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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	Colonie town, Albany County, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	31,991	+/-516	31,991	(X)
Family households (families)	20,308	+/-483	63.5%	+/-1.5
With own children of the householder under 18 years	7,564	+/-358	23.6%	+/-1.2
Married-couple family	15,826	+/-484	49.5%	+/-1.6
With own children of the householder under 18 years	5,455	+/-335	17.1%	+/-1.1
Male householder, no wife present, family	1,423	+/-314	4.4%	+/-1.0
With own children of the householder under 18 years	616	+/-222	1.9%	+/-0.7
Female householder, no husband present, family	3,059	+/-362	9.6%	+/-1.1
With own children of the householder under 18 years	1,493	+/-260	4.7%	+/-0.8
Nonfamily households	11,683	+/-592	36.5%	+/-1.5
Householder living alone	9,744	+/-583	30.5%	+/-1.5
65 years and over	3,769	+/-337	11.8%	+/-1.0
Households with one or more people under 18 years	8,293	+/-357	25.9%	+/-1.2
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	9,416	+/-316	29.4%	+/-0.9
Average household size	2.47	+/-0.04	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.11	+/-0.06	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	79,061	+/-276	79,061	(X)
Householder	31,991	+/-516	40.5%	+/-0.6
Spouse	15,746	+/-471	19.9%	+/-0.6
Child	23,498	+/-778	29.7%	+/-1.0
Other relatives	3,550	+/-598	4.5%	+/-0.8
Nonrelatives	4,276	+/-483	5.4%	+/-0.6
Unmarried partner	2,136	+/-327	2.7%	+/-0.4

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MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	33,605	+/-598	33,605	(X)
Never married	12,485	+/-653	37.2%	+/-1.6
Now married, except separated	16,884	+/-491	50.2%	+/-1.6
Separated	621	+/-197	1.8%	+/-0.6
Widowed	796	+/-178	2.4%	+/-0.5
Divorced	2,819	+/-393	8.4%	+/-1.1
Females 15 years and over	36,725	+/-671	36,725	(X)
Never married	11,949	+/-662	32.5%	+/-1.5
Now married, except separated	16,796	+/-556	45.7%	+/-1.6
Separated	893	+/-217	2.4%	+/-0.6
Widowed	3,318	+/-325	9.0%	+/-0.9
Divorced	3,769	+/-416	10.3%	+/-1.1
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	692	+/-162	692	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	177	+/-96	25.6%	+/-12.3
Per 1,000 unmarried women	15	+/-8	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	34	+/-8	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	0	+/-9	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	51	+/-15	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	32	+/-14	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	1,030	+/-226	1,030	(X)
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren	441	+/-150	42.8%	+/-13.1
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	27	+/-31	2.6%	+/-3.2
1 or 2 years	228	+/-126	22.1%	+/-11.4
3 or 4 years	59	+/-39	5.7%	+/-3.8
5 or more years	127	+/-71	12.3%	+/-6.8
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	441	+/-150	441	(X)
Who are female	295	+/-99	66.9%	+/-8.6
Who are married	288	+/-141	65.3%	+/-18.5
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	21,035	+/-754	21,035	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	991	+/-212	4.7%	+/-1.0
Kindergarten	760	+/-163	3.6%	+/-0.7
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	7,147	+/-432	34.0%	+/-1.9
High school (grades 9-12)	4,217	+/-410	20.0%	+/-1.9
College or graduate school	7,920	+/-550	37.7%	+/-2.0
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	57,085	+/-755	57,085	(X)
Less than 9th grade	1,164	+/-288	2.0%	+/-0.5
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	2,327	+/-353	4.1%	+/-0.6
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	14,433	+/-761	25.3%	+/-1.3
Some college, no degree	9,532	+/-520	16.7%	+/-0.9
Associate's degree	7,378	+/-549	12.9%	+/-1.0
Bachelor's degree	12,637	+/-715	22.1%	+/-1.2
Graduate or professional degree	9,614	+/-583	16.8%	+/-1.0
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	93.9%	+/-0.8
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	39.0%	+/-1.5

