



Machias town, Cattaraugus County, New York

Population and Housing Narrative Profile: 2005-2009

Data Set: **2005-2009 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates**

Survey: **American Community Survey**

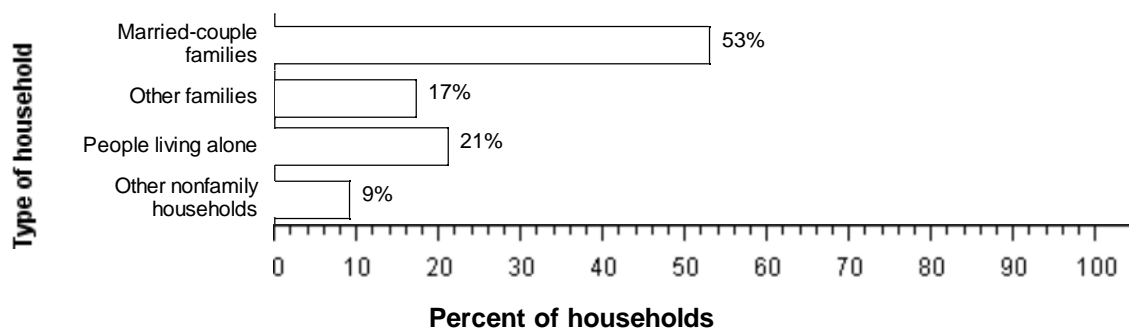
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For more information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see [Survey Methodology](#).

HOUSEHOLDS AND FAMILIES: In 2005-2009 there were 1,100 households in Machias town. The average household size was 2.5 people.

Families made up 70 percent of the households in Machias town. This figure includes both married-couple families (53 percent) and other families (17 percent). Nonfamily households made up 30 percent of all households in Machias town. Most of the nonfamily households were people living alone, but some were composed of people living in households in which no one was related to the householder.

The Types of Households in Machias town, Cattaraugus County, New York in 2005-2009



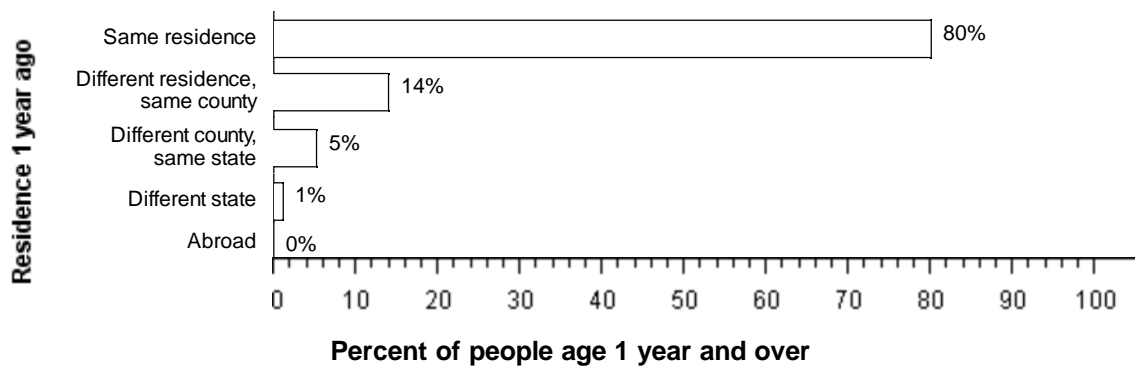
Source: American Community Survey, 2005-2009

NATIVITY AND LANGUAGE: One percent of the people living in Machias town in 2005-2009 were foreign born. Ninety-nine percent was native, including 87 percent who were born in New York.

Among people at least five years old living in Machias town in 2005-2009, 3 percent spoke a language other than English at home. Of those speaking a language other than English at home, 27 percent spoke Spanish and 73 percent spoke some other language; 29 percent reported that they did not speak English "very well."

GEOGRAPHIC MOBILITY: In 2005-2009, 80 percent of the people at least one year old living in Machias town were living in the same residence one year earlier; 14 percent had moved during the past year from another residence in the same county, 5 percent from another county in the same state, 1 percent from another state, and less than 0.5 percent from abroad.

