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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

2012-2016 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.

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	Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY Metro Area			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	397,658	+/-533	397,658	(X)
Occupied housing units	345,957	+/-1,652	87.0%	+/-0.4
Vacant housing units	51,701	+/-1,614	13.0%	+/-0.4
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.5	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	5.2	+/-0.5	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	397,658	+/-533	397,658	(X)
1-unit, detached	227,784	+/-1,733	57.3%	+/-0.4
1-unit, attached	14,260	+/-640	3.6%	+/-0.2
2 units	51,613	+/-1,232	13.0%	+/-0.3
3 or 4 units	31,167	+/-1,139	7.8%	+/-0.3
5 to 9 units	21,268	+/-1,035	5.3%	+/-0.3
10 to 19 units	14,668	+/-898	3.7%	+/-0.2
20 or more units	22,390	+/-836	5.6%	+/-0.2
Mobile home	14,417	+/-759	3.6%	+/-0.2
Boat, RV, van, etc.	91	+/-66	0.0%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	397,658	+/-533	397,658	(X)
Built 2014 or later	951	+/-192	0.2%	+/-0.1
Built 2010 to 2013	6,883	+/-538	1.7%	+/-0.1
Built 2000 to 2009	34,879	+/-1,041	8.8%	+/-0.3
Built 1990 to 1999	39,339	+/-1,155	9.9%	+/-0.3
Built 1980 to 1989	44,011	+/-1,324	11.1%	+/-0.3
Built 1970 to 1979	48,368	+/-1,211	12.2%	+/-0.3
Built 1960 to 1969	36,949	+/-1,078	9.3%	+/-0.3

Subject	Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY Metro Area			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
Built 1950 to 1959	42,686	+/-1,157	10.7%	+/-0.3
Built 1940 to 1949	24,334	+/-892	6.1%	+/-0.2
Built 1939 or earlier	119,258	+/-1,662	30.0%	+/-0.4
ROOMS				
Total housing units	397,658	+/-533	397,658	(X)
1 room	5,167	+/-523	1.3%	+/-0.1
2 rooms	8,468	+/-693	2.1%	+/-0.2
3 rooms	36,781	+/-1,137	9.2%	+/-0.3
4 rooms	61,347	+/-1,478	15.4%	+/-0.4
5 rooms	69,092	+/-1,572	17.4%	+/-0.4
6 rooms	75,993	+/-1,566	19.1%	+/-0.4
7 rooms	53,215	+/-1,195	13.4%	+/-0.3
8 rooms	39,424	+/-1,035	9.9%	+/-0.3
9 rooms or more	48,171	+/-1,164	12.1%	+/-0.3
Median rooms	5.7	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	397,658	+/-533	397,658	(X)
No bedroom	6,026	+/-532	1.5%	+/-0.1
1 bedroom	48,653	+/-1,272	12.2%	+/-0.3
2 bedrooms	105,120	+/-1,625	26.4%	+/-0.4
3 bedrooms	151,619	+/-1,879	38.1%	+/-0.5
4 bedrooms	70,822	+/-1,387	17.8%	+/-0.3
5 or more bedrooms	15,418	+/-691	3.9%	+/-0.2
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	345,957	+/-1,652	345,957	(X)
Owner-occupied	223,411	+/-1,648	64.6%	+/-0.5
Renter-occupied	122,546	+/-1,963	35.4%	+/-0.5
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.63	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.11	+/-0.03	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	345,957	+/-1,652	345,957	(X)
Moved in 2015 or later	16,253	+/-860	4.7%	+/-0.2
Moved in 2010 to 2014	102,594	+/-1,753	29.7%	+/-0.5
Moved in 2000 to 2009	105,964	+/-1,869	30.6%	+/-0.5
Moved in 1990 to 1999	51,752	+/-1,289	15.0%	+/-0.4
Moved in 1980 to 1989	31,732	+/-983	9.2%	+/-0.3
Moved in 1979 and earlier	37,662	+/-931	10.9%	+/-0.3
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	345,957	+/-1,652	345,957	(X)
No vehicles available	33,389	+/-1,071	9.7%	+/-0.3
1 vehicle available	123,926	+/-1,671	35.8%	+/-0.5
2 vehicles available	131,643	+/-1,805	38.1%	+/-0.5
3 or more vehicles available	56,999	+/-1,377	16.5%	+/-0.4
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	345,957	+/-1,652	345,957	(X)
Utility gas	208,154	+/-1,570	60.2%	+/-0.4
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	19,586	+/-828	5.7%	+/-0.2
Electricity	50,031	+/-1,404	14.5%	+/-0.4
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	50,865	+/-1,110	14.7%	+/-0.3
Coal or coke	458	+/-141	0.1%	+/-0.1
Wood	12,459	+/-719	3.6%	+/-0.2
Solar energy	315	+/-128	0.1%	+/-0.1

