

DP02: SELECTED SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Universe: None

2021 American Community Survey, 1-Year Estimates Data Profiles

	Estimate	Alaska Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	271,311	±3,313	271,311	(X)
Married-couple household	129,937	±4,657	47.9%	±1.6
With children of the householder under 18 years	54,040	±3,998	19.9%	±1.5
Cohabiting couple household	23,138	±2,256	8.5%	±0.8
With children of the householder under 18 years	6,858	±1,234	2.5%	±0.5
Male householder, no spouse/partner present	55,561	±3,070	20.5%	±1.1
With children of the householder under 18 years	4,229	±926	1.6%	±0.3
Householder living alone	40,000	±2,878	14.7%	±1.0
65 years and over	11,092	±1,432	4.1%	±0.5
Female householder, no spouse/partner present	62,675	±3,487	23.1%	±1.2
With children of the householder under 18 years	11,610	±1,881	4.3%	±0.7
Householder living alone	37,681	±3,084	13.9%	±1.1
65 years and over	12,626	±1,365	4.7%	±0.5
Households with one or more people under 18 years	86,062	±3,998	31.7%	±1.5
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	70,124	±2,087	25.8%	±0.8
Average household size	2.61	±0.03	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.25	±0.06	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	706,833	*****	706,833	(X)
Householder	271,311	±3,313	38.4%	±0.5
Spouse	129,646	±4,674	18.3%	±0.7
Unmarried partner	23,421	±2,252	3.3%	±0.3
Child	210,951	±5,828	29.8%	±0.8
Other relatives	47,718	±4,631	6.8%	±0.7
Other nonrelatives	23,786	±3,122	3.4%	±0.4
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	305,268	±2,069	305,268	(X)
Never married	115,322	±3,941	37.8%	±1.2
Now married, except separated	145,903	±5,314	47.8%	±1.7
Separated	4,936	±1,099	1.6%	±0.4
Widowed	6,456	±1,111	2.1%	±0.4
Divorced	32,651	±3,487	10.7%	±1.1
Females 15 years and over	276,629	±1,709	276,629	(X)
Never married	80,287	±3,971	29.0%	±1.4
Now married, except separated	139,244	±4,916	50.3%	±1.8
Separated	5,635	±1,275	2.0%	±0.5
Widowed	18,136	±1,917	6.6%	±0.7
Divorced	33,327	±2,913	12.0%	±1.0
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	8,677	±1,586	8,677	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	2,261	±780	26.1%	±7.5
Per 1,000 unmarried women	26	±9	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	52	±9	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	6	±6	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	95	±19	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	22	±9	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	17,298	±2,462	17,298	(X)
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren	5,986	±1,370	34.6%	±6.4
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	930	±447	5.4%	±2.5

