

SELECTED HOUSING 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

Subject	Alaska			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	309,453	+/-153	309,453	(X)
Occupied housing units	250,185	+/-2,685	80.8%	+/-0.9
Vacant housing units	59,268	+/-2,673	19.2%	+/-0.9
Homeowner vacancy rate	2.4	+/-0.6	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	5.7	+/-1.1	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	309,453	+/-153	309,453	(X)
1-unit, detached	191,353	+/-3,475	61.8%	+/-1.1
1-unit, attached	22,681	+/-1,992	7.3%	+/-0.6
2 units	16,169	+/-1,970	5.2%	+/-0.6
3 or 4 units	22,729	+/-2,252	7.3%	+/-0.7
5 to 9 units	16,555	+/-2,065	5.3%	+/-0.7
10 to 19 units	9,660	+/-1,679	3.1%	+/-0.5
20 or more units	14,373	+/-1,847	4.6%	+/-0.6
Mobile home	15,682	+/-2,004	5.1%	+/-0.6
Boat, RV, van, etc.	251	+/-177	0.1%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	309,453	+/-153	309,453	(X)
Built 2014 or later	800	+/-339	0.3%	+/-0.1
Built 2010 to 2013	8,226	+/-1,312	2.7%	+/-0.4
Built 2000 to 2009	49,482	+/-2,756	16.0%	+/-0.9
Built 1990 to 1999	45,702	+/-2,546	14.8%	+/-0.8
Built 1980 to 1989	77,089	+/-3,384	24.9%	+/-1.1
Built 1970 to 1979	73,608	+/-3,162	23.8%	+/-1.0
Built 1960 to 1969	27,737	+/-2,366	9.0%	+/-0.8
Built 1950 to 1959	17,662	+/-1,778	5.7%	+/-0.6
Built 1940 to 1949	3,695	+/-598	1.2%	+/-0.2
Built 1939 or earlier	5,452	+/-721	1.8%	+/-0.2
ROOMS				
Total housing units	309,453	+/-153	309,453	(X)
1 room	18,903	+/-1,759	6.1%	+/-0.6
2 rooms	21,984	+/-1,888	7.1%	+/-0.6
3 rooms	40,249	+/-2,379	13.0%	+/-0.8
4 rooms	59,397	+/-3,677	19.2%	+/-1.2
5 rooms	57,581	+/-3,223	18.6%	+/-1.0
6 rooms	39,422	+/-2,360	12.7%	+/-0.8
7 rooms	27,510	+/-2,027	8.9%	+/-0.7
8 rooms	19,691	+/-1,852	6.4%	+/-0.6
9 rooms or more	24,716	+/-2,123	8.0%	+/-0.7
Median rooms	4.7	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	309,453	+/-153	309,453	(X)
No bedroom	20,119	+/-1,845	6.5%	+/-0.6
1 bedroom	41,029	+/-2,583	13.3%	+/-0.8
2 bedrooms	84,913	+/-3,536	27.4%	+/-1.1
3 bedrooms	105,008	+/-3,981	33.9%	+/-1.3
4 bedrooms	47,521	+/-2,929	15.4%	+/-0.9
5 or more bedrooms	10,863	+/-1,206	3.5%	+/-0.4
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	250,185	+/-2,685	250,185	(X)
Owner-occupied	159,922	+/-3,409	63.9%	+/-1.2
Renter-occupied	90,263	+/-3,323	36.1%	+/-1.2
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.94	+/-0.05	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.66	+/-0.08	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	250,185	+/-2,685	250,185	(X)
Moved in 2015 or later	25,223	+/-2,348	10.1%	+/-0.9
Moved in 2010 to 2014	94,921	+/-3,089	37.9%	+/-1.2
Moved in 2000 to 2009	67,294	+/-3,410	26.9%	+/-1.4

