Less than \$50,000	9,035	+/-1,323	6.1%	+/-0.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	9,658	+/-1,174	6.5%	+/-0.8
\$100,000 to \$149,999	15,190	+/-1,486	10.2%	+/-0.9
\$150,000 to \$199,999	24,090	+/-1,914	16.2%	+/-1.2
\$200,000 to \$299,999	44,939	+/-2,298	30.2%	+/-1.4
\$300,000 to \$499,999	36,658	+/-2,596	24.6%	+/-1.7
\$500,000 to \$999,999	8,350	+/-1,267	5.6%	+/-0.8
\$1,000,000 or more	1,098	+/-380	0.7%	+/-0.3
Median (dollars)	231,300	+/-4,135	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS AND SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS				
Owner-occupied units	149,018	+/-3,290	100%	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	106,434	+/-3,482	100%	(X)
Less than \$300	243	+/-196	0.2%	+/-0.1
\$300 to \$499	1,774	+/-478	1.2%	+/-0.3
\$500 to \$699	2,345	+/-597	1.6%	+/-0.4
\$700 to \$999	9,181	+/-1,219	6.2%	+/-0.8
\$1,000 to \$1,499	26,320	+/-1,844	17.7%	+/-1.2
\$1,500 to \$1,999	30,867	+/-2,409	20.7%	+/-1.5
\$2,000 or more	35,704	+/-2,603	24.0%	+/-1.6
Median (dollars)	1,711	+/-33	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	42,584	+/-2,470	100%	(X)

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Less than \$100	810	+/-294	0.5%	+/-0.2
\$100 to \$199	3,070	+/-640	2.1%	+/-0.4
\$200 to \$299	4,568	+/-879	3.1%	+/-0.6
\$300 to \$399	6,133	+/-1,041	4.1%	+/-0.7
\$400 or more	28,003	+/-1,908	18.8%	+/-1.3
Median (dollars)	522	+/-20	(X)	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME				
Owner-occupied units	149,018	+/-3,290	100%	(X)
Housing unit with a mortgage	106,434	+/-3,482	100%	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	38,032	+/-2,427	25.5%	+/-1.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	18,046	+/-2,044	12.1%	+/-1.4
25.0 to 29.9 percent	13,067	+/-1,678	8.8%	+/-1.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	10,365	+/-1,352	7.0%	+/-0.9
35.0 percent or more	26,812	+/-2,513	18.0%	+/-1.5
Not computed	112	+/-130	100%	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage	42,584	+/-2,470	100%	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	19,710	+/-1,584	13.2%	+/-1.0
10.0 to 14.9 percent	8,149	+/-1,099	5.5%	+/-0.7
15.0 to 19.9 percent	4,928	+/-932	3.3%	+/-0.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	3,196	+/-685	2.1%	+/-0.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,708	+/-538	1.1%	+/-0.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,113	+/-395	0.7%	+/-0.3
35.0 percent or more	3,554	+/-586	2.4%	+/-0.4
Not computed	226	+/-177	100%	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Renter-occupied units	87,403	+/-3,597	100%	(X)
Less than \$200	738	+/-417	0.8%	+/-0.5
\$200 to \$299	1,901	+/-709	2.2%	+/-0.8
\$300 to \$499	6,141	+/-1,169	7.0%	+/-1.4
\$500 to \$749	16,753	+/-1,771	19.2%	+/-1.9
\$750 to \$999	19,910	+/-1,906	22.8%	+/-2.0
\$1,000 to \$1,499	21,560	+/-3,032	24.7%	+/-3.1
\$1,500 or more	10,346	+/-1,764	11.8%	+/-1.9
No cash rent	10,054	+/-1,316	100%	(X)
Median (dollars)	918	+/-29	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME				
Renter-occupied units	87,403	+/-3,597	100%	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	13,349	+/-1,753	15.3%	+/-1.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	11,635	+/-1,507	13.3%	+/-1.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	11,106	+/-1,504	12.7%	+/-1.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	8,298	+/-1,544	9.5%	+/-1.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	6,906	+/-1,056	7.9%	+/-1.2
35.0 percent or more	25,637	+/-2,149	29.3%	+/-2.2
Not computed	10,472	+/-1,347	100%	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007 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 median gross rent excludes no cash renters.
- While the 2007 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the December 2006 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. The 2007 Puerto Rico Community Survey (PRCS) 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 PRCS tables may differ from the OMB definitions due to differences in the effective dates of the geographic entities.
- Estimates of urban and rural population, housing units, and characteristics reflect boundaries of urban areas defined based on Census 2000 data. Boundaries for urban areas have not been updated since Census 2000. As a result, data for urban and rural areas from the ACS do not necessarily reflect the results of ongoing urbanization.

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. Selected migration, earnings, and income data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with group quarters data collection and imputation. See [Errata Note #44](#) for details.

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