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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

2012-2016 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.

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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	4,616	+/-308	4,616	(X)
Occupied housing units	4,088	+/-241	88.6%	+/-3.7
Vacant housing units	528	+/-188	11.4%	+/-3.7
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.0	+/-1.6	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	2.9	+/-3.0	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	4,616	+/-308	4,616	(X)
1-unit, detached	1,567	+/-197	33.9%	+/-4.0
1-unit, attached	241	+/-91	5.2%	+/-1.9
2 units	954	+/-208	20.7%	+/-4.2
3 or 4 units	558	+/-158	12.1%	+/-3.2
5 to 9 units	473	+/-163	10.2%	+/-3.4
10 to 19 units	404	+/-153	8.8%	+/-3.3
20 or more units	419	+/-119	9.1%	+/-2.5
Mobile home	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.6
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.6
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	4,616	+/-308	4,616	(X)
Built 2014 or later	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.6
Built 2010 to 2013	38	+/-31	0.8%	+/-0.7
Built 2000 to 2009	813	+/-173	17.6%	+/-3.5
Built 1990 to 1999	405	+/-128	8.8%	+/-2.8
Built 1980 to 1989	282	+/-113	6.1%	+/-2.4
Built 1970 to 1979	251	+/-94	5.4%	+/-2.0
Built 1960 to 1969	279	+/-119	6.0%	+/-2.7

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
Built 1950 to 1959	231	+/-113	5.0%	+/-2.4
Built 1940 to 1949	148	+/-71	3.2%	+/-1.5
Built 1939 or earlier	2,169	+/-285	47.0%	+/-4.8
ROOMS				
Total housing units	4,616	+/-308	4,616	(X)
1 room	52	+/-60	1.1%	+/-1.3
2 rooms	284	+/-105	6.2%	+/-2.3
3 rooms	1,163	+/-297	25.2%	+/-6.1
4 rooms	711	+/-204	15.4%	+/-4.0
5 rooms	832	+/-219	18.0%	+/-4.6
6 rooms	598	+/-143	13.0%	+/-2.9
7 rooms	474	+/-141	10.3%	+/-3.1
8 rooms	168	+/-80	3.6%	+/-1.7
9 rooms or more	334	+/-119	7.2%	+/-2.5
Median rooms	4.6	+/-0.3	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	4,616	+/-308	4,616	(X)
No bedroom	52	+/-60	1.1%	+/-1.3
1 bedroom	1,218	+/-223	26.4%	+/-4.4
2 bedrooms	1,643	+/-276	35.6%	+/-5.3
3 bedrooms	1,196	+/-226	25.9%	+/-4.5
4 bedrooms	409	+/-128	8.9%	+/-2.9
5 or more bedrooms	98	+/-60	2.1%	+/-1.3
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	4,088	+/-241	4,088	(X)
Owner-occupied	1,654	+/-209	40.5%	+/-4.5
Renter-occupied	2,434	+/-232	59.5%	+/-4.5
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.33	+/-0.20	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.28	+/-0.20	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	4,088	+/-241	4,088	(X)
Moved in 2015 or later	178	+/-95	4.4%	+/-2.3
Moved in 2010 to 2014	1,815	+/-262	44.4%	+/-5.9
Moved in 2000 to 2009	1,126	+/-247	27.5%	+/-5.6
Moved in 1990 to 1999	326	+/-99	8.0%	+/-2.5
Moved in 1980 to 1989	300	+/-122	7.3%	+/-2.9
Moved in 1979 and earlier	343	+/-106	8.4%	+/-2.6
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	4,088	+/-241	4,088	(X)
No vehicles available	567	+/-141	13.9%	+/-3.4
1 vehicle available	1,845	+/-309	45.1%	+/-6.3
2 vehicles available	1,304	+/-237	31.9%	+/-5.4
3 or more vehicles available	372	+/-129	9.1%	+/-3.4
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	4,088	+/-241	4,088	(X)
Utility gas	2,942	+/-264	72.0%	+/-4.8
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	43	+/-40	1.1%	+/-1.0
Electricity	960	+/-212	23.5%	+/-4.9
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	67	+/-50	1.6%	+/-1.2
Coal or coke	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.7
Wood	52	+/-54	1.3%	+/-1.3
Solar energy	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-0.7

