

SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS
2016 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

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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.

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Subject	Alaska			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	310,672	+/-143	310,672	(X)
Occupied housing units	248,468	+/-2,841	80.0%	+/-0.9
Vacant housing units	62,204	+/-2,847	20.0%	+/-0.9
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.8	+/-0.5	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	5.8	+/-1.3	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	310,672	+/-143	310,672	(X)
1-unit, detached	200,542	+/-3,100	64.6%	+/-1.0
1-unit, attached	20,740	+/-1,983	6.7%	+/-0.6
2 units	16,420	+/-2,048	5.3%	+/-0.7
3 or 4 units	22,360	+/-2,506	7.2%	+/-0.8
5 to 9 units	14,077	+/-1,809	4.5%	+/-0.6
10 to 19 units	7,117	+/-1,244	2.3%	+/-0.4
20 or more units	13,197	+/-1,409	4.2%	+/-0.5
Mobile home	15,856	+/-2,020	5.1%	+/-0.7
Boat, RV, van, etc.	363	+/-258	0.1%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	310,672	+/-143	310,672	(X)
Built 2014 or later	3,000	+/-887	1.0%	+/-0.3
Built 2010 to 2013	8,969	+/-1,348	2.9%	+/-0.4
Built 2000 to 2009	49,186	+/-3,199	15.8%	+/-1.0
Built 1990 to 1999	44,762	+/-2,494	14.4%	+/-0.8
Built 1980 to 1989	82,806	+/-3,762	26.7%	+/-1.2
Built 1970 to 1979	72,691	+/-3,424	23.4%	+/-1.1
Built 1960 to 1969	26,683	+/-2,379	8.6%	+/-0.8
Built 1950 to 1959	13,787	+/-1,323	4.4%	+/-0.4
Built 1940 to 1949	4,381	+/-839	1.4%	+/-0.3
Built 1939 or earlier	4,407	+/-773	1.4%	+/-0.2
ROOMS				
Total housing units	310,672	+/-143	310,672	(X)
1 room	18,953	+/-1,684	6.1%	+/-0.5
2 rooms	21,855	+/-1,578	7.0%	+/-0.5
3 rooms	39,021	+/-2,794	12.6%	+/-0.9
4 rooms	62,204	+/-3,446	20.0%	+/-1.1
5 rooms	52,375	+/-3,107	16.9%	+/-1.0
6 rooms	44,242	+/-3,184	14.2%	+/-1.0
7 rooms	28,651	+/-2,332	9.2%	+/-0.8
8 rooms	19,897	+/-2,110	6.4%	+/-0.7
9 rooms or more	23,474	+/-2,338	7.6%	+/-0.8
Median rooms	4.8	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	310,672	+/-143	310,672	(X)
No bedroom	20,372	+/-1,833	6.6%	+/-0.6
1 bedroom	40,085	+/-1,997	12.9%	+/-0.6
2 bedrooms	80,514	+/-3,878	25.9%	+/-1.2
3 bedrooms	109,186	+/-4,246	35.1%	+/-1.4
4 bedrooms	50,251	+/-2,836	16.2%	+/-0.9
5 or more bedrooms	10,264	+/-1,428	3.3%	+/-0.5
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	248,468	+/-2,841	248,468	(X)
Owner-occupied	160,215	+/-3,268	64.5%	+/-1.3
Renter-occupied	88,253	+/-3,611	35.5%	+/-1.3
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.97	+/-0.05	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.69	+/-0.07	(X)	(X)

