

**EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS OF FAMILIES**  
**2016 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates**

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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:

**2016**  
**2015**  
**2014**  
**2013**  
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Subject	Alaska							
	Total		Percent		Families with own children under 18 years		Percent Families with own children under 18 years	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
Families	164,102	+/-4,083	164,102	+/-4,083	76,055	+/-3,280	76,055	+/-3,280
<b>EMPLOYMENT STATUS CHARACTERISTICS</b>								
Married-couple families	122,168	+/-3,732	122,168	+/-3,732	52,831	+/-2,937	52,831	+/-2,937
Both husband and wife in labor force	68,312	+/-3,456	55.9%	+/-2.1	35,189	+/-2,636	66.6%	+/-2.9
Husband in labor force, wife not in labor force	26,297	+/-2,265	21.5%	+/-1.7	13,083	+/-1,592	24.8%	+/-2.8
Wife in labor force, husband not in labor force	11,017	+/-1,435	9.0%	+/-1.1	3,459	+/-993	6.5%	+/-1.9
Both husband and wife not in labor force	15,469	+/-1,290	12.7%	+/-1.1	1,065	+/-337	2.0%	+/-0.6
Other families	41,934	+/-3,134	41,934	+/-3,134	23,224	+/-2,170	23,224	+/-2,170
Female householder, no husband present	27,540	+/-2,382	65.7%	+/-3.1	15,260	+/-1,806	65.7%	+/-4.7
In labor force	20,351	+/-2,095	48.5%	+/-3.4	12,894	+/-1,616	55.5%	+/-4.5
Not in labor force	7,189	+/-1,204	17.1%	+/-2.6	2,366	+/-729	10.2%	+/-3.0
Male householder, no wife present	14,394	+/-1,737	34.3%	+/-3.1	7,964	+/-1,322	34.3%	+/-4.7
In labor force	11,437	+/-1,601	27.3%	+/-3.0	7,125	+/-1,225	30.7%	+/-4.5
Not in labor force	2,957	+/-713	7.1%	+/-1.6	839	+/-373	3.6%	+/-1.5
<b>WORK STATUS CHARACTERISTICS</b>								
Families	164,102	+/-4,083	164,102	+/-4,083	76,055	+/-3,280	76,055	+/-3,280
No workers in the past 12 months	15,262	+/-1,333	9.3%	+/-0.8	2,726	+/-763	3.6%	+/-1.0
1 worker in the past 12 months	50,384	+/-2,988	30.7%	+/-1.7	28,174	+/-2,235	37.0%	+/-2.7
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	98,456	+/-4,099	60.0%	+/-1.8	45,155	+/-2,944	59.4%	+/-2.7
Married-couple families	122,168	+/-3,732	122,168	+/-3,732	52,831	+/-2,937	52,831	+/-2,937
Householder worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months:	64,000	+/-3,497	52.4%	+/-2.1	32,714	+/-2,539	61.9%	+/-3.2
Spouse worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	31,190	+/-2,276	25.5%	+/-1.6	14,873	+/-1,529	28.2%	+/-2.6
Spouse worked less than full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	19,807	+/-1,891	16.2%	+/-1.4	11,003	+/-1,458	20.8%	+/-2.5
Spouse did not work in the past 12 months	13,003	+/-1,574	10.6%	+/-1.2	6,838	+/-1,169	12.9%	+/-2.0
Householder worked less than full-time, year-round in the past 12 months:	30,868	+/-2,315	25.3%	+/-1.8	13,165	+/-1,678	24.9%	+/-2.8
Spouse worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	13,355	+/-1,750	10.9%	+/-1.4	6,483	+/-1,314	12.3%	+/-2.3
Spouse worked less than full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	11,903	+/-1,462	9.7%	+/-1.2	5,184	+/-906	9.8%	+/-1.6
Spouse did not work in the past 12 months	5,610	+/-1,133	4.6%	+/-0.9	1,498	+/-452	2.8%	+/-0.9
Householder did not work in the past 12 months:	27,300	+/-2,036	22.3%	+/-1.6	6,952	+/-1,030	13.2%	+/-2.0
Spouse worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	9,331	+/-1,448	7.6%	+/-1.2	4,586	+/-1,004	8.7%	+/-1.9
Spouse worked less than full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	5,355	+/-1,046	4.4%	+/-0.8	1,724	+/-518	3.3%	+/-1.0
Spouse did not work in the past 12 months	12,614	+/-1,183	10.3%	+/-1.0	642	+/-238	1.2%	+/-0.5

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2016 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 2016 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.