1 or 2 years	644	±381	3.7%	±2.3
3 or 4 years	1,186	±612	6.9%	±3.6
5 or more years	3,226	±1,037	18.6%	±4.8
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	5,986	±1,370	5,986	(X)
Who are female	3,915	±1,047	65.4%	±6.4
Who are married	4,030	±1,147	67.3%	±11.3
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	174,378	±4,269	174,378	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	10,075	±1,701	5.8%	±0.9
Kindergarten	8,951	±1,492	5.1%	±0.9
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	79,814	±2,521	45.8%	±1.7
High school (grades 9-12)	37,641	±2,469	21.6%	±1.3
College or graduate school	37,897	±3,047	21.7%	±1.4
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	485,779	±2,439	485,779	(X)
Less than 9th grade	10,548	±1,929	2.2%	±0.4
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	21,942	±2,119	4.5%	±0.4
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	135,473	±6,164	27.9%	±1.3
Some college, no degree	118,250	±6,153	24.3%	±1.3
Associate's degree	40,276	±3,063	8.3%	±0.6
Bachelor's degree	101,422	±5,224	20.9%	±1.1
Graduate or professional degree	57,868	±3,800	11.9%	±0.8
High school graduate or higher	453,289	±3,305	93.3%	±0.6
Bachelor's degree or higher	159,290	±6,063	32.8%	±1.2
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	528,863	±2,236	528,863	(X)
Civilian veterans	58,431	±3,546	11.0%	±0.7
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	702,154	±2,286	702,154	(X)
With a disability	92,390	±4,793	13.2%	±0.7
Under 18 years	179,031	±700	179,031	(X)
With a disability	8,462	±1,979	4.7%	±1.1
18 to 64 years	426,035	±2,417	426,035	(X)
With a disability	52,022	±3,773	12.2%	±0.9
65 years and over	97,088	±1,411	97,088	(X)
With a disability	31,906	±2,495	32.9%	±2.6
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	723,949	±1,517	723,949	(X)
Same house	625,088	±8,315	86.3%	±1.1
Different house (in the U.S. or abroad)	98,861	±8,072	13.7%	±1.1
Different house in the U.S.	94,989	±7,733	13.1%	±1.1
Same county	50,681	±5,927	7.0%	±0.8
Different county	44,308	±4,366	6.1%	±0.6
Same state	12,930	±2,141	1.8%	±0.3
Different state	31,378	±3,888	4.3%	±0.5
Abroad	3,872	±1,532	0.5%	±0.2
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	732,673	*****	732,673	(X)
Native	673,612	±4,446	91.9%	±0.6
Born in United States	657,364	±5,077	89.7%	±0.7
State of residence	320,477	±7,001	43.7%	±1.0
Different state	336,887	±6,574	46.0%	±0.9
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	16,248	±2,577	2.2%	±0.4
Foreign born	59,061	±4,446	8.1%	±0.6
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	59,061	±4,446	59,061	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	37,288	±3,512	63.1%	±4.3
Not a U.S. citizen	21,773	±3,202	36.9%	±4.3
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	75,309	±5,077	75,309	(X)

Native	16,248	±2,577	16,248	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	7,594	±2,088	46.7%	±8.5
Entered before 2010	8,654	±1,611	53.3%	±8.5
Foreign born	59,061	±4,446	59,061	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	18,151	±3,191	30.7%	±4.4
Entered before 2010	40,910	±3,523	69.3%	±4.4
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	59,061	±4,446	59,061	(X)
Europe	7,521	±1,522	12.7%	±2.3
Asia	34,035	±2,635	57.6%	±4.6
Africa	2,780	±1,580	4.7%	±2.6
Oceania	2,765	±1,206	4.7%	±2.0
Latin America	10,099	±2,755	17.1%	±4.2
Northern America	1,861	±533	3.2%	±0.9
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	686,475	±1,366	686,475	(X)
English only	577,673	±6,122	84.2%	±0.9
Language other than English	108,802	±5,889	15.8%	±0.9
Speak English less than "very well"	29,397	±3,702	4.3%	±0.5
Spanish	23,802	±3,061	3.5%	±0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	6,081	±1,599	0.9%	±0.2
Other Indo-European languages	13,975	±2,660	2.0%	±0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	2,374	±902	0.3%	±0.1
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	42,590	±3,654	6.2%	±0.5
Speak English less than "very well"	17,079	±2,980	2.5%	±0.4
Other languages	28,435	±2,766	4.1%	±0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	3,863	±1,026	0.6%	±0.1
ANCESTRY				
Total population	732,673	*****	732,673	(X)
American	23,056	±3,298	3.1%	±0.5
Arab	2,073	±2,216	0.3%	±0.3
Czech	4,589	±1,706	0.6%	±0.2
Danish	4,776	±1,358	0.7%	±0.2
Dutch	10,656	±2,577	1.5%	±0.4
English	74,547	±5,606	10.2%	±0.8
French (except Basque)	15,296	±2,631	2.1%	±0.4
French Canadian	4,310	±1,626	0.6%	±0.2
German	104,401	±6,583	14.2%	±0.9
Greek	2,316	±972	0.3%	±0.1
Hungarian	2,683	±1,427	0.4%	±0.2
Irish	68,415	±5,445	9.3%	±0.7
Italian	18,539	±3,167	2.5%	±0.4
Lithuanian	1,074	±710	0.1%	±0.1
Norwegian	19,387	±2,410	2.6%	±0.3
Polish	14,428	±2,241	2.0%	±0.3
Portuguese	1,489	±777	0.2%	±0.1
Russian	6,697	±1,795	0.9%	±0.2
Scotch-Irish	6,725	±1,544	0.9%	±0.2
Scottish	15,924	±2,460	2.2%	±0.3
Slovak	301	±359	0.0%	±0.1
Subsaharan African	3,335	±1,731	0.5%	±0.2
Swedish	13,956	±2,225	1.9%	±0.3
Swiss	3,182	±1,783	0.4%	±0.2
Ukrainian	2,419	±994	0.3%	±0.1
Welsh	3,636	±1,136	0.5%	±0.2
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	2,854	±1,780	0.4%	±0.2
COMPUTERS AND INTERNET USE				
Total households	271,311	±3,313	271,311	(X)
With a computer	261,126	±3,512	96.2%	±0.5
With a broadband Internet subscription	246,110	±3,868	90.7%	±0.9

