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2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-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.

Subject	Rensselaer city, Rensselaer County, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	4,235	+/-239	4,235	(X)
Family households (families)	2,214	+/-183	52.3%	+/-5.5
With own children of the householder under 18 years	839	+/-157	19.8%	+/-4.1
Married-couple family	1,361	+/-194	32.1%	+/-5.1
With own children of the householder under 18 years	427	+/-124	10.1%	+/-3.1
Male householder, no wife present, family	161	+/-66	3.8%	+/-1.6
With own children of the householder under 18 years	70	+/-37	1.7%	+/-0.9
Female householder, no husband present, family	692	+/-165	16.3%	+/-4.0
With own children of the householder under 18 years	342	+/-141	8.1%	+/-3.4
Nonfamily households	2,021	+/-317	47.7%	+/-5.5
Householder living alone	1,631	+/-281	38.5%	+/-4.9
65 years and over	470	+/-124	11.1%	+/-2.7
Households with one or more people under 18 years	1,012	+/-158	23.9%	+/-4.3
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	947	+/-136	22.4%	+/-2.9
Average household size	2.24	+/-0.13	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.00	+/-0.16	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	9,478	+/-34	9,478	(X)
Householder	4,235	+/-239	44.7%	+/-2.5
Spouse	1,372	+/-201	14.5%	+/-2.1
Child	2,581	+/-295	27.2%	+/-3.1
Other relatives	486	+/-173	5.1%	+/-1.8
Nonrelatives	804	+/-235	8.5%	+/-2.5
Unmarried partner	475	+/-165	5.0%	+/-1.7

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MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	3,628	+/-250	3,628	(X)
Never married	1,571	+/-248	43.3%	+/-5.7
Now married, except separated	1,478	+/-204	40.7%	+/-5.6
Separated	64	+/-50	1.8%	+/-1.4
Widowed	152	+/-91	4.2%	+/-2.5
Divorced	363	+/-122	10.0%	+/-3.2
Females 15 years and over	4,116	+/-237	4,116	(X)
Never married	1,474	+/-235	35.8%	+/-4.9
Now married, except separated	1,391	+/-195	33.8%	+/-4.9
Separated	142	+/-87	3.4%	+/-2.1
Widowed	550	+/-147	13.4%	+/-3.4
Divorced	559	+/-140	13.6%	+/-3.3
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	95	+/-63	95	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	64	+/-56	67.4%	+/-34.8
Per 1,000 unmarried women	42	+/-38	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	40	+/-27	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	105	+/-158	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	55	+/-49	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	16	+/-25	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	231	+/-110	231	(X)
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren	70	+/-52	30.3%	+/-23.3
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-12.2
1 or 2 years	12	+/-19	5.2%	+/-8.6
3 or 4 years	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-12.2
5 or more years	58	+/-48	25.1%	+/-21.9
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	70	+/-52	70	(X)
Who are female	52	+/-38	74.3%	+/-19.6
Who are married	48	+/-46	68.6%	+/-32.4
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	2,129	+/-241	2,129	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	244	+/-97	11.5%	+/-4.7
Kindergarten	177	+/-105	8.3%	+/-4.9
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	785	+/-184	36.9%	+/-7.5
High school (grades 9-12)	393	+/-155	18.5%	+/-7.4
College or graduate school	530	+/-217	24.9%	+/-9.0
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	6,696	+/-305	6,696	(X)
Less than 9th grade	203	+/-78	3.0%	+/-1.1
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	493	+/-200	7.4%	+/-3.0
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	2,193	+/-335	32.8%	+/-4.8
Some college, no degree	1,518	+/-254	22.7%	+/-3.7
Associate's degree	736	+/-239	11.0%	+/-3.5
Bachelor's degree	919	+/-275	13.7%	+/-4.1
Graduate or professional degree	634	+/-217	9.5%	+/-3.1
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	89.6%	+/-2.8
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	23.2%	+/-4.7

