

Alaska

S0901. Children Characteristics

Data Set: 2008 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates
Survey: American Community Survey

NOTE. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see Survey Methodology.

Subject	Total	Margin of Error	In married-couple family household	Margin of Error	In male householder, no wife present, family household	Margin of Error	In female householder, no husband present, family household	Margin of Error
Children under 18 years in households	179,822	+/-1,298	123,576	+/-5,089	18,085	+/-3,004	36,489	+/-4,634
AGE								
Under 6 years	33.5%	+/-1.0	33.8%	+/-1.5	35.0%	+/-5.1	32.1%	+/-3.4
6 to 11 years	32.2%	+/-1.4	31.8%	+/-1.5	31.2%	+/-5.3	34.4%	+/-3.5
12 to 17 years	34.4%	+/-1.4	34.5%	+/-1.7	33.7%	+/-5.2	33.5%	+/-3.7
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN								
One race	84.9%	+/-1.5	88.8%	+/-2.0	74.9%	+/-6.7	76.4%	+/-4.3
White	60.3%	+/-0.9	67.1%	+/-1.9	42.5%	+/-8.0	45.0%	+/-4.7
Black or African American	3.7%	+/-1.2	3.6%	+/-1.5	4.7%	+/-3.9	3.8%	+/-2.5
American Indian and Alaska Native	15.1%	+/-0.9	12.4%	+/-1.2	20.5%	+/-5.7	22.1%	+/-3.9
Asian	3.6%	+/-0.6	3.2%	+/-0.9	6.5%	+/-6.2	3.7%	+/-1.6
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.7%	+/-0.1	0.4%	+/-0.3	0.7%	+/-0.9	1.7%	+/-1.5
Some other race	1.4%	+/-0.6	2.0%	+/-0.8	0.0%	+/-0.7	0.2%	+/-0.4
Two or more races	15.1%	+/-1.5	11.2%	+/-2.0	25.1%	+/-6.7	23.6%	+/-4.3
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	8.6%	+/-0.3	8.0%	+/-1.2	9.8%	+/-5.2	10.3%	+/-3.7
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	55.5%	+/-0.4	62.6%	+/-1.9	36.3%	+/-8.1	39.8%	+/-4.8
RELATIONSHIP TO HOUSEHOLDER								
Own child (biological, step or adopted)	89.4%	+/-1.4	92.5%	+/-1.7	87.3%	+/-4.6	83.7%	+/-3.8
Grandchild	5.6%	+/-1.1	4.4%	+/-1.3	3.3%	+/-1.6	11.0%	+/-3.2
Other relatives	2.5%	+/-0.7	2.1%	+/-0.9	5.3%	+/-3.6	2.5%	+/-1.4
Foster child or other unrelated child	2.5%	+/-0.7	0.9%	+/-0.5	4.0%	+/-2.9	2.8%	+/-1.6
CITIZENSHIP STATUS								
Native	98.3%	+/-0.8	97.9%	+/-1.1	99.1%	+/-1.5	99.4%	+/-0.6
Foreign born	1.7%	+/-0.8	2.1%	+/-1.1	0.9%	+/-1.5	0.6%	+/-0.6
PRESENCE OF OTHER ADULTS								
Unmarried partner of householder present	10.0%	+/-1.5	(X)	(X)	50.8%	+/-8.0	20.9%	+/-3.8
DISABILITY STATUS								
Civilian children under 18 years in households	179,822	+/-1,298	123,576	+/-5,089	18,085	+/-3,004	36,489	+/-4,634
With any disability	3.8%	+/-0.7	3.6%	+/-0.9	4.1%	+/-2.1	4.3%	+/-1.6
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT								
Children 3 to 17 years in households	146,955	+/-2,229	100,858	+/-4,622	14,848	+/-2,647	29,774	+/-3,979
Enrolled in school	131,244	+/-2,358	90,669	+/-4,105	12,280	+/-2,432	27,010	+/-3,669
Public	87.6%	+/-1.9	84.1%	+/-2.7	96.2%	+/-2.5	94.8%	+/-2.3
Private	12.4%	+/-1.9	15.9%	+/-2.7	3.8%	+/-2.5	5.2%	+/-2.3
Not enrolled in school	15,711	+/-2,202	10,189	+/-1,773	2,568	+/-820	2,764	+/-1,033
MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2008 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS) FOR FAMILIES WITH OWN CHILDREN								
Median income (dollars)	73,105	+/-3,388	91,593	+/-3,842	43,267	+/-9,870	34,019	+/-2,654
Children under 18 years in households	179,822	+/-1,298	123,576	+/-5,089	18,085	+/-3,004	36,489	+/-4,634
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS								
Children living in households with Supplemental Security Income (SSI), cash public assistance income, or Food Stamp benefits	18.3%	+/-1.9	12.0%	+/-1.9	29.7%	+/-7.1	33.9%	+/-5.7
POVERTY STATUS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS								
Children in households for whom poverty status is determined	176,675	+/-1,645	122,637	+/-5,084	17,441	+/-2,929	36,010	+/-4,603
Income in the past 12 months below poverty level	11.0%	+/-1.7	4.8%	+/-1.2	18.4%	+/-5.6	27.4%	+/-5.9
Income in the past 12 months at or above poverty level	89.0%	+/-1.7	95.2%	+/-1.2	81.6%	+/-5.6	72.6%	+/-5.9
HOUSING TENURE								
Children under 18 years in occupied housing units	179,822	+/-1,298	123,576	+/-5,089	18,085	+/-3,004	36,489	+/-4,634
In owner-occupied housing units	65.5%	+/-2.2	75.7%	+/-2.3	61.3%	+/-9.0	33.7%	+/-4.8
In renter-occupied housing units	34.5%	+/-2.2	24.3%	+/-2.3	38.7%	+/-9.0	66.3%	+/-4.8

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 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:

- Excludes householders, spouses, and unmarried partners.
- Foreign born excludes people born outside the United States to a parent who is a U.S. citizen.
- The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Accordingly, comparisons of disability data from 2008 or later with data from prior years are not recommended. For more information on these questions and their evaluation in the 2006 ACS Content Test, see the Evaluation Report Covering Disability.
- Public assistance includes receipt of Supplemental Security Income (SSI), cash public assistance income, or Food Stamps.
- While the 2008 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2007 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 2008 Puerto Rico Community Survey (PRCS) data generally reflect the November 2007 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.