

Alaska

S0103. Population 65 Years and Over in the United States

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](#).

Subject	Total	Margin of Error	65 years and over	Margin of Error
Total population	683,478	*****	47,081	+/-1,179
SEX AND AGE				
Male	52.3%	+/-0.3	47.1%	+/-1.3
Female	47.7%	+/-0.3	52.9%	+/-1.3
Median age (years)	33.3	+/-0.3	72.1	+/-0.4
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN				
One race	93.1%	+/-0.6	97.3%	+/-0.9
White	68.1%	+/-0.4	74.9%	+/-1.7
Black or African American	3.8%	+/-0.3	1.2%	+/-1.0
American Indian and Alaska Native	13.5%	+/-0.5	14.1%	+/-1.5
Asian	4.8%	+/-0.3	6.3%	+/-0.9
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.7%	+/-0.2	0.3%	+/-0.3
Some other race	2.3%	+/-0.4	0.5%	+/-0.4
Two or more races	6.9%	+/-0.6	2.7%	+/-0.9
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	5.6%	+/-0.1	1.6%	+/-0.9
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	66.0%	+/-0.1	73.9%	+/-1.7
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	661,167	*****	46,086	+/-1,194
Householder or spouse	54.4%	+/-0.7	84.2%	+/-3.0
Parent	1.2%	+/-0.3	10.8%	+/-2.8
Other relatives	37.5%	+/-0.7	3.6%	+/-1.5
Nonrelatives	6.9%	+/-0.6	1.4%	+/-0.6
Unmarried partner	2.7%	+/-0.3	0.5%	+/-0.4
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Households	236,421	+/-2,731	27,683	+/-1,315
Family households	68.7%	+/-1.4	55.4%	+/-3.9
Married-couple family	51.7%	+/-1.6	44.7%	+/-3.5
Female householder, no husband present, family	11.3%	+/-0.9	8.2%	+/-2.2
Nonfamily households	31.3%	+/-1.4	44.6%	+/-3.9
Householder living alone	24.1%	+/-1.3	41.7%	+/-3.8
MARITAL STATUS				
Population 15 years and over	537,579	+/-1,393	47,081	+/-1,179
Now married, except separated	50.7%	+/-1.3	56.1%	+/-3.4
Widowed	3.3%	+/-0.3	26.1%	+/-2.8
Divorced	11.5%	+/-0.8	13.6%	+/-2.0
Separated	2.0%	+/-0.3	1.7%	+/-0.9
Never married	32.5%	+/-1.0	2.4%	+/-0.9
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	421,818	+/-2,623	47,081	+/-1,179
Less than high school graduate	9.5%	+/-0.7	22.3%	+/-2.5
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	30.2%	+/-1.2	32.3%	+/-2.9
Some college or associate's degree	34.3%	+/-1.3	24.1%	+/-2.4