Geographic Mobility of Residents of Machias town, Cattaraugus County, New York in 2005-2009

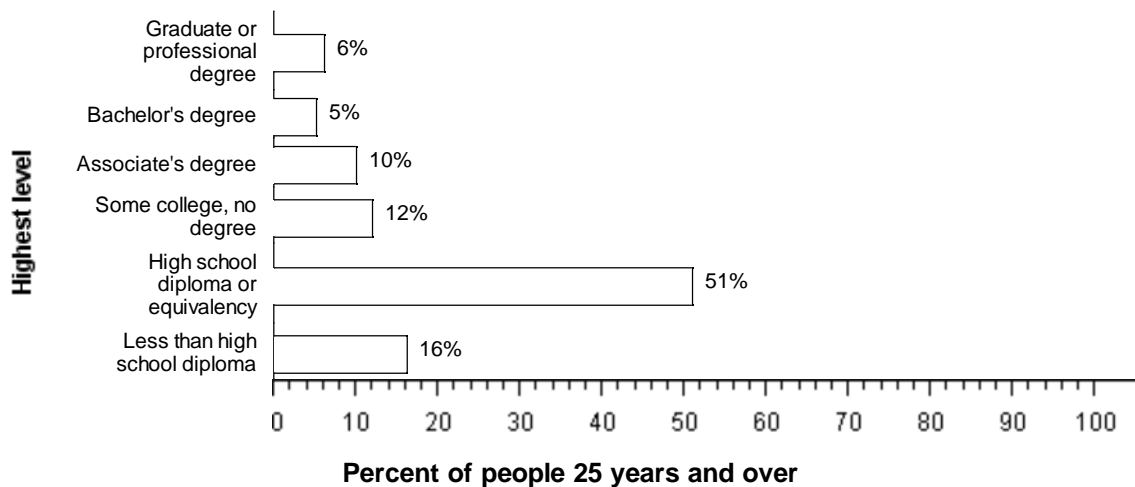


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EDUCATION: In 2005-2009, 85 percent of people 25 years and over had at least graduated from high school and 11 percent had a bachelor's degree or higher. Sixteen percent were dropouts; they were not enrolled in school and had not graduated from high school.

The total school enrollment in Machias town was 580 in 2005-2009. Nursery school and kindergarten enrollment was 63 and elementary or high school enrollment was 450 children. College or graduate school enrollment was 66.

The Educational Attainment of People in Machias town, Cattaraugus County, New York in 2005-2009

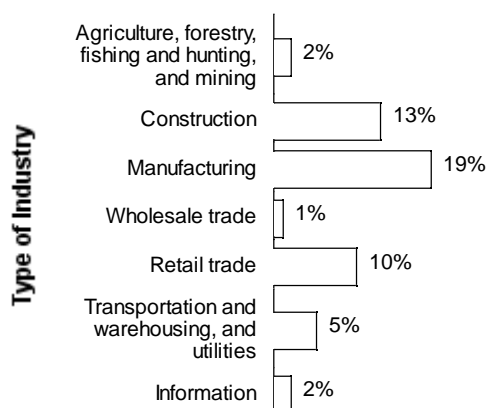


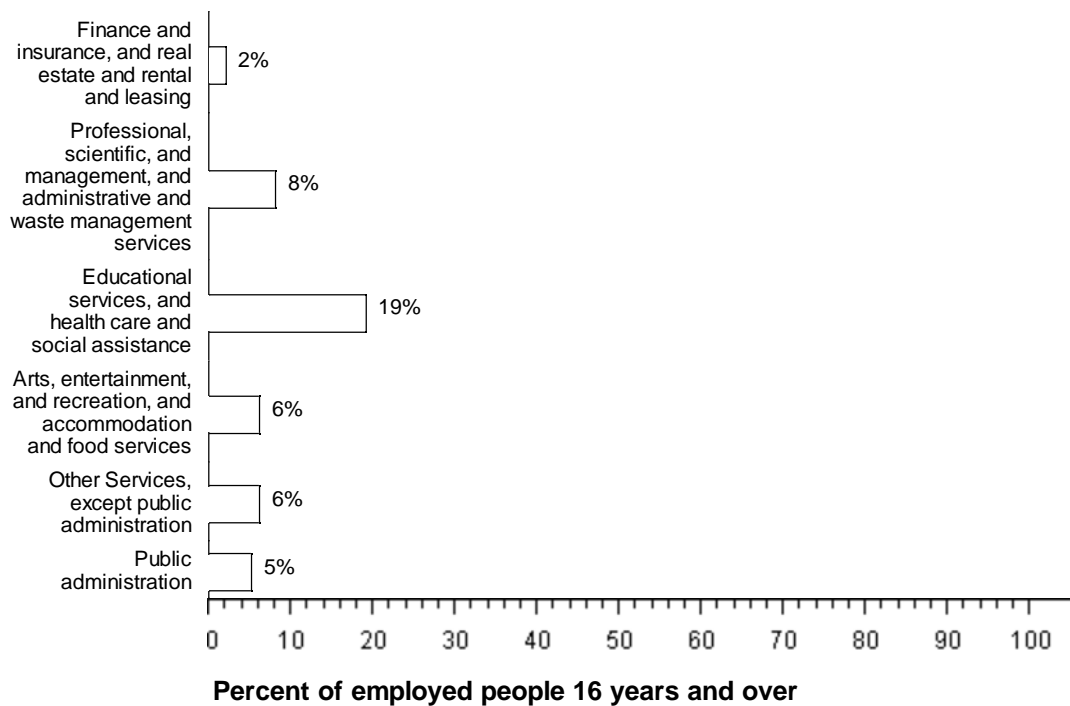
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DISABILITY: In Machias town, among people at least five years old in 2005-2009, percent reported a disability. The likelihood of having a disability varied by age - from percent of people 5 to 15 years old, to percent of people 16 to 64 years old, and to percent of those 65 and older.

