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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	Schenectady County, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	68,236	+/-158	68,236	(X)
Occupied housing units	55,027	+/-676	80.6%	+/-1.0
Vacant housing units	13,209	+/-670	19.4%	+/-1.0
Homeowner vacancy rate	2.3	+/-0.6	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	8.1	+/-1.4	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	68,236	+/-158	68,236	(X)
1-unit, detached	40,618	+/-691	59.5%	+/-1.0
1-unit, attached	1,276	+/-206	1.9%	+/-0.3
2 units	12,142	+/-611	17.8%	+/-0.9
3 or 4 units	4,135	+/-390	6.1%	+/-0.6
5 to 9 units	3,335	+/-412	4.9%	+/-0.6
10 to 19 units	2,686	+/-319	3.9%	+/-0.5
20 or more units	3,677	+/-321	5.4%	+/-0.5
Mobile home	361	+/-167	0.5%	+/-0.2
Boat, RV, van, etc.	6	+/-9	0.0%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	68,236	+/-158	68,236	(X)
Built 2014 or later	129	+/-60	0.2%	+/-0.1
Built 2010 to 2013	465	+/-129	0.7%	+/-0.2
Built 2000 to 2009	4,005	+/-306	5.9%	+/-0.4
Built 1990 to 1999	3,911	+/-347	5.7%	+/-0.5
Built 1980 to 1989	4,675	+/-439	6.9%	+/-0.6
Built 1970 to 1979	6,133	+/-437	9.0%	+/-0.6
Built 1960 to 1969	5,483	+/-448	8.0%	+/-0.7

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Built 1950 to 1959	10,136	+/-553	14.9%	+/-0.8
Built 1940 to 1949	7,069	+/-518	10.4%	+/-0.8
Built 1939 or earlier	26,230	+/-637	38.4%	+/-0.9
ROOMS				
Total housing units	68,236	+/-158	68,236	(X)
1 room	1,052	+/-241	1.5%	+/-0.4
2 rooms	1,113	+/-209	1.6%	+/-0.3
3 rooms	6,114	+/-543	9.0%	+/-0.8
4 rooms	10,828	+/-621	15.9%	+/-0.9
5 rooms	11,959	+/-657	17.5%	+/-1.0
6 rooms	14,261	+/-636	20.9%	+/-0.9
7 rooms	9,375	+/-607	13.7%	+/-0.9
8 rooms	6,926	+/-456	10.2%	+/-0.7
9 rooms or more	6,608	+/-436	9.7%	+/-0.6
Median rooms	5.7	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	68,236	+/-158	68,236	(X)
No bedroom	1,193	+/-242	1.7%	+/-0.4
1 bedroom	8,230	+/-496	12.1%	+/-0.7
2 bedrooms	16,943	+/-716	24.8%	+/-1.0
3 bedrooms	27,586	+/-742	40.4%	+/-1.1
4 bedrooms	11,942	+/-564	17.5%	+/-0.8
5 or more bedrooms	2,342	+/-280	3.4%	+/-0.4
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	55,027	+/-676	55,027	(X)
Owner-occupied	36,997	+/-703	67.2%	+/-1.1
Renter-occupied	18,030	+/-669	32.8%	+/-1.1
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.92	+/-0.05	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.35	+/-0.09	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	55,027	+/-676	55,027	(X)
Moved in 2015 or later	2,217	+/-321	4.0%	+/-0.6
Moved in 2010 to 2014	14,525	+/-607	26.4%	+/-1.0
Moved in 2000 to 2009	18,295	+/-723	33.2%	+/-1.2
Moved in 1990 to 1999	7,812	+/-438	14.2%	+/-0.8
Moved in 1980 to 1989	5,369	+/-347	9.8%	+/-0.7
Moved in 1979 and earlier	6,809	+/-406	12.4%	+/-0.7
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	55,027	+/-676	55,027	(X)
No vehicles available	6,363	+/-476	11.6%	+/-0.8
1 vehicle available	20,173	+/-651	36.7%	+/-1.2
2 vehicles available	20,042	+/-727	36.4%	+/-1.2
3 or more vehicles available	8,449	+/-443	15.4%	+/-0.8
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	55,027	+/-676	55,027	(X)
Utility gas	40,379	+/-620	73.4%	+/-0.9
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	1,433	+/-215	2.6%	+/-0.4
Electricity	7,360	+/-529	13.4%	+/-0.9
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	4,612	+/-346	8.4%	+/-0.6
Coal or coke	30	+/-25	0.1%	+/-0.1
Wood	772	+/-140	1.4%	+/-0.3
Solar energy	84	+/-74	0.2%	+/-0.1