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Moved in 1990 to 1999	35,123	+/-2,224	14.0%	+/-0.9
Moved in 1980 to 1989	16,689	+/-1,493	6.7%	+/-0.6
Moved in 1979 and earlier	10,935	+/-1,358	4.4%	+/-0.5
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	250,185	+/-2,685	250,185	(X)
No vehicles available	25,838	+/-1,730	10.3%	+/-0.7
1 vehicle available	75,250	+/-3,453	30.1%	+/-1.3
2 vehicles available	95,569	+/-3,496	38.2%	+/-1.3
3 or more vehicles available	53,528	+/-2,868	21.4%	+/-1.2
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	250,185	+/-2,685	250,185	(X)
Utility gas	122,946	+/-3,277	49.1%	+/-1.1
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	3,713	+/-712	1.5%	+/-0.3
Electricity	32,857	+/-2,703	13.1%	+/-1.1
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	71,730	+/-2,383	28.7%	+/-1.0
Coal or coke	1,170	+/-598	0.5%	+/-0.2
Wood	13,928	+/-1,178	5.6%	+/-0.5
Solar energy	14	+/-21	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	1,951	+/-546	0.8%	+/-0.2
No fuel used	1,876	+/-572	0.7%	+/-0.2
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	250,185	+/-2,685	250,185	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	10,380	+/-1,515	4.1%	+/-0.6
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	8,077	+/-1,283	3.2%	+/-0.5
No telephone service available	6,670	+/-1,433	2.7%	+/-0.6
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	250,185	+/-2,685	250,185	(X)
1.00 or less	234,905	+/-2,884	93.9%	+/-0.5
1.01 to 1.50	9,530	+/-1,250	3.8%	+/-0.5
1.51 or more	5,750	+/-645	2.3%	+/-0.3
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	159,922	+/-3,409	159,922	(X)
Less than \$50,000	11,168	+/-1,610	7.0%	+/-1.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8,365	+/-1,005	5.2%	+/-0.6
\$100,000 to \$149,999	11,676	+/-1,410	7.3%	+/-0.9
\$150,000 to \$199,999	18,518	+/-2,039	11.6%	+/-1.2
\$200,000 to \$299,999	50,432	+/-2,691	31.5%	+/-1.5
\$300,000 to \$499,999	47,136	+/-2,510	29.5%	+/-1.5
\$500,000 to \$999,999	11,629	+/-1,324	7.3%	+/-0.8
\$1,000,000 or more	998	+/-352	0.6%	+/-0.2
Median (dollars)	259,600	+/-5,619	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	159,922	+/-3,409	159,922	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	104,097	+/-3,504	65.1%	+/-1.5
Housing units without a mortgage	55,825	+/-2,421	34.9%	+/-1.5
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	104,097	+/-3,504	104,097	(X)
Less than \$500	888	+/-448	0.9%	+/-0.4
\$500 to \$999	6,339	+/-998	6.1%	+/-0.9
\$1,000 to \$1,499	26,268	+/-2,021	25.2%	+/-2.0
\$1,500 to \$1,999	29,020	+/-2,493	27.9%	+/-2.0
\$2,000 to \$2,499	21,846	+/-2,010	21.0%	+/-1.9
\$2,500 to \$2,999	10,004	+/-1,508	9.6%	+/-1.4
\$3,000 or more	9,732	+/-1,432	9.3%	+/-1.3
Median (dollars)	1,817	+/-42	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	55,825	+/-2,421	55,825	(X)
Less than \$250	7,714	+/-1,081	13.8%	+/-1.8
\$250 to \$399	9,256	+/-1,120	16.6%	+/-2.0
\$400 to \$599	15,382	+/-1,554	27.6%	+/-2.6
\$600 to \$799	12,944	+/-1,627	23.2%	+/-2.7
\$800 to \$999	6,495	+/-1,156	11.6%	+/-1.9
\$1,000 or more	4,034	+/-852	7.2%	+/-1.5
Median (dollars)	541	+/-22	(X)	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAPI)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	103,940	+/-3,521	103,940	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	43,833	+/-2,277	42.2%	+/-1.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	17,762	+/-1,812	17.1%	+/-1.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	13,264	+/-1,485	12.8%	+/-1.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	8,572	+/-1,453	8.2%	+/-1.4
35.0 percent or more	20,509	+/-2,141	19.7%	+/-1.9

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Not computed	157	+/-150	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	55,690	+/-2,415	55,690	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	27,990	+/-1,794	50.3%	+/-2.8
10.0 to 14.9 percent	10,774	+/-1,168	19.3%	+/-2.0
15.0 to 19.9 percent	5,251	+/-1,041	9.4%	+/-1.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	3,374	+/-869	6.1%	+/-1.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	2,360	+/-684	4.2%	+/-1.2
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,389	+/-482	2.5%	+/-0.8
35.0 percent or more	4,552	+/-785	8.2%	+/-1.3
Not computed	135	+/-129	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	83,117	+/-3,288	83,117	(X)
Less than \$500	5,380	+/-1,010	6.5%	+/-1.2
\$500 to \$999	23,845	+/-2,476	28.7%	+/-2.6
\$1,000 to \$1,499	31,389	+/-2,561	37.8%	+/-2.7
\$1,500 to \$1,999	13,350	+/-1,761	16.1%	+/-2.1
\$2,000 to \$2,499	7,525	+/-1,453	9.1%	+/-1.7
\$2,500 to \$2,999	1,151	+/-543	1.4%	+/-0.6
\$3,000 or more	477	+/-244	0.6%	+/-0.3
Median (dollars)	1,163	+/-25	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	7,146	+/-882	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	83,035	+/-3,299	83,035	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	11,684	+/-1,528	14.1%	+/-1.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	13,064	+/-1,704	15.7%	+/-1.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	9,391	+/-1,332	11.3%	+/-1.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	9,294	+/-1,285	11.2%	+/-1.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	6,957	+/-1,486	8.4%	+/-1.7
35.0 percent or more	32,645	+/-2,326	39.3%	+/-2.5
Not computed	7,228	+/-890	(X)	(X)

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.

Households not paying cash rent are excluded from the calculation of median gross rent.

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.