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VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	7,419	+/-287	7,419	(X)
Civilian veterans	714	+/-179	9.6%	+/-2.4
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	9,492	+/-34	9,492	(X)
With a disability	1,554	+/-334	16.4%	+/-3.5
Under 18 years				
With a disability	154	+/-100	7.4%	+/-4.6
18 to 64 years				
With a disability	920	+/-254	14.8%	+/-4.0
65 years and over				
With a disability	480	+/-146	39.3%	+/-9.9
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	9,429	+/-55	9,429	(X)
Same house	7,803	+/-414	82.8%	+/-4.3
Different house in the U.S.	1,602	+/-406	17.0%	+/-4.3
Same county	753	+/-340	8.0%	+/-3.6
Different county	849	+/-281	9.0%	+/-3.0
Same state	494	+/-205	5.2%	+/-2.2
Different state	355	+/-209	3.8%	+/-2.2
Abroad	24	+/-29	0.3%	+/-0.3
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	9,502	+/-28	9,502	(X)
Native	9,109	+/-265	95.9%	+/-2.8
Born in United States	9,049	+/-270	95.2%	+/-2.8
State of residence	8,068	+/-335	84.9%	+/-3.6
Different state	981	+/-231	10.3%	+/-2.4
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	60	+/-49	0.6%	+/-0.5
Foreign born	393	+/-264	4.1%	+/-2.8
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	393	+/-264	393	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	178	+/-113	45.3%	+/-34.8
Not a U.S. citizen	215	+/-243	54.7%	+/-34.8
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	453	+/-270	453	(X)
Native				
Entered 2010 or later	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-36.7
Entered before 2010	60	+/-49	100.0%	+/-36.7
Foreign born				
Entered 2010 or later	47	+/-60	12.0%	+/-10.4
Entered before 2010	346	+/-217	88.0%	+/-10.4
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	393	+/-264	393	(X)
Europe	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-7.3
Asia	108	+/-97	27.5%	+/-27.7

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Africa	30	+/-52	7.6%	+/-14.8
Oceania	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-7.3
Latin America	255	+/-255	64.9%	+/-33.1
Northern America	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-7.3
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	8,856	+/-181	8,856	(X)
English only	8,614	+/-214	97.3%	+/-1.4
Language other than English	242	+/-121	2.7%	+/-1.4
Speak English less than "very well"	129	+/-95	1.5%	+/-1.1
Spanish	168	+/-112	1.9%	+/-1.3
Speak English less than "very well"	123	+/-96	1.4%	+/-1.1
Other Indo-European languages	28	+/-29	0.3%	+/-0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.3
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	46	+/-43	0.5%	+/-0.5
Speak English less than "very well"	6	+/-10	0.1%	+/-0.1
Other languages	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.3
ANCESTRY				
Total population	9,502	+/-28	9,502	(X)
American	625	+/-288	6.6%	+/-3.0
Arab	30	+/-43	0.3%	+/-0.5
Czech	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.3
Danish	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.3
Dutch	660	+/-214	6.9%	+/-2.3
English	731	+/-276	7.7%	+/-2.9
French (except Basque)	473	+/-151	5.0%	+/-1.6
French Canadian	447	+/-234	4.7%	+/-2.5
German	1,730	+/-449	18.2%	+/-4.7
Greek	9	+/-16	0.1%	+/-0.2
Hungarian	46	+/-73	0.5%	+/-0.8
Irish	2,921	+/-455	30.7%	+/-4.8
Italian	1,496	+/-350	15.7%	+/-3.7
Lithuanian	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.3
Norwegian	14	+/-22	0.1%	+/-0.2
Polish	568	+/-221	6.0%	+/-2.3
Portuguese	24	+/-28	0.3%	+/-0.3
Russian	280	+/-236	2.9%	+/-2.5
Scotch-Irish	31	+/-50	0.3%	+/-0.5
Scottish	117	+/-100	1.2%	+/-1.1
Slovak	53	+/-86	0.6%	+/-0.9
Subsaharan African	43	+/-55	0.5%	+/-0.6
Swedish	86	+/-86	0.9%	+/-0.9
Swiss	16	+/-25	0.2%	+/-0.3
Ukrainian	14	+/-23	0.1%	+/-0.2
Welsh	127	+/-78	1.3%	+/-0.8
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	47	+/-47	0.5%	+/-0.5
COMPUTERS AND INTERNET USE				
Total households	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a computer	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a broadband Internet subscription	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)

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.

Ancestry listed in this table refers to the total number of people who responded with a particular ancestry; for example, the estimate given for Russian represents the number of people who listed Russian as either their first or second ancestry. This table lists only the largest ancestry groups; see the Detailed Tables for more categories. Race and Hispanic origin groups are not included in this table because official data for those groups come from the Race and Hispanic origin questions rather than the ancestry question (see Demographic Table).

Data for year of entry of the native population reflect the year of entry into the U.S. by people who were born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island Areas or born outside the U.S. to a U.S. citizen parent and who subsequently moved to the U.S.

Fertility data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with data collection. See Errata Note #92 for details.

Methodological changes to data collection in 2013 may have affected language data for 2013. Users should be aware of these changes when using multi-year data containing data from 2013. For more information, see: Language User Note.

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 2011-2015 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.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Explanation of Symbols:

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
4. An '+' following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
5. 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.
6. An '*****' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.
7. 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.
8. An '(X)' means that the estimate is not applicable or not available.