

**POVERTY STATUS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS**  
**2017 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 [Technical 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:

- 2017**
- 2016**
- 2015**
- 2014**
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Subject	Alaska					
	Total		Below poverty level		Percent below poverty level	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
Population for whom poverty status is determined	720,472	+/-1,555	80,012	+/-7,303	11.1%	+/-1.0
<b>AGE</b>						
Under 18 years	180,073	+/-1,528	26,865	+/-4,438	14.9%	+/-2.5
Under 5 years	51,126	+/-1,255	7,935	+/-1,611	15.5%	+/-3.1
5 to 17 years	128,947	+/-1,232	18,930	+/-3,319	14.7%	+/-2.6
Related children of householder under 18 years	178,800	+/-1,659	25,595	+/-4,368	14.3%	+/-2.4
18 to 64 years	458,887	+/-1,080	47,104	+/-3,910	10.3%	+/-0.8
18 to 34 years	181,098	+/-2,175	23,544	+/-3,050	13.0%	+/-1.7
35 to 64 years	277,789	+/-2,433	23,560	+/-2,406	8.5%	+/-0.9
60 years and over	126,529	+/-2,318	9,864	+/-1,511	7.8%	+/-1.2
65 years and over	81,512	+/-1,039	6,043	+/-1,250	7.4%	+/-1.5
<b>SEX</b>						
Male	372,227	+/-2,510	40,894	+/-3,907	11.0%	+/-1.1
Female	348,245	+/-2,239	39,118	+/-4,325	11.2%	+/-1.2
<b>RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN</b>						
White alone	465,528	+/-3,684	35,573	+/-3,896	7.6%	+/-0.8
Black or African American alone	20,488	+/-1,931	2,493	+/-1,221	12.2%	+/-5.8
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	105,516	+/-4,825	25,064	+/-2,513	23.8%	+/-2.2
Asian alone	48,527	+/-2,204	7,718	+/-4,797	15.9%	+/-9.7
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	N	N	N	N	N	N
Some other race alone	10,834	+/-2,290	1,302	+/-987	12.0%	+/-8.1
Two or more races	60,919	+/-5,321	6,525	+/-1,370	10.7%	+/-2.3
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	50,078	+/-531	4,433	+/-1,484	8.9%	+/-2.9
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	439,405	+/-1,640	33,373	+/-3,825	7.6%	+/-0.9
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>						
Population 25 years and over	474,737	+/-2,182	42,327	+/-3,248	8.9%	+/-0.7
Less than high school graduate	38,632	+/-2,944	9,223	+/-1,744	23.9%	+/-3.9
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	130,062	+/-5,068	17,610	+/-1,818	13.5%	+/-1.3
Some college, associate's degree	168,044	+/-5,361	11,693	+/-1,954	7.0%	+/-1.1
Bachelor's degree or higher	137,999	+/-5,748	3,801	+/-1,016	2.8%	+/-0.7
<b>EMPLOYMENT STATUS</b>						
Civilian labor force 16 years and over	371,960	+/-5,118	25,622	+/-2,995	6.9%	+/-0.8
Employed	344,021	+/-5,500	16,817	+/-2,328	4.9%	+/-0.7
Male	184,234	+/-4,437	8,588	+/-1,476	4.7%	+/-0.8
Female	159,787	+/-3,421	8,229	+/-1,525	5.1%	+/-1.0
Unemployed	27,939	+/-2,700	8,805	+/-1,410	31.5%	+/-4.2
Male	17,105	+/-2,001	5,219	+/-1,115	30.5%	+/-5.1
Female	10,834	+/-1,727	3,586	+/-834	33.1%	+/-6.4
<b>WORK EXPERIENCE</b>						
Population 16 years and over	558,665	+/-1,294	55,563	+/-4,330	9.9%	+/-0.8
Worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	241,972	+/-5,788	4,177	+/-1,108	1.7%	+/-0.5
Worked part-time or part-year in the past 12 months	159,507	+/-5,643	22,136	+/-2,748	13.9%	+/-1.6
Did not work	157,186	+/-5,681	29,250	+/-2,992	18.6%	+/-1.8
<b>ALL INDIVIDUALS WITH INCOME BELOW THE FOLLOWING POVERTY RATIOS</b>						
50 percent of poverty level	41,036	+/-3,678	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)

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125 percent of poverty level	104,532	+/-7,968	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
150 percent of poverty level	132,189	+/-8,906	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
185 percent of poverty level	172,418	+/-10,298	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
200 percent of poverty level	188,200	+/-10,423	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
300 percent of poverty level	300,309	+/-10,909	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
400 percent of poverty level	404,419	+/-10,429	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
500 percent of poverty level	481,780	+/-9,945	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
UNRELATED INDIVIDUALS FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED	149,444	+/-6,420	31,393	+/-3,481	21.0%	+/-1.9
Male	86,456	+/-4,694	16,876	+/-2,091	19.5%	+/-2.0
Female	62,988	+/-3,446	14,517	+/-2,383	23.0%	+/-3.2
15 years	407	+/-263	407	+/-263	100.0%	+/-21.1
16 to 17 years	845	+/-538	845	+/-538	100.0%	+/-10.9
18 to 24 years	16,172	+/-1,943	7,322	+/-1,825	45.3%	+/-8.9
25 to 34 years	32,461	+/-3,093	5,572	+/-1,251	17.2%	+/-3.4
35 to 44 years	23,039	+/-2,683	3,589	+/-844	15.6%	+/-3.8
45 to 54 years	22,448	+/-2,584	4,817	+/-1,141	21.5%	+/-4.6
55 to 64 years	28,069	+/-2,047	5,164	+/-1,035	18.4%	+/-3.5
65 to 74 years	16,110	+/-1,530	1,609	+/-727	10.0%	+/-4.2
75 years and over	9,893	+/-1,235	2,068	+/-709	20.9%	+/-6.2
Mean income deficit for unrelated individuals (dollars)	7,952	+/-330	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Worked full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	70,231	+/-4,299	2,172	+/-846	3.1%	+/-1.2
Worked less than full-time, year-round in the past 12 months	41,167	+/-3,468	12,445	+/-1,926	30.2%	+/-3.4
Did not work	38,046	+/-3,459	16,776	+/-2,609	44.1%	+/-4.3

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 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.

While the 2017 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the July 2015 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) delineations 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 delineations due to differences in the effective dates of the geographic entities.

Estimates of urban and rural populations, 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.