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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	Schenectady city, Schenectady County, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	31,369	+/-657	31,369	(X)
Occupied housing units	24,087	+/-648	76.8%	+/-1.5
Vacant housing units	7,282	+/-519	23.2%	+/-1.5
Homeowner vacancy rate	3.2	+/-1.3	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	6.9	+/-1.7	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	31,369	+/-657	31,369	(X)
1-unit, detached	11,884	+/-538	37.9%	+/-1.4
1-unit, attached	691	+/-198	2.2%	+/-0.6
2 units	10,313	+/-556	32.9%	+/-1.6
3 or 4 units	3,237	+/-318	10.3%	+/-1.0
5 to 9 units	1,724	+/-280	5.5%	+/-0.9
10 to 19 units	1,118	+/-195	3.6%	+/-0.6
20 or more units	2,334	+/-236	7.4%	+/-0.8
Mobile home	68	+/-75	0.2%	+/-0.2
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-27	0.0%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	31,369	+/-657	31,369	(X)
Built 2014 or later	13	+/-21	0.0%	+/-0.1
Built 2010 to 2013	12	+/-17	0.0%	+/-0.1
Built 2000 to 2009	433	+/-116	1.4%	+/-0.4
Built 1990 to 1999	1,202	+/-225	3.8%	+/-0.7
Built 1980 to 1989	1,599	+/-285	5.1%	+/-0.9
Built 1970 to 1979	1,907	+/-272	6.1%	+/-0.9
Built 1960 to 1969	1,883	+/-300	6.0%	+/-0.9

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Built 1950 to 1959	2,855	+/-353	9.1%	+/-1.1
Built 1940 to 1949	2,997	+/-337	9.6%	+/-1.0
Built 1939 or earlier	18,468	+/-622	58.9%	+/-1.4
ROOMS				
Total housing units	31,369	+/-657	31,369	(X)
1 room	731	+/-177	2.3%	+/-0.6
2 rooms	854	+/-185	2.7%	+/-0.6
3 rooms	3,883	+/-395	12.4%	+/-1.2
4 rooms	5,762	+/-503	18.4%	+/-1.6
5 rooms	6,301	+/-490	20.1%	+/-1.5
6 rooms	7,260	+/-540	23.1%	+/-1.6
7 rooms	3,073	+/-323	9.8%	+/-1.0
8 rooms	1,734	+/-227	5.5%	+/-0.7
9 rooms or more	1,771	+/-215	5.6%	+/-0.7
Median rooms	5.2	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	31,369	+/-657	31,369	(X)
No bedroom	852	+/-203	2.7%	+/-0.6
1 bedroom	5,249	+/-463	16.7%	+/-1.5
2 bedrooms	8,541	+/-575	27.2%	+/-1.7
3 bedrooms	12,757	+/-676	40.7%	+/-1.9
4 bedrooms	2,945	+/-358	9.4%	+/-1.1
5 or more bedrooms	1,025	+/-194	3.3%	+/-0.6
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	24,087	+/-648	24,087	(X)
Owner-occupied	11,648	+/-532	48.4%	+/-1.8
Renter-occupied	12,439	+/-552	51.6%	+/-1.8
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.86	+/-0.11	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.34	+/-0.10	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	24,087	+/-648	24,087	(X)
Moved in 2015 or later	406	+/-149	1.7%	+/-0.6
Moved in 2010 to 2014	7,912	+/-500	32.8%	+/-1.7
Moved in 2000 to 2009	9,171	+/-492	38.1%	+/-2.0
Moved in 1990 to 1999	2,755	+/-306	11.4%	+/-1.2
Moved in 1980 to 1989	1,505	+/-231	6.2%	+/-0.9
Moved in 1979 and earlier	2,338	+/-237	9.7%	+/-0.9
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	24,087	+/-648	24,087	(X)
No vehicles available	4,927	+/-428	20.5%	+/-1.8
1 vehicle available	10,919	+/-651	45.3%	+/-2.1
2 vehicles available	6,257	+/-451	26.0%	+/-1.7
3 or more vehicles available	1,984	+/-239	8.2%	+/-1.0
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	24,087	+/-648	24,087	(X)
Utility gas	18,670	+/-665	77.5%	+/-1.6
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	289	+/-97	1.2%	+/-0.4
Electricity	4,020	+/-339	16.7%	+/-1.4
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	815	+/-159	3.4%	+/-0.7
Coal or coke	18	+/-31	0.1%	+/-0.1
Wood	104	+/-87	0.4%	+/-0.4
Solar energy	11	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.1

