

DISABILITY CHARACTERISTICS
2015 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.

Versions of this table are available for the following years:

- 2015**
- [2014](#)
- [2013](#)
- [2012](#)
- [2011](#)
- [2010](#)
- [2009](#)
- [2008](#)

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	713,082	+/-1,787	82,744	+/-4,197	11.6%	+/-0.6
SEX						
Male	367,289	+/-2,444	43,821	+/-2,724	11.9%	+/-0.7
Female	345,793	+/-1,921	38,923	+/-2,682	11.3%	+/-0.8
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN						
White alone	464,147	+/-3,635	53,318	+/-3,461	11.5%	+/-0.7
Black or African American alone	23,737	+/-1,946	3,158	+/-845	13.3%	+/-3.7
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	99,461	+/-3,263	14,213	+/-1,200	14.3%	+/-1.3
Asian alone	46,347	+/-2,554	3,878	+/-841	8.4%	+/-1.9
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	N	N	N	N	N	N
Some other race alone	11,566	+/-3,103	792	+/-611	6.8%	+/-4.4
Two or more races	61,262	+/-4,638	6,183	+/-1,252	10.1%	+/-2.0
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	436,947	+/-2,089	50,264	+/-3,351	11.5%	+/-0.8
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	48,443	+/-779	4,867	+/-1,157	10.0%	+/-2.4
AGE						
Under 5 years	54,701	+/-946	1,160	+/-651	2.1%	+/-1.2
5 to 17 years	131,216	+/-1,063	6,783	+/-1,286	5.2%	+/-1.0
18 to 34 years	183,408	+/-2,519	12,714	+/-1,723	6.9%	+/-0.9
35 to 64 years	273,671	+/-1,718	34,325	+/-2,716	12.5%	+/-1.0
65 to 74 years	47,791	+/-1,076	14,895	+/-1,552	31.2%	+/-3.1
75 years and over	22,295	+/-757	12,867	+/-1,024	57.7%	+/-4.2
DISABILITY TYPE BY DETAILED AGE						
With a hearing difficulty	(X)	(X)	31,913	+/-2,557	4.5%	+/-0.4
Population under 18 years	185,917	+/-591	2,742	+/-1,016	1.5%	+/-0.5
Population under 5 years	54,701	+/-946	1,002	+/-641	1.8%	+/-1.2
Population 5 to 17 years	131,216	+/-1,063	1,740	+/-786	1.3%	+/-0.6
Population 18 to 64 years	457,079	+/-2,180	14,703	+/-1,859	3.2%	+/-0.4
Population 18 to 34 years	183,408	+/-2,519	2,905	+/-915	1.6%	+/-0.5
Population 35 to 64 years	273,671	+/-1,718	11,798	+/-1,454	4.3%	+/-0.5
Population 65 years and over	70,086	+/-1,161	14,468	+/-1,575	20.6%	+/-2.3
Population 65 to 74 years	47,791	+/-1,076	7,439	+/-1,084	15.6%	+/-2.3
Population 75 years and over	22,295	+/-757	7,029	+/-1,012	31.5%	+/-4.2
With a vision difficulty	(X)	(X)	15,372	+/-1,674	2.2%	+/-0.2
Population under 18 years	185,917	+/-591	1,180	+/-407	0.6%	+/-0.2
Population under 5 years	54,701	+/-946	267	+/-183	0.5%	+/-0.3
Population 5 to 17 years	131,216	+/-1,063	913	+/-326	0.7%	+/-0.2
Population 18 to 64 years	457,079	+/-2,180	8,761	+/-1,278	1.9%	+/-0.3
Population 18 to 34 years	183,408	+/-2,519	2,818	+/-777	1.5%	+/-0.4
Population 35 to 64 years	273,671	+/-1,718	5,943	+/-1,159	2.2%	+/-0.4
Population 65 years and over	70,086	+/-1,161	5,431	+/-916	7.7%	+/-1.3
Population 65 to 74 years	47,791	+/-1,076	2,284	+/-741	4.8%	+/-1.6
Population 75 years and over	22,295	+/-757	3,147	+/-669	14.1%	+/-2.9
With a cognitive difficulty	(X)	(X)	30,354	+/-2,927	4.6%	+/-0.4
Population under 18 years	131,216	+/-1,063	4,529	+/-1,063	3.5%	+/-0.8
Population 18 to 64 years	457,079	+/-2,180	18,379	+/-2,368	4.0%	+/-0.5
Population 18 to 34 years	183,408	+/-2,519	7,945	+/-1,486	4.3%	+/-0.8
Population 35 to 64 years	273,671	+/-1,718	10,434	+/-1,772	3.8%	+/-0.6
Population 65 years and over	70,086	+/-1,161	7,446	+/-1,281	10.6%	+/-1.9
Population 65 to 74 years	47,791	+/-1,076	2,689	+/-664	5.6%	+/-1.4
Population 75 years and over	22,295	+/-757	4,757	+/-1,038	21.3%	+/-4.7
With an ambulatory difficulty	(X)	(X)	38,595	+/-3,078	5.9%	+/-0.5
Population under 18 years	131,216	+/-1,063	610	+/-365	0.5%	+/-0.3
Population 18 to 64 years	457,079	+/-2,180	20,645	+/-2,100	4.5%	+/-0.5

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	Total		With a disability		Percent with a disability		
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	
Population 18 to 34 years	183,408	+/-2,519	3,660	+/-985	2.0%	+/-0.5	
Population 35 to 64 years	273,671	+/-1,718	16,985	+/-1,990	6.2%	+/-0.7	
Population 65 years and over	70,086	+/-1,161	17,340	+/-1,658	24.7%	+/-2.4	
Population 65 to 74 years	47,791	+/-1,076	9,004	+/-1,360	18.8%	+/-2.7	
Population 75 years and over	22,295	+/-757	8,336	+/-1,066	37.4%	+/-4.6	
With a self-care difficulty	(X)	(X)	16,070	+/-2,356	2.4%	+/-0.4	
Population under 18 years	131,216	+/-1,063	868	+/-348	0.7%	+/-0.3	
Population 18 to 64 years	457,079	+/-2,180	8,285	+/-1,555	1.8%	+/-0.3	
Population 18 to 34 years	183,408	+/-2,519	2,068	+/-825	1.1%	+/-0.4	
Population 35 to 64 years	273,671	+/-1,718	6,217	+/-1,358	2.3%	+/-0.5	
Population 65 years and over	70,086	+/-1,161	6,917	+/-1,315	9.9%	+/-1.9	
Population 65 to 74 years	47,791	+/-1,076	2,710	+/-760	5.7%	+/-1.6	
Population 75 years and over	22,295	+/-757	4,207	+/-1,098	18.9%	+/-4.9	
With an independent living difficulty	(X)	(X)	27,235	+/-2,671	5.2%	+/-0.5	
Population 18 to 64 years	457,079	+/-2,180	17,006	+/-2,218	3.7%	+/-0.5	
Population 18 to 34 years	183,408	+/-2,519	5,398	+/-1,148	2.9%	+/-0.6	
Population 35 to 64 years	273,671	+/-1,718	11,608	+/-1,911	4.2%	+/-0.7	
Population 65 years and over	70,086	+/-1,161	10,229	+/-1,175	14.6%	+/-1.7	
Population 65 to 74 years	47,791	+/-1,076	3,424	+/-744	7.2%	+/-1.5	
Population 75 years and over	22,295	+/-757	6,805	+/-1,018	30.5%	+/-4.4	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

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 2015 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the February 2013 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 2010 data. As a result, data for urban and rural areas from the ACS do not necessarily reflect the results of ongoing urbanization.