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Other fuel	2,973	+/-399	0.9%	+/-0.1
No fuel used	1,116	+/-168	0.3%	+/-0.1
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	345,957	+/-1,652	345,957	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	773	+/-186	0.2%	+/-0.1
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	1,870	+/-326	0.5%	+/-0.1
No telephone service available	6,248	+/-496	1.8%	+/-0.1
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	345,957	+/-1,652	345,957	(X)
1.00 or less	342,644	+/-1,660	99.0%	+/-0.1
1.01 to 1.50	2,484	+/-322	0.7%	+/-0.1
1.51 or more	829	+/-193	0.2%	+/-0.1
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	223,411	+/-1,648	223,411	(X)
Less than \$50,000	11,718	+/-581	5.2%	+/-0.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	18,126	+/-671	8.1%	+/-0.3
\$100,000 to \$149,999	32,043	+/-910	14.3%	+/-0.4
\$150,000 to \$199,999	49,760	+/-1,425	22.3%	+/-0.6
\$200,000 to \$299,999	64,949	+/-1,332	29.1%	+/-0.6
\$300,000 to \$499,999	38,105	+/-871	17.1%	+/-0.4
\$500,000 to \$999,999	7,485	+/-470	3.4%	+/-0.2
\$1,000,000 or more	1,225	+/-261	0.5%	+/-0.1
Median (dollars)	200,100	+/-1,637	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	223,411	+/-1,648	223,411	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	146,107	+/-1,619	65.4%	+/-0.6
Housing units without a mortgage	77,304	+/-1,383	34.6%	+/-0.6
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	146,107	+/-1,619	146,107	(X)
Less than \$500	1,298	+/-233	0.9%	+/-0.2
\$500 to \$999	17,570	+/-695	12.0%	+/-0.5
\$1,000 to \$1,499	42,356	+/-1,186	29.0%	+/-0.7
\$1,500 to \$1,999	42,055	+/-1,175	28.8%	+/-0.7
\$2,000 to \$2,499	22,152	+/-933	15.2%	+/-0.6
\$2,500 to \$2,999	11,031	+/-518	7.5%	+/-0.3
\$3,000 or more	9,645	+/-531	6.6%	+/-0.4
Median (dollars)	1,624	+/-12	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	77,304	+/-1,383	77,304	(X)
Less than \$250	3,958	+/-373	5.1%	+/-0.5
\$250 to \$399	11,398	+/-607	14.7%	+/-0.8
\$400 to \$599	22,728	+/-698	29.4%	+/-0.8
\$600 to \$799	19,348	+/-809	25.0%	+/-0.9
\$800 to \$999	10,216	+/-666	13.2%	+/-0.7
\$1,000 or more	9,656	+/-494	12.5%	+/-0.6
Median (dollars)	606	+/-6	(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)	145,565	+/-1,627	145,565	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	65,221	+/-1,371	44.8%	+/-0.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	25,384	+/-950	17.4%	+/-0.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	16,488	+/-745	11.3%	+/-0.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	10,252	+/-622	7.0%	+/-0.4

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35.0 percent or more	28,220	+/-1,079	19.4%	+/-0.7
Not computed	542	+/-150	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	76,611	+/-1,357	76,611	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	29,828	+/-1,053	38.9%	+/-1.1
10.0 to 14.9 percent	15,962	+/-661	20.8%	+/-0.9
15.0 to 19.9 percent	9,975	+/-592	13.0%	+/-0.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	5,958	+/-527	7.8%	+/-0.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	3,889	+/-376	5.1%	+/-0.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	2,620	+/-334	3.4%	+/-0.4
35.0 percent or more	8,379	+/-608	10.9%	+/-0.7
Not computed	693	+/-172	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	117,968	+/-1,943	117,968	(X)
Less than \$500	11,279	+/-569	9.6%	+/-0.5
\$500 to \$999	58,887	+/-1,659	49.9%	+/-1.1
\$1,000 to \$1,499	36,178	+/-1,247	30.7%	+/-0.9
\$1,500 to \$1,999	8,151	+/-658	6.9%	+/-0.6
\$2,000 to \$2,499	2,083	+/-309	1.8%	+/-0.3
\$2,500 to \$2,999	742	+/-185	0.6%	+/-0.2
\$3,000 or more	648	+/-203	0.5%	+/-0.2
Median (dollars)	923	+/-7	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	4,578	+/-386	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	116,196	+/-1,945	116,196	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	16,631	+/-872	14.3%	+/-0.7
15.0 to 19.9 percent	15,583	+/-817	13.4%	+/-0.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	14,972	+/-787	12.9%	+/-0.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	13,959	+/-934	12.0%	+/-0.8
30.0 to 34.9 percent	10,465	+/-640	9.0%	+/-0.5
35.0 percent or more	44,586	+/-1,433	38.4%	+/-1.1
Not computed	6,350	+/-496	(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.