SELECTED ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS
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:

Subject	Alaska			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
EMPLOYMENT STATUS				
Population 16 years and over	575,088	+/-1,406	575,088	(X)
In labor force	403,778	+/-4,904	70.2%	+/-0.8
Civilian labor force	388,062	+/-5,509	67.5%	+/-0.9
Employed	357,098	+/-5,742	62.1%	+/-1.0
Unemployed	30,964	+/-3,145	5.4%	+/-0.5
Armed Forces	15,716	+/-1,680	2.7%	+/-0.3
Not in labor force	171,310	+/-4,919	29.8%	+/-0.8
Civilian labor force	388,062	+/-5,509	388,062	(X)
Unemployment Rate	(X)	(X)	8.0%	+/-0.8
Females 16 years and over	272,450	+/-2,190	272,450	(X)
In labor force	178,749	+/-3,633	65.6%	+/-1.2
Civilian labor force	176,577	+/-3,631	64.8%	+/-1.2
Employed	164,041	+/-3,785	60.2%	+/-1.3
Own children of the householder under 6 years	60,162	+/-1,811	60,162	(X)
All parents in family in labor force	39,293	+/-3,039	65.3%	+/-4.3
Own children of the householder 6 to 17 years	115,887	+/-2,123	115,887	(X)
All parents in family in labor force	81,716	+/-3,762	70.5%	+/-2.8
COMMUTING TO WORK				
Workers 16 years and over	362,804	+/-5,688	362,804	(X)
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	250,492	+/-6,226	69.0%	+/-1.4
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	44,258	+/-4,217	12.2%	+/-1.2
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	4,381	+/-1,226	1.2%	+/-0.3
Walked	27,628	+/-2,231	7.6%	+/-0.6
Other means	17,273	+/-1,838	4.8%	+/-0.5
Worked at home	18,772	+/-2,415	5.2%	+/-0.6
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	18.0	+/-0.5	(X)	(X)
OCCUPATION				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	357,098	+/-5,742	357,098	(X)
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	132,669	+/-5,477	37.2%	+/-1.4
Service occupations	62,844	+/-4,205	17.6%	+/-1.1
Sales and office occupations	79,782	+/-4,066	22.3%	+/-1.1
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	41,332	+/-2,951	11.6%	+/-0.8
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	40,471	+/-3,245	11.3%	+/-0.9
INDUSTRY				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	357,098	+/-5,742	357,098	(X)
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	15,644	+/-1,771	4.4%	+/-0.5
Construction	23,833	+/-2,592	6.7%	+/-0.7
Manufacturing	15,343	+/-2,034	4.3%	+/-0.6
Wholesale trade	8,026	+/-1,401	2.2%	+/-0.4
Retail trade	41,089	+/-3,819	11.5%	+/-1.0
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	28,449	+/-2,365	8.0%	+/-0.6
Information	7,959	+/-1,540	2.2%	+/-0.4
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	11,888	+/-1,739	3.3%	+/-0.5
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	28,119	+/-3,124	7.9%	+/-0.9
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	85,260	+/-4,091	23.9%	+/-1.1
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	31,839	+/-3,731	8.9%	+/-1.0
Other services, except public administration	15,203	+/-2,088	4.3%	+/-0.6
Public administration	44,446	+/-3,337	12.4%	+/-1.0

