

FOOD STAMPS/SNAP
2012 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		Households receiving food stamps		Households not receiving food stamps	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
Households	251,651	+/-2,883	28,724	+/-2,316	222,927	+/-3,148
With one or more people 60 years and over	28.0%	+/-0.9	28.3%	+/-3.6	28.0%	+/-0.9
With children under 18 years	35.8%	+/-1.3	58.0%	+/-3.9	32.9%	+/-1.4
POVERTY STATUS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS						
Below poverty level	8.5%	+/-0.8	33.1%	+/-3.5	5.4%	+/-0.7
DISABILITY STATUS						
With one or more people with a disability	22.6%	+/-1.1	46.6%	+/-3.9	19.6%	+/-1.2
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN OF HOUSEHOLDER						
One race	94.7%	+/-0.7	89.9%	+/-2.8	95.3%	+/-0.7
White	74.8%	+/-0.8	44.1%	+/-4.1	78.7%	+/-1.0
Black or African American	3.8%	+/-0.5	6.4%	+/-3.1	3.4%	+/-0.6
American Indian and Alaska Native	10.9%	+/-0.6	32.4%	+/-3.2	8.1%	+/-0.6
Asian	3.7%	+/-0.4	4.3%	+/-2.0	3.6%	+/-0.4
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.7%	+/-0.2	1.0%	+/-0.7	0.7%	+/-0.3
Some other race	0.8%	+/-0.3	1.6%	+/-1.2	0.7%	+/-0.3
Two or more races	5.3%	+/-0.7	10.1%	+/-2.8	4.7%	+/-0.7
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	4.8%	+/-0.5	5.7%	+/-1.9	4.7%	+/-0.6
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	72.0%	+/-0.8	41.3%	+/-3.9	75.9%	+/-0.9
HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2012 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)						
Median income (dollars)	67,712	+/-1,894	25,514	+/-2,444	73,108	+/-2,018
WORK STATUS						
Families	166,400	+/-3,894	19,758	+/-2,054	146,642	+/-3,796
No workers in past 12 months	8.9%	+/-0.8	12.5%	+/-3.5	8.4%	+/-0.8
1 worker in past 12 months	31.7%	+/-1.7	54.3%	+/-5.3	28.7%	+/-1.8
2 or more workers in past 12 months	59.4%	+/-1.7	33.2%	+/-4.5	62.9%	+/-1.7
PERCENT IMPUTED						
Food stamp/SNAP reciprocity	1.0%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 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.

While the 2012 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.