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.

Supporting documentation on code lists, subject definitions, data accuracy, and statistical testing can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Technical 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.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2021 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

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 ACS Technical Documentation). 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 or U.S. Island Areas or born outside the U.S. to a U.S. citizen parent and who subsequently moved to the U.S.

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.

Data about computer and Internet use were collected by asking respondents to select "Yes" or "No" to each type of computer and each type of Internet subscription. Therefore, respondents were able to select more than one type of computer and more than one type of Internet subscription.

The category "with a broadband Internet subscription" refers to those who said "Yes" to at least one of the following types of Internet subscriptions: Broadband such as cable, fiber optic, or DSL; a cellular data plan; satellite; a fixed wireless subscription; or other non-dial up subscription types.

An Internet "subscription" refers to a type of service that someone pays for to access the Internet such as a cellular data plan, broadband such as cable, fiber optic or DSL, or other type of service. This will normally refer to a service that someone is billed for directly for Internet alone or sometimes as part of a bundle.

With a computer includes those who said "Yes" to at least one of the following types of computers: Desktop or laptop; smartphone; tablet or other portable wireless computer; or some other type of computer.

Caution should be used when comparing data for computer and Internet use before and after 2016. Changes in 2016 to the questions involving the wording as well as the response options resulted in changed response patterns in the data. Most noticeable are increases in overall computer ownership or use, the total of Internet subscriptions, satellite subscriptions, and cellular data plans for a smartphone or other mobile device. For more detailed information about these changes, see the 2016 American Community Survey Content Test Report for Computer and Internet Use located at https://www.census.gov/library/working-papers/2017/acs/2017_Lewis_01.html or the user note regarding changes in the 2016 questions located at <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/technical-documentation/user-notes/2017-03.html>.

The 2021 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the March 2020 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) delineations 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 delineations due to differences in the effective dates of the geographic entities.

Estimates of urban and rural populations, 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:

- : The estimate could not be computed because there were an insufficient number of sample observations. For a ratio of medians estimate, one or both of the median estimates falls in the lowest interval or highest interval of an open-ended distribution. For a 5-year median estimate, the margin of error associated with a median was larger than the median itself.

N : The estimate or margin of error cannot be displayed because there were an insufficient number of sample cases in the selected geographic area.

(X) : The estimate or margin of error is not applicable or not available.

median- : The median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution (for example "2,500-")

median+ : The median falls in the highest interval of an open-ended distribution (for example "250,000+").

** : The margin of error could not be computed because there were an insufficient number of sample observations.

*** : The margin of error could not be computed because the median falls in the lowest interval or highest interval of an open-ended distribution.

***** : A margin of error is not appropriate because the corresponding estimate is controlled to an independent population or housing estimate. Effectively, the corresponding estimate has no sampling error and the margin of error may be treated as zero.