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DISABILITY CHARACTERISTICS
2011 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

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.

Supporting documentation on code lists, subject definitions, data accuracy, and statistical testing can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Data and Documentation section.

Sample size and data quality measures (including coverage rates, allocation rates, and response rates) can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Methodology section.

Subject	Alaska					
	Total		With a disability		Percent with a disability	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
Total civilian noninstitutionalized population	699,272	+/-1,868	73,731	+/-3,469	10.5%	+/-0.5
Population under 5 years	54,031	+/-875	374	+/-305	0.7%	+/-0.6
With a hearing difficulty	(X)	(X)	166	+/-112	0.3%	+/-0.2
With a vision difficulty	(X)	(X)	219	+/-288	0.4%	+/-0.5
Population 5 to 17 years	133,677	+/-720	5,135	+/-1,349	3.8%	+/-1.0
With a hearing difficulty	(X)	(X)	561	+/-458	0.4%	+/-0.3
With a vision difficulty	(X)	(X)	529	+/-238	0.4%	+/-0.2
With a cognitive difficulty	(X)	(X)	3,776	+/-1,135	2.8%	+/-0.8
With an ambulatory difficulty	(X)	(X)	537	+/-297	0.4%	+/-0.2
With a self-care difficulty	(X)	(X)	698	+/-318	0.5%	+/-0.2
Population 18 to 64 years	454,580	+/-2,067	44,003	+/-3,001	9.7%	+/-0.7
With a hearing difficulty	(X)	(X)	13,544	+/-1,644	3.0%	+/-0.4
With a vision difficulty	(X)	(X)	5,545	+/-1,053	1.2%	+/-0.2
With a cognitive difficulty	(X)	(X)	14,420	+/-2,111	3.2%	+/-0.5
With an ambulatory difficulty	(X)	(X)	22,473	+/-2,474	4.9%	+/-0.5
With a self-care difficulty	(X)	(X)	7,344	+/-1,301	1.6%	+/-0.3
With an independent living difficulty	(X)	(X)	12,076	+/-1,919	2.7%	+/-0.4
Population 65 years and over	56,984	+/-1,124	24,219	+/-1,752	42.5%	+/-3.0
With a hearing difficulty	(X)	(X)	12,774	+/-1,538	22.4%	+/-2.6
With a vision difficulty	(X)	(X)	5,044	+/-1,178	8.9%	+/-2.0
With a cognitive difficulty	(X)	(X)	6,195	+/-1,006	10.9%	+/-1.8
With an ambulatory difficulty	(X)	(X)	15,005	+/-1,388	26.3%	+/-2.4
With a self-care difficulty	(X)	(X)	5,562	+/-891	9.8%	+/-1.6
With an independent living difficulty	(X)	(X)	8,496	+/-1,227	14.9%	+/-2.1
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Male	353,412	+/-2,409	40,881	+/-2,796	11.6%	+/-0.8
Female	345,860	+/-1,555	32,850	+/-2,141	9.5%	+/-0.6
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN						
One Race	N	N	N	N	N	N
White alone	466,353	+/-3,000	48,668	+/-3,188	10.4%	+/-0.7
Black or African American alone	21,333	+/-2,179	1,649	+/-681	7.7%	+/-3.1
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	99,999	+/-3,758	14,819	+/-1,223	14.8%	+/-1.2
Asian alone	37,159	+/-2,056	2,950	+/-679	7.9%	+/-1.7
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	N	N	N	N	N	N
Some other race alone	7,912	+/-1,846	349	+/-238	4.4%	+/-3.0
Two or more races	58,965	+/-4,720	4,920	+/-1,192	8.3%	+/-1.9
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	444,477	+/-1,645	47,274	+/-3,068	10.6%	+/-0.7
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	39,551	+/-825	2,819	+/-933	7.1%	+/-2.4
PERCENT IMPUTED						
Disability status	3.0%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Hearing difficulty	2.0%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Vision difficulty	2.2%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Cognitive difficulty	2.4%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Ambulatory difficulty	2.4%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Self-care difficulty	2.4%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Independent living difficulty	2.6%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2011 American Community Survey

Explanation of Symbols:
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.
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.
An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
An '+' following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
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.
An '*****' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.
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.
An '(X)' means that the estimate is not applicable or not available.

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.

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.

While the 2011 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the December 2009 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.