

Alaska

S0901. Children Characteristics

Data Set: **2009 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 | 183,131 | +/-983 | 128,307 | +/-4,019 | 16,338 | +/-2,702 | 36,782 | +/-3,655 |
| AGE | | | | | | | | |
| Under 6 years | 34.8% | +/-1.0 | 34.0% | +/-1.6 | 38.5% | +/-6.1 | 35.3% | +/-4.1 |
| 6 to 11 years | 30.6% | +/-1.4 | 31.0% | +/-1.7 | 28.2% | +/-5.5 | 31.3% | +/-3.6 |
| 12 to 17 years | 34.5% | +/-1.5 | 34.9% | +/-1.7 | 33.4% | +/-6.3 | 33.4% | +/-3.6 |
| RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN | | | | | | | | |
| One race | 86.1% | +/-1.3 | 88.1% | +/-1.6 | 77.1% | +/-7.1 | 83.5% | +/-3.8 |
| White | 59.9% | +/-0.8 | 63.6% | +/-1.8 | 46.2% | +/-7.6 | 52.2% | +/-5.1 |
| Black or African American | 4.5% | +/-0.6 | 3.5% | +/-1.0 | 2.9% | +/-2.6 | 9.2% | +/-2.9 |
| American Indian and Alaska Native | 15.4% | +/-0.9 | 13.8% | +/-1.3 | 22.2% | +/-5.9 | 18.0% | +/-2.8 |
| Asian | 4.1% | +/-0.6 | 4.0% | +/-1.1 | 5.8% | +/-6.3 | 3.8% | +/-2.8 |
| Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander | 0.9% | +/-0.2 | 1.3% | +/-0.3 | 0.0% | +/-0.8 | 0.2% | +/-0.2 |
| Some other race | 1.4% | +/-0.6 | 1.9% | +/-0.8 | 0.0% | +/-0.8 | 0.2% | +/-0.4 |
| Two or more races | 13.9% | +/-1.3 | 11.9% | +/-1.6 | 22.9% | +/-7.1 | 16.5% | +/-3.8 |
| Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race) | 8.4% | +/-0.2 | 7.1% | +/-1.0 | 5.6% | +/-3.7 | 14.4% | +/-3.3 |
| White alone, not Hispanic or Latino | 55.4% | +/-0.3 | 60.0% | +/-1.8 | 44.7% | +/-7.7 | 43.0% | +/-5.6 |
| RELATIONSHIP TO HOUSEHOLDER | | | | | | | | |
| Own child (biological, step or adopted) | 88.9% | +/-1.5 | 92.9% | +/-1.3 | 73.6% | +/-7.3 | 85.9% | +/-3.8 |
| Grandchild | 6.8% | +/-1.2 | 5.3% | +/-1.2 | 16.5% | +/-6.7 | 8.3% | +/-2.8 |
| Other relatives | 1.9% | +/-0.4 | 1.1% | +/-0.4 | 4.6% | +/-2.9 | 3.6% | +/-1.4 |
| Foster child or other unrelated child | 2.3% | +/-0.7 | 0.7% | +/-0.3 | 5.3% | +/-3.7 | 2.2% | +/-1.7 |
| CITIZENSHIP STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| Native | 97.9% | +/-0.6 | 97.6% | +/-0.9 | 96.6% | +/-2.9 | 99.4% | +/-0.6 |
| Foreign born | 2.1% | +/-0.6 | 2.4% | +/-0.9 | 3.4% | +/-2.9 | 0.6% | +/-0.6 |
| PRESENCE OF OTHER ADULTS | | | | | | | | |
| Unmarried partner of householder present | 8.7% | +/-1.5 | (X) | (X) | 37.9% | +/-8.5 | 25.5% | +/-6.2 |
| DISABILITY STATUS | | | | | | | | |
| Civilian children under 18 years in households | 183,131 | +/-983 | 128,307 | +/-4,019 | 16,338 | +/-2,702 | 36,782 | +/-3,655 |
| With any disability | 3.8% | +/-0.6 | 3.6% | +/-0.7 | 2.8% | +/-1.9 | 4.2% | +/-1.6 |
| SCHOOL ENROLLMENT | | | | | | | | |
| Children 3 to 17 years in households | 149,353 | +/-1,984 | 105,897 | +/-3,564 | 12,550 | +/-2,549 | 29,646 | +/-3,261 |
| Enrolled in school | 130,366 | +/-2,143 | 93,250 | +/-3,160 | 10,559 | +/-2,099 | 25,724 | +/-3,037 |
| Public | 90.4% | +/-1.5 | 88.5% | +/-1.9 | 97.8% | +/-2.3 | 94.4% | +/-2.9 |
| Private | 9.6% | +/-1.5 | 11.5% | +/-1.9 | 2.2% | +/-2.3 | 5.6% | +/-2.9 |
| Not enrolled in school | 18,987 | +/-2,289 | 12,647 | +/-1,658 | 1,991 | +/-1,118 | 3,922 | +/-1,226 |
| MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2009 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS) FOR FAMILIES WITH OWN CHILDREN | | | | | | | | |
| Median income (dollars) | 71,540 | +/-4,143 | 86,695 | +/-3,868 | 39,673 | +/-7,971 | 29,336 | +/-3,047 |
| Children under 18 years in households | 183,131 | +/-983 | 128,307 | +/-4,019 | 16,338 | +/-2,702 | 36,782 | +/-3,655 |
| PUBLIC ASSISTANCE IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS | | | | | | | | |
| Children living in households with Supplemental Security Income (SSI), cash public assistance income, or Food Stamp/SNAP benefits | 21.6% | +/-2.2 | 15.8% | +/-2.5 | 39.8% | +/-9.3 | 32.7% | +/-5.8 |

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| POVERTY STATUS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS | | | | | | | | |
| Children in households for whom poverty status is determined | 180,279 | +/-1,637 | 127,838 | +/-4,042 | 15,871 | +/-2,589 | 36,274 | +/-3,672 |
| Income in the past 12 months below poverty level | 12.8% | +/-1.8 | 6.4% | +/-1.4 | 17.3% | +/-8.3 | 32.8% | +/-5.5 |
| Income in the past 12 months at or above poverty level | 87.2% | +/-1.8 | 93.6% | +/-1.4 | 82.7% | +/-8.3 | 67.2% | +/-5.5 |
| HOUSING TENURE | | | | | | | | |
| Children under 18 years in occupied housing units | 183,131 | +/-983 | 128,307 | +/-4,019 | 16,338 | +/-2,702 | 36,782 | +/-3,655 |
| In owner-occupied housing units | 65.0% | +/-2.5 | 71.4% | +/-3.0 | 62.7% | +/-7.9 | 45.2% | +/-6.1 |
| In renter-occupied housing units | 35.0% | +/-2.5 | 28.6% | +/-3.0 | 37.3% | +/-7.9 | 54.8% | +/-6.1 |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2009 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 2009 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2008 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.
- 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.
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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.
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