

DISABILITY CHARACTERISTICS
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:

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Subject	Alaska					
	Total		With a disability		Percent with a disability	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
Total civilian noninstitutionalized population	716,178	+/-2,175	90,398	+/-4,922	12.6%	+/-0.7
SEX						
Male	366,114	+/-3,066	49,987	+/-3,429	13.7%	+/-0.9
Female	350,064	+/-2,412	40,411	+/-2,783	11.5%	+/-0.8
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN						
White alone	459,917	+/-3,458	57,928	+/-3,607	12.6%	+/-0.8
Black or African American alone	19,201	+/-2,051	4,021	+/-1,283	20.9%	+/-7.1
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	108,112	+/-4,664	13,858	+/-1,345	12.8%	+/-1.3
Asian alone	48,930	+/-2,298	4,439	+/-993	9.1%	+/-2.0
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	N	N	N	N	N	N
Some other race alone	10,213	+/-2,220	1,969	+/-1,001	19.3%	+/-8.6
Two or more races	61,404	+/-5,392	7,170	+/-1,544	11.7%	+/-2.2
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	435,077	+/-1,913	56,362	+/-3,700	13.0%	+/-0.8
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	48,224	+/-1,139	4,754	+/-1,209	9.9%	+/-2.5
AGE						
Under 5 years	52,917	+/-845	500	+/-326	0.9%	+/-0.6
5 to 17 years	131,905	+/-865	5,255	+/-1,228	4.0%	+/-0.9
18 to 34 years	175,222	+/-2,925	13,877	+/-2,319	7.9%	+/-1.3
35 to 64 years	274,622	+/-2,524	39,210	+/-3,563	14.3%	+/-1.3
65 to 74 years	56,426	+/-1,275	17,443	+/-1,766	30.9%	+/-3.0
75 years and over	25,086	+/-849	14,113	+/-1,239	56.3%	+/-4.2
DISABILITY TYPE BY DETAILED AGE						
With a hearing difficulty	(X)	(X)	33,682	+/-2,618	4.7%	+/-0.4
Population under 18 years	184,822	+/-204	675	+/-408	0.4%	+/-0.2
Population under 5 years	52,917	+/-845	141	+/-85	0.3%	+/-0.2
Population 5 to 17 years	131,905	+/-865	534	+/-391	0.4%	+/-0.3
Population 18 to 64 years	449,844	+/-2,644	15,714	+/-1,879	3.5%	+/-0.4
Population 18 to 34 years	175,222	+/-2,925	2,165	+/-776	1.2%	+/-0.4
Population 35 to 64 years	274,622	+/-2,524	13,549	+/-1,742	4.9%	+/-0.6
Population 65 years and over	81,512	+/-1,039	17,293	+/-1,563	21.2%	+/-1.8
Population 65 to 74 years	56,426	+/-1,275	9,483	+/-1,326	16.8%	+/-2.2
Population 75 years and over	25,086	+/-849	7,810	+/-1,132	31.1%	+/-4.1
With a vision difficulty	(X)	(X)	19,008	+/-2,338	2.7%	+/-0.3
Population under 18 years	184,822	+/-204	1,547	+/-479	0.8%	+/-0.3
Population under 5 years	52,917	+/-845	412	+/-323	0.8%	+/-0.6
Population 5 to 17 years	131,905	+/-865	1,135	+/-455	0.9%	+/-0.3
Population 18 to 64 years	449,844	+/-2,644	11,402	+/-1,948	2.5%	+/-0.4
Population 18 to 34 years	175,222	+/-2,925	3,100	+/-1,007	1.8%	+/-0.6
Population 35 to 64 years	274,622	+/-2,524	8,302	+/-1,531	3.0%	+/-0.6
Population 65 years and over	81,512	+/-1,039	6,059	+/-1,018	7.4%	+/-1.2
Population 65 to 74 years	56,426	+/-1,275	2,895	+/-771	5.1%	+/-1.4
Population 75 years and over	25,086	+/-849	3,164	+/-740	12.6%	+/-3.0
With a cognitive difficulty	(X)	(X)	31,586	+/-3,220	4.8%	+/-0.5
Population under 18 years	131,905	+/-865	3,969	+/-1,134	3.0%	+/-0.9
Population 18 to 64 years	449,844	+/-2,644	21,349	+/-2,730	4.7%	+/-0.6
Population 18 to 34 years	175,222	+/-2,925	8,560	+/-1,834	4.9%	+/-1.0
Population 35 to 64 years	274,622	+/-2,524	12,789	+/-2,250	4.7%	+/-0.8

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	Total		With a disability		Percent with a disability	
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Population 65 years and over	81,512	+/-1,039	6,268	+/-913	7.7%	+/-1.1
Population 65 to 74 years	56,426	+/-1,275	2,500	+/-647	4.4%	+/-1.2
Population 75 years and over	25,086	+/-849	3,768	+/-736	15.0%	+/-2.9
With an ambulatory difficulty	(X)	(X)	40,843	+/-2,875	6.2%	+/-0.4
Population under 18 years	131,905	+/-865	530	+/-405	0.4%	+/-0.3
Population 18 to 64 years	449,844	+/-2,644	23,061	+/-2,355	5.1%	+/-0.5
Population 18 to 34 years	175,222	+/-2,925	3,126	+/-1,048	1.8%	+/-0.6
Population 35 to 64 years	274,622	+/-2,524	19,935	+/-2,257	7.3%	+/-0.8
Population 65 years and over	81,512	+/-1,039	17,252	+/-1,521	21.2%	+/-1.9
Population 65 to 74 years	56,426	+/-1,275	8,347	+/-1,114	14.8%	+/-2.0
Population 75 years and over	25,086	+/-849	8,905	+/-967	35.5%	+/-3.6
With a self-care difficulty	(X)	(X)	15,100	+/-1,916	2.3%	+/-0.3
Population under 18 years	131,905	+/-865	1,055	+/-799	0.8%	+/-0.6
Population 18 to 64 years	449,844	+/-2,644	8,807	+/-1,600	2.0%	+/-0.4
Population 18 to 34 years	175,222	+/-2,925	2,487	+/-1,064	1.4%	+/-0.6
Population 35 to 64 years	274,622	+/-2,524	6,320	+/-1,394	2.3%	+/-0.5
Population 65 years and over	81,512	+/-1,039	5,238	+/-931	6.4%	+/-1.1
Population 65 to 74 years	56,426	+/-1,275	1,950	+/-695	3.5%	+/-1.2
Population 75 years and over	25,086	+/-849	3,288	+/-686	13.1%	+/-2.7
With an independent living difficulty	(X)	(X)	25,722	+/-2,722	4.8%	+/-0.5
Population 18 to 64 years	449,844	+/-2,644	16,021	+/-2,431	3.6%	+/-0.5
Population 18 to 34 years	175,222	+/-2,925	5,367	+/-1,290	3.1%	+/-0.7
Population 35 to 64 years	274,622	+/-2,524	10,654	+/-1,894	3.9%	+/-0.7
Population 65 years and over	81,512	+/-1,039	9,701	+/-1,300	11.9%	+/-1.6
Population 65 to 74 years	56,426	+/-1,275	3,658	+/-819	6.5%	+/-1.5
Population 75 years and over	25,086	+/-849	6,043	+/-992	24.1%	+/-3.9

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.

The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Accordingly, comparisons of disability data from 2008 or later with data from prior years are not recommended. For more information on these questions and their evaluation in the 2006 ACS Content Test, see the [Evaluation Report Covering Disability](#).

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.