INDUSTRIES: In 2005-2009, for the employed population 16 years and older, the leading industries in Machias town were Manufacturing, 19 percent, and Educational services, and health care, and social assistance, 19 percent.

Employment by Industry in Machias town, Cattaraugus County, New York in 2005-2009





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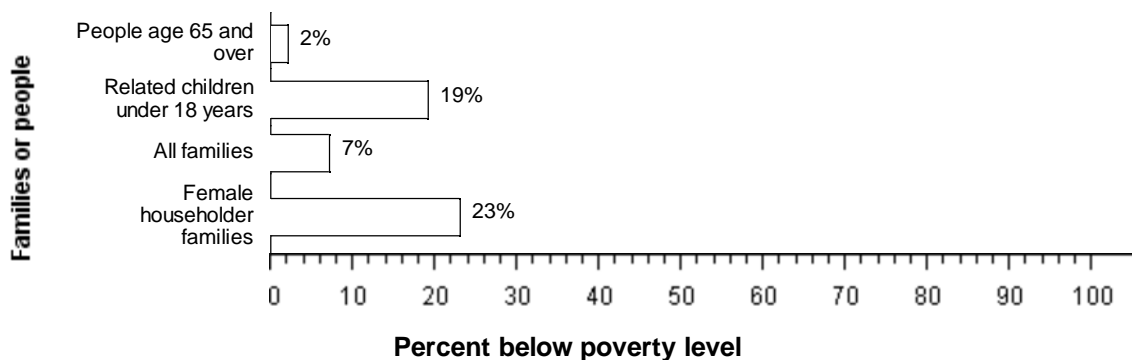
OCCUPATIONS AND TYPE OF EMPLOYER: Among the most common occupations were: Production, transportation, and material moving occupations, 27 percent; Management, professional, and related occupations, 27 percent; Sales and office occupations, 19 percent; Service occupations, 14 percent; and Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations, 13 percent. Seventy-three percent of the people employed were Private wage and salary workers; 16 percent was Federal, state, or local government workers; and 11 percent was Self-employed in own not incorporated business workers.

TRAVEL TO WORK: Seventy-four percent of Machias town workers drove to work alone in 2005-2009, 16 percent carpoolled, 1 percent took public transportation, and 6 percent used other means. The remaining 4 percent worked at home. Among those who commuted to work, it took them on average 28 minutes to get to work.

INCOME: The median income of households in Machias town was \$44,263. Seventy-nine percent of the households received earnings and 21 percent received retirement income other than Social Security. Thirty-four percent of the households received Social Security. The average income from Social Security was \$13,449. These income sources are not mutually exclusive; that is, some households received income from more than one source.

POVERTY AND PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS: In 2005-2009, 13 percent of people were in poverty. Nineteen percent of related children under 18 were below the poverty level, compared with 2 percent of people 65 years old and over. Seven percent of all families and 23 percent of families with a female householder and no husband present had incomes below the poverty level.

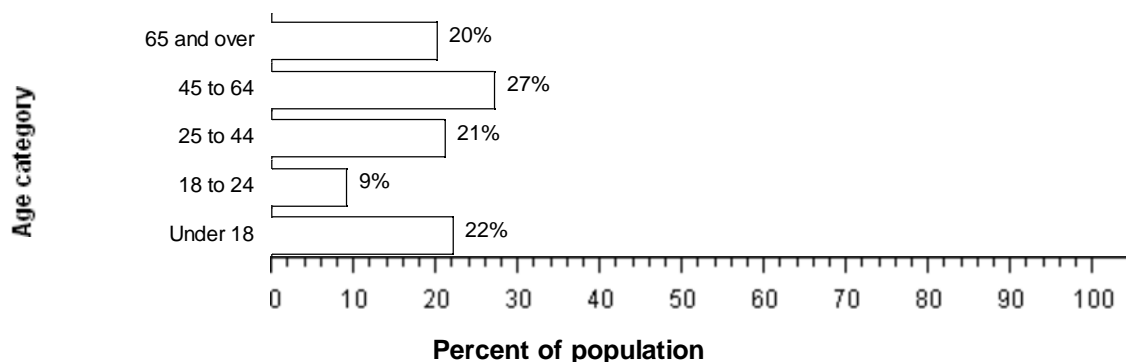
Poverty Rates in Machias town, Cattaraugus County, New York in 2005-2009



Source: American Community Survey, 2005-2009

POPULATION OF Machias town: In 2005-2009, Machias town had a total population of 2,800 - 1,500 (54 percent) females and 1,300 (46 percent) males. The median age was 41.3 years. Twenty-two percent of the population was under 18 years and 20 percent was 65 years and older.