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
Other fuel	243	+/-76	0.4%	+/-0.1
No fuel used	114	+/-51	0.2%	+/-0.1
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	55,027	+/-676	55,027	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	112	+/-71	0.2%	+/-0.1
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	362	+/-150	0.7%	+/-0.3
No telephone service available	1,175	+/-199	2.1%	+/-0.4
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	55,027	+/-676	55,027	(X)
1.00 or less	54,432	+/-676	98.9%	+/-0.3
1.01 to 1.50	445	+/-136	0.8%	+/-0.2
1.51 or more	150	+/-84	0.3%	+/-0.2
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	36,997	+/-703	36,997	(X)
Less than \$50,000	1,276	+/-202	3.4%	+/-0.5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4,888	+/-423	13.2%	+/-1.1
\$100,000 to \$149,999	8,847	+/-499	23.9%	+/-1.3
\$150,000 to \$199,999	9,547	+/-552	25.8%	+/-1.4
\$200,000 to \$299,999	8,169	+/-426	22.1%	+/-1.1
\$300,000 to \$499,999	3,572	+/-263	9.7%	+/-0.7
\$500,000 to \$999,999	575	+/-146	1.6%	+/-0.4
\$1,000,000 or more	123	+/-58	0.3%	+/-0.2
Median (dollars)	165,000	+/-1,751	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	36,997	+/-703	36,997	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	24,511	+/-734	66.3%	+/-1.2
Housing units without a mortgage	12,486	+/-450	33.7%	+/-1.2
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	24,511	+/-734	24,511	(X)
Less than \$500	280	+/-116	1.1%	+/-0.5
\$500 to \$999	3,096	+/-317	12.6%	+/-1.3
\$1,000 to \$1,499	8,301	+/-467	33.9%	+/-1.6
\$1,500 to \$1,999	7,448	+/-552	30.4%	+/-1.9
\$2,000 to \$2,499	3,250	+/-340	13.3%	+/-1.4
\$2,500 to \$2,999	1,219	+/-201	5.0%	+/-0.8
\$3,000 or more	917	+/-164	3.7%	+/-0.7
Median (dollars)	1,536	+/-24	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	12,486	+/-450	12,486	(X)
Less than \$250	394	+/-95	3.2%	+/-0.8
\$250 to \$399	1,747	+/-254	14.0%	+/-2.0
\$400 to \$599	3,616	+/-260	29.0%	+/-1.9
\$600 to \$799	3,419	+/-302	27.4%	+/-2.2
\$800 to \$999	1,959	+/-232	15.7%	+/-1.7
\$1,000 or more	1,351	+/-162	10.8%	+/-1.3
Median (dollars)	626	+/-14	(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)	24,423	+/-737	24,423	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	10,255	+/-533	42.0%	+/-1.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	4,609	+/-380	18.9%	+/-1.4
25.0 to 29.9 percent	2,773	+/-275	11.4%	+/-1.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,795	+/-261	7.3%	+/-1.1

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
35.0 percent or more	4,991	+/-442	20.4%	+/-1.7
Not computed	88	+/-58	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	12,327	+/-441	12,327	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	4,470	+/-332	36.3%	+/-2.6
10.0 to 14.9 percent	2,611	+/-277	21.2%	+/-2.0
15.0 to 19.9 percent	1,703	+/-245	13.8%	+/-1.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,094	+/-174	8.9%	+/-1.4
25.0 to 29.9 percent	730	+/-156	5.9%	+/-1.2
30.0 to 34.9 percent	351	+/-110	2.8%	+/-0.9
35.0 percent or more	1,368	+/-186	11.1%	+/-1.5
Not computed	159	+/-96	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	17,181	+/-685	17,181	(X)
Less than \$500	1,895	+/-250	11.0%	+/-1.4
\$500 to \$999	10,251	+/-631	59.7%	+/-2.7
\$1,000 to \$1,499	3,860	+/-392	22.5%	+/-2.1
\$1,500 to \$1,999	755	+/-160	4.4%	+/-0.9
\$2,000 to \$2,499	277	+/-112	1.6%	+/-0.7
\$2,500 to \$2,999	96	+/-58	0.6%	+/-0.3
\$3,000 or more	47	+/-33	0.3%	+/-0.2
Median (dollars)	857	+/-14	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	849	+/-183	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	16,895	+/-678	16,895	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	2,098	+/-277	12.4%	+/-1.5
15.0 to 19.9 percent	1,782	+/-306	10.5%	+/-1.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,964	+/-315	11.6%	+/-1.8
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,956	+/-275	11.6%	+/-1.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,536	+/-275	9.1%	+/-1.5
35.0 percent or more	7,559	+/-555	44.7%	+/-2.8
Not computed	1,135	+/-214	(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.