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
Other fuel	11	+/-18	0.3%	+/-0.4
No fuel used	13	+/-16	0.3%	+/-0.4
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	4,088	+/-241	4,088	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	20	+/-33	0.5%	+/-0.8
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	20	+/-33	0.5%	+/-0.8
No telephone service available	54	+/-53	1.3%	+/-1.3
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	4,088	+/-241	4,088	(X)
1.00 or less	3,920	+/-275	95.9%	+/-2.4
1.01 to 1.50	102	+/-84	2.5%	+/-2.1
1.51 or more	66	+/-44	1.6%	+/-1.1
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	1,654	+/-209	1,654	(X)
Less than \$50,000	160	+/-74	9.7%	+/-4.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	371	+/-124	22.4%	+/-6.5
\$100,000 to \$149,999	443	+/-130	26.8%	+/-6.7
\$150,000 to \$199,999	418	+/-110	25.3%	+/-6.4
\$200,000 to \$299,999	241	+/-82	14.6%	+/-4.7
\$300,000 to \$499,999	21	+/-25	1.3%	+/-1.5
\$500,000 to \$999,999	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-1.8
\$1,000,000 or more	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-1.8
Median (dollars)	129,800	+/-13,555	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	1,654	+/-209	1,654	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	1,154	+/-195	69.8%	+/-7.2
Housing units without a mortgage	500	+/-132	30.2%	+/-7.2
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	1,154	+/-195	1,154	(X)
Less than \$500	17	+/-27	1.5%	+/-2.3
\$500 to \$999	297	+/-114	25.7%	+/-8.9
\$1,000 to \$1,499	490	+/-159	42.5%	+/-10.7
\$1,500 to \$1,999	265	+/-99	23.0%	+/-8.3
\$2,000 to \$2,499	85	+/-52	7.4%	+/-4.5
\$2,500 to \$2,999	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-2.6
\$3,000 or more	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-2.6
Median (dollars)	1,313	+/-69	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	500	+/-132	500	(X)
Less than \$250	71	+/-65	14.2%	+/-10.9
\$250 to \$399	54	+/-40	10.8%	+/-8.2
\$400 to \$599	202	+/-75	40.4%	+/-13.0
\$600 to \$799	148	+/-70	29.6%	+/-12.6
\$800 to \$999	0	+/-16	0.0%	+/-5.8
\$1,000 or more	25	+/-21	5.0%	+/-4.1
Median (dollars)	520	+/-66	(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)	1,133	+/-196	1,133	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	458	+/-130	40.4%	+/-9.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	272	+/-111	24.0%	+/-8.8
25.0 to 29.9 percent	164	+/-81	14.5%	+/-6.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	7	+/-13	0.6%	+/-1.1

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
35.0 percent or more	232	+/-114	20.5%	+/-8.9
Not computed	21	+/-32	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP cannot be computed)	500	+/-132	500	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	146	+/-79	29.2%	+/-14.0
10.0 to 14.9 percent	116	+/-64	23.2%	+/-13.3
15.0 to 19.9 percent	110	+/-87	22.0%	+/-14.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	45	+/-35	9.0%	+/-6.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	24	+/-21	4.8%	+/-4.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	36	+/-42	7.2%	+/-7.9
35.0 percent or more	23	+/-24	4.6%	+/-4.9
Not computed	0	+/-16	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	2,355	+/-229	2,355	(X)
Less than \$500	178	+/-67	7.6%	+/-2.9
\$500 to \$999	1,187	+/-214	50.4%	+/-7.3
\$1,000 to \$1,499	629	+/-166	26.7%	+/-6.9
\$1,500 to \$1,999	361	+/-146	15.3%	+/-5.8
\$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)	901	+/-72	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	79	+/-64	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	2,347	+/-230	2,347	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	376	+/-181	16.0%	+/-7.4
15.0 to 19.9 percent	304	+/-141	13.0%	+/-5.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	147	+/-83	6.3%	+/-3.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	288	+/-103	12.3%	+/-4.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	242	+/-131	10.3%	+/-5.5
35.0 percent or more	990	+/-184	42.2%	+/-6.9
Not computed	87	+/-68	(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 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 2012-2016 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.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2012-2016 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.