

## Alaska

### S1701. Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months

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	Below poverty level	Margin of Error	Percent below poverty level	Margin of Error
<b>Population for whom poverty status is determined</b>	<b>669,783</b>	<b>+/-1,041</b>	<b>56,396</b>	<b>+/-5,471</b>	<b>8.4%</b>	<b>+/-0.8</b>
<b>AGE</b>						
Under 18 years	176,986	+/-1,606	19,549	+/-2,939	11.0%	+/-1.7
Related children under 18 years	175,244	+/-1,778	18,135	+/-2,830	10.3%	+/-1.6
18 to 64 years	445,082	+/-1,611	35,058	+/-3,421	7.9%	+/-0.8
65 years and over	47,715	+/-912	1,789	+/-635	3.7%	+/-1.3
<b>SEX</b>						
Male	345,467	+/-1,773	28,743	+/-3,236	8.3%	+/-0.9
Female	324,316	+/-1,886	27,653	+/-3,033	8.5%	+/-0.9
<b>RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN</b>						
One race	N	N	N	N	N	N
White	463,821	+/-3,110	27,860	+/-3,787	6.0%	+/-0.8
Black or African American	23,522	+/-3,334	2,024	+/-1,255	8.6%	+/-5.3
American Indian and Alaska Native	84,847	+/-3,673	16,976	+/-2,072	20.0%	+/-2.4
Asian	31,534	+/-1,879	2,870	+/-1,058	9.1%	+/-3.2
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N	N	N	N	N	N
Some other race	N	N	N	N	N	N
Two or more races	53,859	+/-4,397	5,846	+/-1,774	10.9%	+/-3.1
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	41,641	+/-1,776	4,070	+/-1,570	9.8%	+/-3.6
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	440,258	+/-1,281	25,738	+/-3,579	5.8%	+/-0.8
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>						
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>	<b>417,733</b>	<b>+/-2,701</b>	<b>27,053</b>	<b>+/-2,884</b>	<b>6.5%</b>	<b>+/-0.7</b>
Less than high school graduate	34,090	+/-2,678	5,908	+/-1,275	17.3%	+/-3.4
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	108,999	+/-4,913	10,126	+/-1,767	9.3%	+/-1.5
Some college, associate's degree	158,810	+/-5,006	8,017	+/-1,357	5.0%	+/-0.8
Bachelor's degree or higher	115,834	+/-4,760	3,002	+/-879	2.6%	+/-0.8
<b>EMPLOYMENT STATUS</b>						
<b>Civilian labor force 16 years and over</b>	<b>364,868</b>	<b>+/-5,636</b>	<b>21,771</b>	<b>+/-2,685</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>+/-0.7</b>
Employed	336,721	+/-5,326	16,618	+/-2,231	4.9%	+/-0.6
Male	178,536	+/-4,226	8,625	+/-1,731	4.8%	+/-0.9
Female	158,185	+/-3,291	7,993	+/-1,317	5.1%	+/-0.8
Unemployed	28,147	+/-2,672	5,153	+/-1,227	18.3%	+/-3.6
Male	16,911	+/-2,137	3,083	+/-967	18.2%	+/-4.5
Female	11,236	+/-1,605	2,070	+/-590	18.4%	+/-4.8
<b>WORK EXPERIENCE</b>						
<b>Population 16 years and over</b>	<b>513,623</b>	<b>+/-2,076</b>	<b>38,865</b>	<b>+/-3,893</b>	<b>7.6%</b>	<b>+/-0.7</b>
Worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	222,856	+/-5,001	3,484	+/-1,073	1.6%	+/-0.5
Worked part-time or part-year in the past 12 months	186,794	+/-5,419	21,500	+/-2,508	11.5%	+/-1.3
Did not work	103,973	+/-3,884	13,881	+/-2,069	13.4%	+/-1.9
<b>All individuals below:</b>						
50 percent of poverty level	24,077	+/-3,168	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
125 percent of poverty level	79,582	+/-6,124	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
150 percent of poverty level	101,296	+/-6,302	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
185 percent of poverty level	135,705	+/-6,974	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)

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200 percent of poverty level	153,339	+/-7,750	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
<b>Unrelated individuals for whom poverty status is determined</b>	<b>138,909</b>	<b>+/-6,233</b>	<b>23,926</b>	<b>+/-2,767</b>	<b>17.2%</b>	<b>+/-1.8</b>
Male	77,763	+/-4,482	12,732	+/-1,972	16.4%	+/-2.2
Female	61,146	+/-3,307	11,194	+/-1,828	18.3%	+/-2.9
Mean income deficit for unrelated individuals (dollars)	5,924	+/-412	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	65,533	+/-4,325	2,288	+/-878	3.5%	+/-1.3
Worked less than full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	49,915	+/-3,996	13,079	+/-2,096	26.2%	+/-3.4
Did not work	23,461	+/-2,252	8,559	+/-1,585	36.5%	+/-5.4
<b>PERCENT IMPUTED</b>						
Poverty status for individuals	16.9%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)

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:**

-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.