

Alaska

S1702. Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months of Families

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	All families				Married-couple families				Female householder, no husband present			
	Total	Margin of Error	Percent below poverty level	Margin of Error	Total	Margin of Error	Percent below poverty level	Margin of Error	Total	Margin of Error	Percent below poverty level	Margin of Error
Families	157,273	+/-3,920	5.7%	+/-0.8	116,181	+/-3,856	2.0%	+/-0.5	25,079	+/-2,388	19.2%	+/-3.9
With related children under 18 years	87,651	+/-4,092	9.0%	+/-1.5	57,074	+/-3,573	2.8%	+/-0.8	19,873	+/-2,249	23.1%	+/-5.0
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN												
Families with a householder who is--												
One race	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
White	115,355	+/-3,347	3.5%	+/-0.8	93,969	+/-3,185	1.1%	+/-0.4	12,896	+/-1,732	17.4%	+/-5.5
Black or African American	5,326	+/-1,067	6.8%	+/-6.3	2,778	+/-808	0.0%	+/-4.7	1,413	+/-569	3.4%	+/-6.0
American Indian and Alaska Native	18,242	+/-1,198	15.8%	+/-3.3	9,284	+/-845	8.5%	+/-2.5	5,767	+/-796	27.5%	+/-8.0
Asian	6,868	+/-867	11.0%	+/-6.0	4,576	+/-742	8.0%	+/-6.1	1,628	+/-668	24.1%	+/-18.9
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Some other race	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Two or more races	8,940	+/-1,536	9.2%	+/-5.2	4,105	+/-966	1.6%	+/-2.3	2,591	+/-736	14.6%	+/-10.7
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	7,117	+/-1,439	7.3%	+/-4.8	4,962	+/-1,269	0.8%	+/-1.5	1,689	+/-644	25.6%	+/-17.3
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	111,181	+/-3,397	3.3%	+/-0.8	90,676	+/-3,416	1.1%	+/-0.4	12,241	+/-1,716	16.5%	+/-5.4
Householder worked	130,845	+/-4,069	4.9%	+/-0.8	96,598	+/-3,817	1.4%	+/-0.4	20,092	+/-2,300	17.9%	+/-4.2
Householder worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	84,143	+/-3,538	1.1%	+/-0.6	63,269	+/-3,494	0.4%	+/-0.3	11,980	+/-1,483	4.7%	+/-3.3
Householder 65 years and over	17,343	+/-1,203	3.4%	+/-1.9	13,916	+/-1,008	3.3%	+/-2.3	2,652	+/-659	4.1%	+/-4.9
Family received --												
Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and/or cash public assistance income in the past 12 months	11,633	+/-1,368	24.6%	+/-5.8	4,914	+/-1,022	13.2%	+/-5.6	4,724	+/-908	34.1%	+/-10.9
Social security income in the past 12 months	26,368	+/-1,931	3.1%	+/-1.2	19,890	+/-1,367	2.0%	+/-1.3	4,934	+/-1,055	6.9%	+/-5.1
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF HOUSEHOLDER												
Less than high school graduate	10,645	+/-1,379	20.1%	+/-5.6	5,512	+/-985	7.8%	+/-3.6	3,217	+/-832	37.0%	+/-13.1
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	36,919	+/-2,801	9.7%	+/-2.0	24,093	+/-1,871	2.3%	+/-0.8	7,492	+/-1,354	30.1%	+/-7.9
Some college, associate's degree	64,585	+/-3,674	4.1%	+/-1.0	48,080	+/-3,223	2.1%	+/-0.8	10,210	+/-1,672	11.1%	+/-3.6
Bachelor's degree or higher	45,124	+/-2,441	1.3%	+/-0.6	38,496	+/-2,560	0.8%	+/-0.4	4,160	+/-1,121	6.1%	+/-4.7
NUMBER OF RELATED CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS												
No child	69,622	+/-2,754	1.6%	+/-0.7	59,107	+/-2,476	1.1%	+/-0.6	5,206	+/-1,069	4.6%	+/-3.2
1 or 2 children	67,600	+/-3,941	7.4%	+/-1.6	42,230	+/-3,264	1.5%	+/-0.8	16,043	+/-2,061	19.5%	+/-5.1

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3 or 4 children	17,216	+/-1,901	13.1%	+/-3.8	12,440	+/-1,713	4.1%	+/-1.7	3,630	+/-922	37.5%	+/-13.1
5 or more children	2,835	+/-718	21.8%	+/-7.6	2,404	+/-663	18.9%	+/-7.5	200	+/-150	51.5%	+/-43.4
NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN FAMILY												
2 people	69,967	+/-2,944	4.8%	+/-1.3	49,847	+/-2,458	1.1%	+/-0.7	10,902	+/-1,424	19.3%	+/-5.7
3 or 4 people	63,242	+/-3,592	5.6%	+/-1.3	46,164	+/-3,264	1.7%	+/-0.8	11,226	+/-1,718	16.1%	+/-5.3
5 or 6 people	19,012	+/-1,896	8.0%	+/-2.8	15,524	+/-1,783	3.1%	+/-1.4	2,652	+/-767	32.4%	+/-15.4
7 or more people	5,052	+/-924	11.4%	+/-3.8	4,646	+/-949	10.8%	+/-3.8	299	+/-149	18.7%	+/-15.2
NUMBER OF WORKERS IN FAMILY												
No workers	10,931	+/-1,342	18.3%	+/-5.1	7,177	+/-1,002	5.4%	+/-4.0	2,744	+/-712	41.0%	+/-13.7
1 worker	48,283	+/-2,997	10.6%	+/-1.9	24,596	+/-2,291	2.9%	+/-1.1	13,901	+/-1,682	22.7%	+/-5.7
2 workers	77,449	+/-3,409	2.2%	+/-0.8	66,246	+/-3,398	1.7%	+/-0.5	6,699	+/-1,145	7.6%	+/-5.7
3 or more workers	20,610	+/-1,863	0.5%	+/-0.3	18,162	+/-1,664	0.4%	+/-0.3	1,735	+/-575	1.8%	+/-2.6
INCOME DEFICIT												
Mean income deficit for families (dollars)	7,704	+/-784	(X)	(X)	6,922	+/-1,197	(X)	(X)	7,459	+/-1,058	(X)	(X)
PERCENT IMPUTED												
Poverty status for families	22.9%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(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.