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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

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.

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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.

A processing error was found in the Year Structure Built estimates since data year 2008. For more information, please see the errata note #110.

Subject	Rensselaer city, Rensselaer County, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	4,731	+/-281	4,731	(X)
Occupied housing units	4,235	+/-239	89.5%	+/-3.6
Vacant housing units	496	+/-182	10.5%	+/-3.6
Homeowner vacancy rate	0.6	+/-1.1	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	2.6	+/-3.1	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	4,731	+/-281	4,731	(X)
1-unit, detached	1,663	+/-259	35.2%	+/-4.6
1-unit, attached	235	+/-91	5.0%	+/-1.9
2 units	1,076	+/-218	22.7%	+/-4.6
3 or 4 units	548	+/-174	11.6%	+/-3.6
5 to 9 units	479	+/-146	10.1%	+/-3.0
10 to 19 units	376	+/-173	7.9%	+/-3.7
20 or more units	354	+/-87	7.5%	+/-1.8
Mobile home	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.6
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.6
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	4,731	+/-281	4,731	(X)
Built 2014 or later	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.6
Built 2010 to 2013	22	+/-24	0.5%	+/-0.5
Built 2000 to 2009	759	+/-189	16.0%	+/-4.0
Built 1990 to 1999	393	+/-119	8.3%	+/-2.5
Built 1980 to 1989	234	+/-82	4.9%	+/-1.8
Built 1970 to 1979	257	+/-91	5.4%	+/-1.9
Built 1960 to 1969	197	+/-79	4.2%	+/-1.7

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
Built 1950 to 1959	286	+/-119	6.0%	+/-2.4
Built 1940 to 1949	190	+/-77	4.0%	+/-1.6
Built 1939 or earlier	2,393	+/-271	50.6%	+/-4.6
ROOMS				
Total housing units	4,731	+/-281	4,731	(X)
1 room	77	+/-56	1.6%	+/-1.2
2 rooms	223	+/-106	4.7%	+/-2.2
3 rooms	946	+/-238	20.0%	+/-4.7
4 rooms	838	+/-224	17.7%	+/-4.6
5 rooms	864	+/-219	18.3%	+/-4.6
6 rooms	784	+/-182	16.6%	+/-3.8
7 rooms	454	+/-141	9.6%	+/-2.9
8 rooms	178	+/-73	3.8%	+/-1.6
9 rooms or more	367	+/-139	7.8%	+/-2.9
Median rooms	4.8	+/-0.3	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	4,731	+/-281	4,731	(X)
No bedroom	77	+/-56	1.6%	+/-1.2
1 bedroom	1,108	+/-257	23.4%	+/-4.7
2 bedrooms	1,811	+/-274	38.3%	+/-5.5
3 bedrooms	1,237	+/-191	26.1%	+/-4.1
4 bedrooms	407	+/-132	8.6%	+/-2.8
5 or more bedrooms	91	+/-57	1.9%	+/-1.2
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	4,235	+/-239	4,235	(X)
Owner-occupied	1,868	+/-211	44.1%	+/-4.4
Renter-occupied	2,367	+/-237	55.9%	+/-4.4
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.40	+/-0.20	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.11	+/-0.18	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	4,235	+/-239	4,235	(X)
Moved in 2015 or later	29	+/-34	0.7%	+/-0.8
Moved in 2010 to 2014	1,702	+/-260	40.2%	+/-5.6
Moved in 2000 to 2009	1,316	+/-233	31.1%	+/-5.3
Moved in 1990 to 1999	459	+/-121	10.8%	+/-2.9
Moved in 1980 to 1989	275	+/-98	6.5%	+/-2.3
Moved in 1979 and earlier	454	+/-128	10.7%	+/-2.9
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	4,235	+/-239	4,235	(X)
No vehicles available	569	+/-135	13.4%	+/-3.3
1 vehicle available	2,028	+/-288	47.9%	+/-5.6
2 vehicles available	1,320	+/-218	31.2%	+/-5.2
3 or more vehicles available	318	+/-132	7.5%	+/-3.0
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	4,235	+/-239	4,235	(X)
Utility gas	3,070	+/-262	72.5%	+/-4.4
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	67	+/-52	1.6%	+/-1.2
Electricity	930	+/-198	22.0%	+/-4.6
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	112	+/-69	2.6%	+/-1.6
Coal or coke	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.7
Wood	34	+/-43	0.8%	+/-1.0
Solar energy	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.7