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CLASS OF WORKER				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	357,098	+/-5,742	357,098	(X)
Private wage and salary workers	240,948	+/-6,392	67.5%	+/-1.3
Government workers	91,520	+/-4,504	25.6%	+/-1.3
Self-employed in own not incorporated business workers	23,728	+/-2,308	6.6%	+/-0.6
Unpaid family workers	902	+/-423	0.3%	+/-0.1
INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2016 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)				
Total households	248,468	+/-2,841	248,468	(X)
Less than $10,000	9,066	+/-1,377	3.6%	+/-0.5
$10,000 to $14,999	7,301	+/-1,240	2.9%	+/-0.5
$15,000 to $24,999	16,156	+/-1,400	6.5%	+/-0.6
$25,000 to $34,999	17,073	+/-1,797	6.9%	+/-0.7
$35,000 to $49,999	26,049	+/-2,120	10.5%	+/-0.9
$50,000 to $74,999	46,366	+/-3,035	18.7%	+/-1.2
$75,000 to $99,999	35,805	+/-2,520	14.4%	+/-1.0
$100,000 to $149,999	50,030	+/-2,955	20.1%	+/-1.2
$150,000 to $199,999	22,973	+/-2,070	9.2%	+/-0.8
$200,000 or more	17,649	+/-1,810	7.1%	+/-0.7
Median household income (dollars)	76,440	+/-2,230	(X)	(X)
Mean household income (dollars)	93,312	+/-2,396	(X)	(X)
With earnings	213,631	+/-3,148	86.0%	+/-0.9
Mean earnings (dollars)	88,274	+/-2,590	(X)	(X)
With Social Security	55,755	+/-2,080	22.4%	+/-0.9
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	17,715	+/-664	(X)	(X)
With retirement income	48,254	+/-2,134	19.4%	+/-0.9
Mean retirement income (dollars)	29,775	+/-2,228	(X)	(X)
With Supplemental Security Income	9,965	+/-1,298	4.0%	+/-0.5
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	9,789	+/-822	(X)	(X)
With cash public assistance income	14,751	+/-1,752	5.9%	+/-0.7
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,636	+/-488	(X)	(X)
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits in the past 12 months	26,039	+/-2,695	10.5%	+/-1.1
Families	164,102	+/-4,083	164,102	(X)
Less than $10,000	4,410	+/-848	2.7%	+/-0.5
$10,000 to $14,999	2,346	+/-639	1.4%	+/-0.4
$15,000 to $24,999	7,403	+/-1,115	4.5%	+/-0.7
$25,000 to $34,999	8,431	+/-1,287	5.1%	+/-0.7
$35,000 to $49,999	15,569	+/-1,600	9.5%	+/-1.0
$50,000 to $74,999	29,057	+/-2,438	17.7%	+/-1.4
$75,000 to $99,999	25,331	+/-2,256	15.4%	+/-1.3
$100,000 to $149,999	39,872	+/-2,879	24.3%	+/-1.6
$150,000 to $199,999	17,525	+/-1,944	10.7%	+/-1.2
$200,000 or more	14,158	+/-1,676	8.6%	+/-1.0
Median family income (dollars)	88,604	+/-2,636	(X)	(X)
Mean family income (dollars)	103,554	+/-2,617	(X)	(X)
Per capita income (dollars)	34,187	+/-844	(X)	(X)
Nonfamily households	84,366	+/-4,018	84,366	(X)
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	51,252	+/-2,380	(X)	(X)
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	66,330	+/-3,748	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for workers (dollars)	36,209	+/-684	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for male full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	56,422	+/-2,880	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for female full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	47,518	+/-2,255	(X)	(X)
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE				
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	718,419	+/-1,649	718,419	(X)
With health insurance coverage	617,791	+/-6,438	86.0%	+/-0.9
With private health insurance	483,397	+/-8,824	67.3%	+/-1.2
With public coverage	211,252	+/-6,272	29.4%	+/-0.9
No health insurance coverage	100,628	+/-6,290	14.0%	+/-0.9
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	186,839	+/-591	186,839	(X)
No health insurance coverage	18,594	+/-2,770	10.0%	+/-1.5
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	457,184	+/-2,276	457,184	(X)
In labor force:	362,553	+/-5,081	362,553	(X)
Employed:	333,772	+/-5,471	333,772	(X)
With health insurance coverage	282,903	+/-6,079	84.8%	+/-1.1
With private health insurance	262,005	+/-6,155	78.5%	+/-1.4
With public coverage	36,956	+/-3,572	11.1%	+/-1.0

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No health insurance coverage	50,869	+/-3,642	15.2%	+/-1.1
Unemployed:	28,781	+/-2,986	28,781	(X)
With health insurance coverage	19,832	+/-2,483	68.9%	+/-3.9
With private health insurance	12,801	+/-2,255	44.5%	+/-4.6
With public coverage	8,409	+/-1,182	29.2%	+/-4.5
No health insurance coverage	8,949	+/-1,338	31.1%	+/-3.9
Not in labor force:	94,631	+/-4,219	94,631	(X)
With health insurance coverage	73,062	+/-3,632	77.2%	+/-2.3
With private health insurance	47,904	+/-3,167	50.6%	+/-2.7
With public coverage	30,466	+/-2,747	32.2%	+/-2.5
No health insurance coverage	21,569	+/-2,456	22.8%	+/-2.3
PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL				
All families	(X)	(X)	6.7%	+/-0.8
With related children of the householder under 18 years	(X)	(X)	11.0%	+/-1.5
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	10.3%	+/-3.5
Married couple families	(X)	(X)	2.8%	+/-0.6
With related children of the householder under 18 years	(X)	(X)	4.4%	+/-1.1
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	3.1%	+/-1.7
Families with female householder, no husband present	(X)	(X)	21.3%	+/-4.1
With related children of the householder under 18 years	(X)	(X)	29.0%	+/-5.7
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	26.8%	+/-15.2
All people	(X)	(X)	9.9%	+/-0.9
Under 18 years	(X)	(X)	14.1%	+/-2.2
Related children of the householder under 18 years	(X)	(X)	13.8%	+/-2.2
Related children of the householder under 5 years	(X)	(X)	15.9%	+/-2.6
Related children of the householder 5 to 17 years	(X)	(X)	13.0%	+/-2.4
18 years and over	(X)	(X)	8.4%	+/-0.7
18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	9.1%	+/-0.8
65 years and over	(X)	(X)	4.2%	+/-1.0
People in families	(X)	(X)	7.9%	+/-1.0
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	(X)	(X)	17.0%	+/-1.6

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2016 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

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.

Workers include members of the Armed Forces and civilians who were at work last week.

Industry codes are 4-digit codes and are based on the North American Industry Classification System 2012. The Industry categories adhere to the guidelines issued in Clarification Memorandum No. 2, "NAICS Alternate Aggregation Structure for Use By U.S. Statistical Agencies," issued by the Office of Management and Budget.

Occupation codes are 4-digit codes and are based on Standard Occupational Classification 2010.

Logical coverage edits applying a rules-based assignment of Medicaid, Medicare and military health coverage were added as of 2009 -- please see https://www.census.gov/library/working-papers/2010/demo/coverage_edits_final.html for more details. The 2008 data table in American FactFinder does not incorporate these edits. Therefore, the estimates that appear in these tables are not comparable to the estimates in the 2009 and later tables. Select geographies of 2008 data comparable to the 2009 and later tables are available at https://www.census.gov/data/tables/time-series/acs/1-year-re-run-health-insurance.html. The health insurance coverage category names were modified in 2010. See https://www.census.gov/topics/health/health-insurance/about/glossary.html#par_textimage_18 for a list of the insurance type definitions.

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.