EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS OF FAMILIES 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:

1		_				Families with own		Percent Families with own	
30 of		T	otal	Percent		children under 18 years		children under 18 years	
of 30	Subject	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
	Families	163,800	+/-3,113	163,800	+/-3,113	77,964	+/-3,627	77,964	+/-3,627
	EMPLOYMENT STATUS CHARACTERISTICS								
	Married-couple families	120,348	+/-2,954	120,348	+/-2,954	50,683	+/-3,115	50,683	+/-3,115
	Both husband and wife in labor force	67,890	+/-2,429	56.4%	+/-1.7	32,583	+/-2,185	64.3%	+/-2.5
	Husband in labor force, wife not in labor force	29,082	+/-2,424	24.2%	+/-1.9	15,387	+/-1,708	30.4%	+/-2.6
	Wife in labor force, husband not in labor force	7,791	+/-1,006	6.5%	+/-0.8	1,795	+/-521	3.5%	+/-1.0
	Both husband and wife not in labor force	14,891	+/-1,687	12.4%	+/-1.3	778	+/-390	1.5%	+/-0.8
	Other families	43,452	+/-2,748	43,452	+/-2,748	27,281	+/-2,382	27,281	+/-2,382
	Female householder, no husband present	28,343	+/-2,222	65.2%	+/-2.9	18,207	+/-2,062	66.7%	+/-3.7
	In labor force	21,725	+/-2,038	50.0%	+/-3.0	16,041	+/-1,957	58.8%	+/-3.9
	Not in labor force	6,618	+/-1,009	15.2%	+/-2.3	2,166	+/-756	7.9%	+/-2.7
	Male householder, no wife present	15,109	+/-1,531	34.8%	+/-2.9	9,074	+/-1,129	33.3%	+/-3.7
	In labor force	12,116	+/-1,492	27.9%	+/-3.0	7,739	+/-1,180	28.4%	+/-3.9
	Not in labor force	2,993	+/-653	6.9%	+/-1.5	1,335	+/-479	4.9%	+/-1.8
	WORK STATUS								
	CHARACTERISTICS Families	163,800	+/-3,113	163,800	+/-3,113	77,964	+/-3,627	77,964	+/-3,627
	No workers in the past 12	· ·	, i	· ·		,			
	months	14,188	+/-1,282	8.7%	+/-0.8	2,416	+/-719	3.1%	+/-0.9
	1 worker in the past 12 months	53,861	+/-2,986	32.9%	+/-1.6	32,494	+/-2,686	41.7%	+/-2.5
	2 or more workers in the past 12 months	95,751	+/-2,620	58.5%	+/-1.4	43,054	+/-2,516	55.2%	+/-2.4
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	Married-couple families Householder worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months:	120,348 62,635	+/-2,954	120,348 52.0%	+/-2,954	50,683 30,366	+/-3,115	50,683	+/-3,115
	Spouse worked full-time, year-								
	round in the past 12 months Spouse worked less than full-	32,133	+/-1,884	26.7%	+/-1.6	13,376	+/-1,479	26.4%	+/-2.6
	time, year-round in the past 12 months	18,278	+/-1,839	15.2%	+/-1.4	10,171	+/-1,457	20.1%	+/-2.5
	Spouse did not work in the past 12 months	12,224	+/-1,472	10.2%	+/-1.2	6,819	+/-1,090	13.5%	+/-1.9
	Householder worked less than full-time, year-round in the past 12 months:	32,644	+/-2,237	27.1%	+/-1.6	13,976	+/-1,546	27.6%	+/-2.7
	Spouse worked full-time, year- round in the past 12 months	15,373	+/-1,532	12.8%	+/-1.2	7,845	+/-1,249	15.5%	+/-2.2
	Spouse worked less than full- time, year-round in the past 12 months	10,644	+/-1,367	8.8%	+/-1.1	4,353	+/-810	8.6%	+/-1.7
	Spouse did not work in the past 12 months	6,627	+/-1,067	5.5%	+/-0.8	1,778	+/-488	3.5%	+/-0.9
	Householder did not work in the past 12 months:	25,069	+/-1,696	20.8%	+/-1.3	6,341	+/-1,020	12.5%	+/-1.8
	Spouse worked full-time, year- round in the past 12 months	7,894	+/-1,202	6.6%	+/-1.0	3,715	+/-771	7.3%	+/-1.4
	Spouse worked less than full- time, year-round in the past 12 months	4,893	+/-806	4.1%	+/-0.7	1,925	+/-659	3.8%	+/-1.3
		12,282	+/-1,298	10.2%	+/-1.0	701	+/-382	1.4%	+/-0.8

	Alaska								
	Total		Percent		Families with own children under 18 years		Percent Families with own children under 18 years		
Subject	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	
Spouse did not work in the past 12 months									

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.

Employment and unemployment estimates may vary from the official labor force data released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics because of differences in survey design and data collection. For guidance on differences in employment and unemployment estimates from different sources go to Labor Force Guidance.

Starting with 2013 data products, same-sex married couples are shown along with all married couples. For more information, see: User Notes.

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.