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Other fuel	14	+/-23	0.3%	+/-0.6
No fuel used	8	+/-12	0.2%	+/-0.3
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	4,235	+/-239	4,235	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	26	+/-35	0.6%	+/-0.8
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	26	+/-35	0.6%	+/-0.8
No telephone service available	61	+/-53	1.4%	+/-1.3
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	4,235	+/-239	4,235	(X)
1.00 or less	4,188	+/-264	98.9%	+/-1.3
1.01 to 1.50	47	+/-54	1.1%	+/-1.3
1.51 or more	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.7
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	1,868	+/-211	1,868	(X)
Less than \$50,000	139	+/-77	7.4%	+/-4.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	419	+/-127	22.4%	+/-6.2
\$100,000 to \$149,999	462	+/-110	24.7%	+/-5.6
\$150,000 to \$199,999	540	+/-133	28.9%	+/-5.7
\$200,000 to \$299,999	289	+/-94	15.5%	+/-4.9
\$300,000 to \$499,999	19	+/-33	1.0%	+/-1.7
\$500,000 to \$999,999	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-1.6
\$1,000,000 or more	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-1.6
Median (dollars)	141,700	+/-11,331	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	1,868	+/-211	1,868	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	1,307	+/-202	70.0%	+/-6.7
Housing units without a mortgage	561	+/-136	30.0%	+/-6.7
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	1,307	+/-202	1,307	(X)
Less than \$500	15	+/-22	1.1%	+/-1.7
\$500 to \$999	379	+/-128	29.0%	+/-8.7
\$1,000 to \$1,499	467	+/-134	35.7%	+/-7.9
\$1,500 to \$1,999	310	+/-100	23.7%	+/-6.8
\$2,000 to \$2,499	121	+/-73	9.3%	+/-5.6
\$2,500 to \$2,999	15	+/-23	1.1%	+/-1.7
\$3,000 or more	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-2.3
Median (dollars)	1,339	+/-81	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	561	+/-136	561	(X)
Less than \$250	56	+/-50	10.0%	+/-8.6
\$250 to \$399	65	+/-41	11.6%	+/-7.5
\$400 to \$599	203	+/-90	36.2%	+/-15.1
\$600 to \$799	198	+/-108	35.3%	+/-15.5
\$800 to \$999	10	+/-16	1.8%	+/-2.8
\$1,000 or more	29	+/-25	5.2%	+/-4.3
Median (dollars)	557	+/-83	(X)	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAPI)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	1,292	+/-201	1,292	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	499	+/-132	38.6%	+/-8.2
20.0 to 24.9 percent	272	+/-92	21.1%	+/-6.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	198	+/-80	15.3%	+/-6.3
30.0 to 34.9 percent	15	+/-13	1.2%	+/-1.0

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
35.0 percent or more	308	+/-136	23.8%	+/-9.2
Not computed	15	+/-24	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	561	+/-136	561	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	201	+/-93	35.8%	+/-13.8
10.0 to 14.9 percent	114	+/-70	20.3%	+/-12.0
15.0 to 19.9 percent	103	+/-65	18.4%	+/-10.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	60	+/-38	10.7%	+/-7.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	15	+/-23	2.7%	+/-4.2
30.0 to 34.9 percent	50	+/-52	8.9%	+/-8.8
35.0 percent or more	18	+/-21	3.2%	+/-3.8
Not computed	0	+/-16	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	2,279	+/-238	2,279	(X)
Less than \$500	283	+/-133	12.4%	+/-5.7
\$500 to \$999	1,121	+/-229	49.2%	+/-8.0
\$1,000 to \$1,499	629	+/-155	27.6%	+/-6.5
\$1,500 to \$1,999	246	+/-132	10.8%	+/-5.7
\$2,000 to \$2,499	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-1.3
\$2,500 to \$2,999	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-1.3
\$3,000 or more	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-1.3
Median (dollars)	870	+/-67	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	88	+/-57	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	2,271	+/-238	2,271	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	344	+/-156	15.1%	+/-6.7
15.0 to 19.9 percent	329	+/-153	14.5%	+/-6.3
20.0 to 24.9 percent	159	+/-87	7.0%	+/-4.0
25.0 to 29.9 percent	202	+/-84	8.9%	+/-3.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	148	+/-107	6.5%	+/-4.5
35.0 percent or more	1,089	+/-223	48.0%	+/-8.9
Not computed	96	+/-58	(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.

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. See Errata Note #93 for details.

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.

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.
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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.