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YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	248,468	+/-2,841	248,468	(X)
Moved in 2015 or later	55,011	+/-3,072	22.1%	+/-1.2
Moved in 2010 to 2014	73,076	+/-3,073	29.4%	+/-1.2
Moved in 2000 to 2009	59,911	+/-3,189	24.1%	+/-1.2
Moved in 1990 to 1999	30,901	+/-2,422	12.4%	+/-1.0
Moved in 1980 to 1989	19,046	+/-1,622	7.7%	+/-0.7
Moved in 1979 and earlier	10,523	+/-1,341	4.2%	+/-0.5
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	248,468	+/-2,841	248,468	(X)
No vehicles available	23,296	+/-1,879	9.4%	+/-0.7
1 vehicle available	72,218	+/-3,668	29.1%	+/-1.5
2 vehicles available	93,766	+/-4,252	37.7%	+/-1.6
3 or more vehicles available	59,188	+/-3,131	23.8%	+/-1.3
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	248,468	+/-2,841	248,468	(X)
Utility gas	121,177	+/-2,888	48.8%	+/-1.0
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	3,726	+/-706	1.5%	+/-0.3
Electricity	30,368	+/-2,360	12.2%	+/-0.9
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	70,918	+/-2,805	28.5%	+/-1.1
Coal or coke	915	+/-444	0.4%	+/-0.2
Wood	16,416	+/-1,670	6.6%	+/-0.7
Solar energy	0	+/-155	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	3,627	+/-1,026	1.5%	+/-0.4
No fuel used	1,321	+/-573	0.5%	+/-0.2
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	248,468	+/-2,841	248,468	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	10,012	+/-1,383	4.0%	+/-0.6
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	8,194	+/-1,192	3.3%	+/-0.5
No telephone service available	6,214	+/-1,229	2.5%	+/-0.5
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	248,468	+/-2,841	248,468	(X)
1.00 or less	231,458	+/-3,263	93.2%	+/-0.7
1.01 to 1.50	9,932	+/-1,551	4.0%	+/-0.6
1.51 or more	7,078	+/-1,053	2.8%	+/-0.4
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	160,215	+/-3,268	160,215	(X)
Less than \$50,000	10,496	+/-1,467	6.6%	+/-0.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8,979	+/-1,233	5.6%	+/-0.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	9,888	+/-1,307	6.2%	+/-0.8
\$150,000 to \$199,999	16,914	+/-1,793	10.6%	+/-1.1
\$200,000 to \$299,999	47,773	+/-2,489	29.8%	+/-1.5
\$300,000 to \$499,999	50,587	+/-2,985	31.6%	+/-1.8
\$500,000 to \$999,999	14,353	+/-1,816	9.0%	+/-1.1
\$1,000,000 or more	1,225	+/-454	0.8%	+/-0.3
Median (dollars)	267,800	+/-5,996	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	160,215	+/-3,268	160,215	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	101,016	+/-3,243	63.1%	+/-1.6
Housing units without a mortgage	59,199	+/-2,844	36.9%	+/-1.6
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	101,016	+/-3,243	101,016	(X)
Less than \$500	1,014	+/-479	1.0%	+/-0.5
\$500 to \$999	7,635	+/-1,536	7.6%	+/-1.5
\$1,000 to \$1,499	20,300	+/-1,929	20.1%	+/-1.9
\$1,500 to \$1,999	30,640	+/-2,216	30.3%	+/-2.1
\$2,000 to \$2,499	21,213	+/-2,160	21.0%	+/-2.0
\$2,500 to \$2,999	9,718	+/-1,405	9.6%	+/-1.3
\$3,000 or more	10,496	+/-1,632	10.4%	+/-1.6
Median (dollars)	1,851	+/-33	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	59,199	+/-2,844	59,199	(X)
Less than \$250	7,315	+/-954	12.4%	+/-1.5
\$250 to \$399	10,419	+/-1,340	17.6%	+/-2.2
\$400 to \$599	16,009	+/-1,670	27.0%	+/-2.3
\$600 to \$799	13,622	+/-1,320	23.0%	+/-2.1
\$800 to \$999	6,512	+/-1,023	11.0%	+/-1.6
\$1,000 or more	5,322	+/-1,138	9.0%	+/-1.9
Median (dollars)	547	+/-18	(X)	(X)

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SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAP)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP cannot be computed)	100,640	+/-3,258	100,640	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	43,305	+/-2,466	43.0%	+/-2.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	18,660	+/-2,005	18.5%	+/-1.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	10,327	+/-1,298	10.3%	+/-1.2
30.0 to 34.9 percent	8,744	+/-1,781	8.7%	+/-1.7
35.0 percent or more	19,604	+/-2,219	19.5%	+/-2.0
Not computed	376	+/-287	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP cannot be computed)				
Less than 10.0 percent	30,283	+/-2,096	51.6%	+/-2.4
10.0 to 14.9 percent	11,071	+/-1,353	18.9%	+/-2.2
15.0 to 19.9 percent	5,746	+/-948	9.8%	+/-1.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	2,950	+/-719	5.0%	+/-1.2
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,843	+/-499	3.1%	+/-0.8
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,703	+/-513	2.9%	+/-0.8
35.0 percent or more	5,080	+/-952	8.7%	+/-1.6
Not computed	523	+/-329	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	80,663	+/-3,803	80,663	(X)
Less than \$500	4,713	+/-1,035	5.8%	+/-1.2
\$500 to \$999	22,236	+/-2,253	27.6%	+/-2.6
\$1,000 to \$1,499	29,892	+/-2,414	37.1%	+/-2.4
\$1,500 to \$1,999	14,362	+/-1,979	17.8%	+/-2.2
\$2,000 to \$2,499	7,173	+/-1,241	8.9%	+/-1.5
\$2,500 to \$2,999	1,714	+/-623	2.1%	+/-0.8
\$3,000 or more	573	+/-258	0.7%	+/-0.3
Median (dollars)	1,208	+/-34	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	7,590	+/-1,013	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAP)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAP cannot be computed)	80,403	+/-3,812	80,403	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	12,534	+/-1,791	15.6%	+/-2.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	13,019	+/-1,639	16.2%	+/-1.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	11,388	+/-1,752	14.2%	+/-2.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	9,739	+/-1,433	12.1%	+/-1.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	7,281	+/-1,416	9.1%	+/-1.7
35.0 percent or more	26,442	+/-2,410	32.9%	+/-2.6
Not computed	7,850	+/-1,011	(X)	(X)

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.

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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.

Telephone service data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with data collection of this question that occurred in 2015 and 2016. Both ACS 1-year and ACS 5-year files were affected. It may take several years in the ACS 5-year files until the estimates are available for the geographic areas affected.

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.