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VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	66,836	+/-507	66,836	(X)
Civilian veterans	5,125	+/-424	7.7%	+/-0.6
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	81,709	+/-200	81,709	(X)
With a disability	8,982	+/-692	11.0%	+/-0.8
Under 18 years	15,869	+/-489	15,869	(X)
With a disability	530	+/-155	3.3%	+/-1.0
18 to 64 years	52,572	+/-561	52,572	(X)
With a disability	4,162	+/-496	7.9%	+/-0.9
65 years and over	13,268	+/-446	13,268	(X)
With a disability	4,290	+/-349	32.3%	+/-2.4
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	82,030	+/-180	82,030	(X)
Same house	72,811	+/-977	88.8%	+/-1.2
Different house in the U.S.	8,631	+/-907	10.5%	+/-1.1
Same county	4,364	+/-606	5.3%	+/-0.7
Different county	4,267	+/-667	5.2%	+/-0.8
Same state	3,245	+/-608	4.0%	+/-0.7
Different state	1,022	+/-292	1.2%	+/-0.4
Abroad	588	+/-283	0.7%	+/-0.3
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	82,750	+/-55	82,750	(X)
Native	74,218	+/-797	89.7%	+/-1.0
Born in United States	73,156	+/-726	88.4%	+/-0.9
State of residence	64,529	+/-846	78.0%	+/-1.0
Different state	8,627	+/-567	10.4%	+/-0.7
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	1,062	+/-379	1.3%	+/-0.5
Foreign born	8,532	+/-798	10.3%	+/-1.0
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	8,532	+/-798	8,532	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	5,390	+/-628	63.2%	+/-4.8
Not a U.S. citizen	3,142	+/-519	36.8%	+/-4.8
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	9,594	+/-728	9,594	(X)
Native	1,062	+/-379	1,062	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	77	+/-64	7.3%	+/-6.1
Entered before 2010	985	+/-369	92.7%	+/-6.1
Foreign born	8,532	+/-798	8,532	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	1,202	+/-354	14.1%	+/-3.4
Entered before 2010	7,330	+/-616	85.9%	+/-3.4
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	8,532	+/-798	8,532	(X)
Europe	2,165	+/-445	25.4%	+/-4.5
Asia	4,851	+/-568	56.9%	+/-4.3

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Africa	563	+/-240	6.6%	+/-2.7
Oceania	13	+/-16	0.2%	+/-0.2
Latin America	749	+/-247	8.8%	+/-2.9
Northern America	191	+/-106	2.2%	+/-1.3
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	79,040	+/-403	79,040	(X)
English only	67,941	+/-905	86.0%	+/-1.1
Language other than English	11,099	+/-861	14.0%	+/-1.1
Speak English less than "very well"	3,598	+/-472	4.6%	+/-0.6
Spanish	2,012	+/-426	2.5%	+/-0.5
Speak English less than "very well"	498	+/-182	0.6%	+/-0.2
Other Indo-European languages	5,675	+/-864	7.2%	+/-1.1
Speak English less than "very well"	1,709	+/-427	2.2%	+/-0.5
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	2,604	+/-424	3.3%	+/-0.5
Speak English less than "very well"	1,210	+/-271	1.5%	+/-0.3
Other languages	808	+/-329	1.0%	+/-0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	181	+/-137	0.2%	+/-0.2
ANCESTRY				
Total population	82,750	+/-55	82,750	(X)
American	3,057	+/-473	3.7%	+/-0.6
Arab	560	+/-222	0.7%	+/-0.3
Czech	257	+/-110	0.3%	+/-0.1
Danish	160	+/-107	0.2%	+/-0.1
Dutch	2,700	+/-493	3.3%	+/-0.6
English	6,843	+/-624	8.3%	+/-0.8
French (except Basque)	4,412	+/-579	5.3%	+/-0.7
French Canadian	1,743	+/-345	2.1%	+/-0.4
German	13,187	+/-872	15.9%	+/-1.1
Greek	866	+/-328	1.0%	+/-0.4
Hungarian	350	+/-227	0.4%	+/-0.3
Irish	21,979	+/-1,200	26.6%	+/-1.4
Italian	16,321	+/-1,146	19.7%	+/-1.4
Lithuanian	468	+/-175	0.6%	+/-0.2
Norwegian	273	+/-116	0.3%	+/-0.1
Polish	5,564	+/-702	6.7%	+/-0.8
Portuguese	30	+/-32	0.0%	+/-0.1
Russian	1,380	+/-293	1.7%	+/-0.4
Scotch-Irish	495	+/-147	0.6%	+/-0.2
Scottish	1,070	+/-230	1.3%	+/-0.3
Slovak	306	+/-134	0.4%	+/-0.2
Subsaharan African	731	+/-307	0.9%	+/-0.4
Swedish	526	+/-167	0.6%	+/-0.2
Swiss	194	+/-98	0.2%	+/-0.1
Ukrainian	716	+/-224	0.9%	+/-0.3
Welsh	659	+/-258	0.8%	+/-0.3
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	989	+/-452	1.2%	+/-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.