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
Other fuel	104	+/-52	0.4%	+/-0.2
No fuel used	56	+/-38	0.2%	+/-0.2
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	24,087	+/-648	24,087	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	90	+/-64	0.4%	+/-0.3
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	238	+/-123	1.0%	+/-0.5
No telephone service available	568	+/-139	2.4%	+/-0.6
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	24,087	+/-648	24,087	(X)
1.00 or less	23,634	+/-654	98.1%	+/-0.5
1.01 to 1.50	252	+/-98	1.0%	+/-0.4
1.51 or more	201	+/-90	0.8%	+/-0.4
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	11,648	+/-532	11,648	(X)
Less than \$50,000	677	+/-160	5.8%	+/-1.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3,672	+/-358	31.5%	+/-2.3
\$100,000 to \$149,999	4,597	+/-359	39.5%	+/-2.8
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,921	+/-265	16.5%	+/-2.2
\$200,000 to \$299,999	495	+/-115	4.2%	+/-1.0
\$300,000 to \$499,999	194	+/-73	1.7%	+/-0.6
\$500,000 to \$999,999	70	+/-50	0.6%	+/-0.4
\$1,000,000 or more	22	+/-19	0.2%	+/-0.2
Median (dollars)	114,400	+/-2,274	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	11,648	+/-532	11,648	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	7,800	+/-447	67.0%	+/-2.2
Housing units without a mortgage	3,848	+/-299	33.0%	+/-2.2
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	7,800	+/-447	7,800	(X)
Less than \$500	188	+/-92	2.4%	+/-1.1
\$500 to \$999	1,304	+/-203	16.7%	+/-2.4
\$1,000 to \$1,499	3,831	+/-356	49.1%	+/-3.5
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,843	+/-268	23.6%	+/-3.2
\$2,000 to \$2,499	406	+/-106	5.2%	+/-1.4
\$2,500 to \$2,999	76	+/-41	1.0%	+/-0.5
\$3,000 or more	152	+/-82	1.9%	+/-1.1
Median (dollars)	1,304	+/-34	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	3,848	+/-299	3,848	(X)
Less than \$250	127	+/-62	3.3%	+/-1.6
\$250 to \$399	584	+/-156	15.2%	+/-3.9
\$400 to \$599	1,149	+/-195	29.9%	+/-4.3
\$600 to \$799	1,116	+/-177	29.0%	+/-4.2
\$800 to \$999	604	+/-142	15.7%	+/-3.4
\$1,000 or more	268	+/-89	7.0%	+/-2.3
Median (dollars)	611	+/-29	(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)	7,775	+/-446	7,775	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	2,702	+/-312	34.8%	+/-3.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,522	+/-257	19.6%	+/-3.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	932	+/-195	12.0%	+/-2.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	608	+/-159	7.8%	+/-2.0

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
35.0 percent or more	2,011	+/-265	25.9%	+/-3.1
Not computed	25	+/-29	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	3,812	+/-298	3,812	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	1,019	+/-150	26.7%	+/-3.7
10.0 to 14.9 percent	855	+/-155	22.4%	+/-3.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	615	+/-143	16.1%	+/-3.2
20.0 to 24.9 percent	467	+/-130	12.3%	+/-3.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	237	+/-68	6.2%	+/-1.8
30.0 to 34.9 percent	128	+/-72	3.4%	+/-1.9
35.0 percent or more	491	+/-123	12.9%	+/-3.0
Not computed	36	+/-43	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	11,993	+/-526	11,993	(X)
Less than \$500	1,825	+/-220	15.2%	+/-1.8
\$500 to \$999	7,978	+/-505	66.5%	+/-2.7
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,631	+/-282	13.6%	+/-2.3
\$1,500 to \$1,999	433	+/-146	3.6%	+/-1.2
\$2,000 to \$2,499	84	+/-46	0.7%	+/-0.4
\$2,500 to \$2,999	29	+/-33	0.2%	+/-0.3
\$3,000 or more	13	+/-19	0.1%	+/-0.2
Median (dollars)	811	+/-15	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	446	+/-128	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	11,781	+/-512	11,781	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	1,442	+/-267	12.2%	+/-2.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	1,311	+/-220	11.1%	+/-1.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,129	+/-217	9.6%	+/-1.8
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,305	+/-246	11.1%	+/-2.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	826	+/-214	7.0%	+/-1.7
35.0 percent or more	5,768	+/-471	49.0%	+/-3.5
Not computed	658	+/-165	(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.
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.