The Age Distribution of People in Machias town, Cattaraugus County, New York in 2005-2009

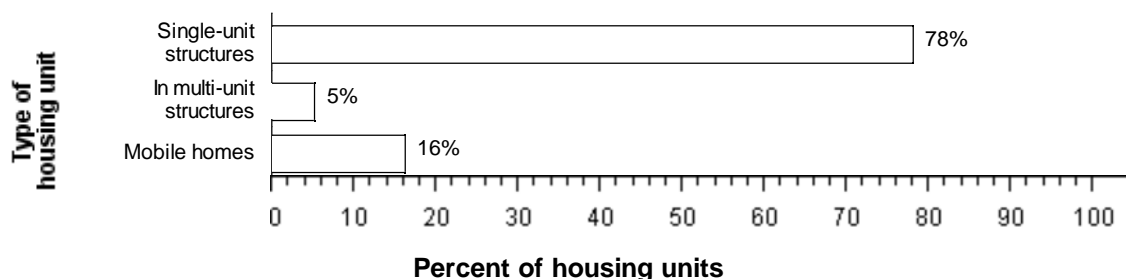


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For people reporting one race alone, 98 percent was White; less than 0.5 percent was Black or African American; less than 0.5 percent was American Indian and Alaska Native; less than 0.5 percent was Asian; less than 0.5 percent was Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, and less than 0.5 percent was Some other race. One percent reported Two or more races. Less than 0.5 percent of the people in Machias town was Hispanic. Ninety-eight percent of the people in Machias town was White non-Hispanic. People of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS: In 2005-2009, Machias town had a total of 1,400 housing units, 24 percent of which were vacant. Of the total housing units, 78 percent was in single-unit structures, 5 percent was in multi-unit structures, and 16 percent was mobile homes. Twenty-three percent of the housing units were built since 1990.

The Types of Housing Units in Machias town, Cattaraugus County, New York in 2005-2009

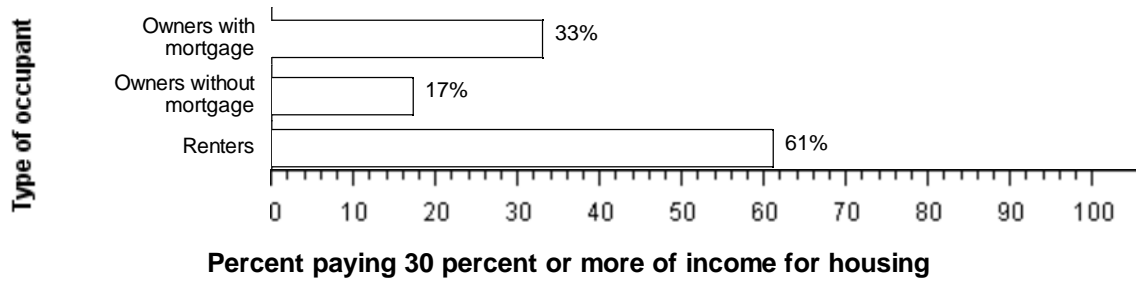


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OCCUPIED HOUSING UNIT CHARACTERISTICS: In 2005-2009, Machias town had 1,100 occupied housing units - 840 (79 percent) owner occupied and 220 (21 percent) renter occupied. Four percent of the households did not have telephone service and 9 percent of the households did not have access to a car, truck, or van for private use. Multi Vehicle households were not rare. Thirty-nine percent had two vehicles and another 16 percent had three or more.

HOUSING COSTS: The median monthly housing costs for mortgaged owners was \$1,087, nonmortgaged owners \$426, and renters \$650. Thirty-three percent of owners with mortgages, 17 percent of owners without mortgages, and 61 percent of renters in Machias town spent 30 percent or more of household income on housing.

Occupants with a Housing Cost Burden in Machias town, Cattaraugus County, New York in 2005-2009



Source: American Community Survey, 2005-2009

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005-2009 American Community Survey

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Notes:

- Detail may not add to totals due to rounding.
- Percentages are based on unrounded numbers.