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Bachelor's degree or higher	26.0%	+/-1.0	21.4%	+/-2.4
RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS				
Population 30 years and over	370,812	+/-2,166	47,081	+/-1,179
Living with grandchild(ren)	4.3%	+/-0.7	9.6%	+/-2.5
Responsible for grandchild(ren)	1.6%	+/-0.3	1.9%	+/-0.8
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	485,178	+/-1,575	47,081	+/-1,179
Civilian veteran	15.4%	+/-0.8	30.2%	+/-1.7
DISABILITY STATUS				
Civilian population 5 years and over	609,541	+/-1,773	46,163	+/-1,187
With any disability	14.8%	+/-0.6	47.8%	+/-3.1
No disability	85.2%	+/-0.6	52.2%	+/-3.1
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	673,007	+/-1,494	47,081	+/-1,179
Same house	78.7%	+/-1.4	93.1%	+/-1.9
Different house in the United States	20.0%	+/-1.3	6.9%	+/-1.9
Same county	11.6%	+/-1.2	4.0%	+/-1.3
Different county	8.4%	+/-0.8	2.9%	+/-1.5
Same state	3.0%	+/-0.5	0.4%	+/-0.2
Different state	5.4%	+/-0.6	2.5%	+/-1.5
Abroad	1.2%	+/-0.4	0.0%	+/-0.1
PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY				
Total population	683,478	*****	47,081	+/-1,179
Native	634,550	+/-3,479	40,962	+/-1,412
Foreign born	48,928	+/-3,479	6,119	+/-966
Entered 2000 or later	27.6%	+/-3.8	9.2%	+/-6.4
Entered 1990 to 1999	27.9%	+/-4.0	15.6%	+/-9.2
Entered before 1990	44.5%	+/-3.7	75.3%	+/-8.5
Naturalized U.S. citizen	51.2%	+/-3.6	67.5%	+/-8.6
Not a U.S. citizen	48.8%	+/-3.6	32.5%	+/-8.6
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH				
Population 5 years and over	632,806	+/-1,002	47,081	+/-1,179
English only	84.1%	+/-0.8	80.1%	+/-2.2
Language other than English	15.9%	+/-0.8	19.9%	+/-2.2
Speak English less than "very well"	6.3%	+/-0.5	11.2%	+/-1.6
EMPLOYMENT STATUS				
Civilian population 16 years and over	509,720	+/-2,438	47,081	+/-1,179
In labor force	70.9%	+/-0.8	20.0%	+/-2.8
Employed	64.7%	+/-0.9	18.1%	+/-2.7
Unemployed	6.2%	+/-0.5	1.9%	+/-1.1
Percent of civilian labor force	8.8%	+/-0.7	9.3%	+/-5.2
Not in labor force	29.1%	+/-0.8	80.0%	+/-2.8
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2007 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)				
Households	236,421	+/-2,731	27,683	+/-1,315
With earnings	88.3%	+/-0.7	43.5%	+/-4.0
Mean earnings (dollars)	75,104	+/-2,562	48,734	+/-7,780
With Social Security income	17.2%	+/-0.7	89.4%	+/-2.5
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	13,735	+/-456	14,848	+/-608
With Supplemental Security Income	3.2%	+/-0.4	6.4%	+/-1.6
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	6,906	+/-783	4,586	+/-864
With cash public assistance income	6.1%	+/-0.6	13.1%	+/-2.6
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	4,042	+/-518	3,985	+/-906
With retirement income	17.0%	+/-0.9	54.8%	+/-3.3
Mean retirement income (dollars)	26,687	+/-1,667	27,888	+/-2,816
With Food Stamp benefits	7.4%	+/-0.8	4.0%	+/-1.7
POVERTY STATUS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS				
Population for whom poverty status is determined	666,618	+/-1,056	46,163	+/-1,187
Below 100 percent of the poverty level	8.9%	+/-0.8	5.4%	+/-1.5
100 to 149 percent of the poverty level	7.7%	+/-0.7	10.1%	+/-2.1
At or above 150 percent of the poverty level	83.4%	+/-1.0	84.6%	+/-2.5

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Occupied housing units	236,421	+/-2,731	27,683	+/-1,315
HOUSING TENURE				
Owner-occupied housing units	63.0%	+/-1.4	75.3%	+/-3.6
Renter-occupied housing units	37.0%	+/-1.4	24.7%	+/-3.6
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.97	+/-0.05	2.18	+/-0.17
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.51	+/-0.06	1.57	+/-0.20
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
No telephone service available	2.3%	+/-0.4	0.7%	+/-0.5
1.01 or more occupants per room	6.5%	+/-0.8	1.9%	+/-0.9
Owner-occupied housing units	149,018	+/-3,290	20,833	+/-1,349
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS				
Less than 30 percent	71.9%	+/-1.6	76.1%	+/-3.6
30 percent or more	28.1%	+/-1.6	23.9%	+/-3.6
OWNER CHARACTERISTICS				
Median value (dollars)	231,300	+/-4,135	219,700	+/-11,255
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	1,711	+/-33	1,320	+/-147
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	522	+/-20	507	+/-28
Renter-occupied housing units	87,403	+/-3,597	6,850	+/-1,076
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS				
Less than 30 percent	62.8%	+/-2.4	47.6%	+/-7.5
30 percent or more	37.2%	+/-2.4	52.4%	+/-7.5
GROSS RENT				
Median gross rent (dollars)	918	+/-29	644	+/-118

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 65 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 65 years and over.
- 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.