



Persia town, Cattaraugus County, New York

Selected Social Characteristics in the United States: 2005-2009

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

Survey: American Community Survey

NOTE. 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.

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

Selected Social Characteristics in the United States	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	1,000	+/-75	1,000	(X)
Family households (families)	708	+/-77	70.8%	+/-6.2
With own children under 18 years	303	+/-52	30.3%	+/-4.9
Married-couple family	510	+/-76	51.0%	+/-6.5
With own children under 18 years	167	+/-45	16.7%	+/-4.5
Male householder, no wife present, family	81	+/-45	8.1%	+/-4.4
With own children under 18 years	68	+/-45	6.8%	+/-4.4
Female householder, no husband present, family	117	+/-45	11.7%	+/-4.7
With own children under 18 years	68	+/-37	6.8%	+/-3.7
Nonfamily households	292	+/-68	29.2%	+/-6.2
Householder living alone	237	+/-59	23.7%	+/-5.5
65 years and over	58	+/-27	5.8%	+/-2.7
Households with one or more people under 18 years	309	+/-50	30.9%	+/-4.8
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	196	+/-40	19.6%	+/-4.0
Average household size	2.43	+/-0.16	(X)	(X)
Average family size	2.77	+/-0.16	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	2,428	+/-204	2,428	(X)
Householder	1,000	+/-75	41.2%	+/-2.8
Spouse	517	+/-78	21.3%	+/-2.5
Child	694	+/-113	28.6%	+/-3.3
Other relatives	43	+/-24	1.8%	+/-1.0
Nonrelatives	174	+/-64	7.2%	+/-2.5
Unmarried partner	132	+/-55	5.4%	+/-2.2
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	1,046	+/-120	1,046	(X)
Never married	286	+/-73	27.3%	+/-6.8
Now married, except separated	554	+/-84	53.0%	+/-6.1
Separated	23	+/-21	2.2%	+/-1.9
Widowed	12	+/-12	1.1%	+/-1.2
Divorced	171	+/-69	16.3%	+/-6.2
Females 15 years and over	1,159	+/-129	1,159	(X)
Never married	348	+/-64	30.0%	+/-5.4
Now married, except separated	539	+/-86	46.5%	+/-5.7
Separated	10	+/-11	0.9%	+/-1.0
Widowed	110	+/-62	9.5%	+/-4.8
Divorced	152	+/-60	13.1%	+/-5.1

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FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	72	+/-48	72	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	36	+/-33	50.0%	+/-34.5
Per 1,000 unmarried women	84	+/-76	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	101	+/-67	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	71	+/-112	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	308	+/-174	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	0	+/-93	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	5	+/-8	5	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
1 or 2 years	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
3 or 4 years	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
5 or more years	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	0	+/-123	0	(X)
Who are female	0	+/-123	-	**
Who are married	0	+/-123	-	**
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	539	+/-102	539	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	27	+/-30	5.0%	+/-5.6
Kindergarten	16	+/-13	3.0%	+/-2.5
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	255	+/-70	47.3%	+/-8.4
High school (grades 9-12)	189	+/-59	35.1%	+/-9.5
College or graduate school	52	+/-27	9.6%	+/-4.5
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	1,811	+/-214	1,811	(X)
Less than 9th grade	102	+/-49	5.6%	+/-2.7
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	158	+/-103	8.7%	+/-5.0
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	616	+/-104	34.0%	+/-5.0
Some college, no degree	370	+/-79	20.4%	+/-4.1
Associate's degree	190	+/-58	10.5%	+/-3.0
Bachelor's degree	238	+/-86	13.1%	+/-4.7
Graduate or professional degree	137	+/-53	7.6%	+/-3.0
Percent high school graduate or higher	85.6%	+/-4.7	(X)	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	20.7%	+/-5.2	(X)	(X)
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	2,017	+/-227	2,017	(X)
Civilian veterans	324	+/-73	16.1%	+/-2.9
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Under 18 years	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
65 years and over	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	2,527	+/-261	2,527	(X)
Same house	2,136	+/-190	84.5%	+/-7.9
Different house in the U.S.	378	+/-225	15.0%	+/-7.9
Same county	210	+/-117	8.3%	+/-4.3

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Different county	168	+/-135	6.6%	+/-4.9
Same state	161	+/-134	6.4%	+/-4.9
Different state	7	+/-9	0.3%	+/-0.4
Abroad	13	+/-19	0.5%	+/-0.8
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	2,572	+/-269	2,572	(X)
Native	2,566	+/-268	99.8%	+/-0.3
Born in United States	2,566	+/-268	99.8%	+/-0.3
State of residence	2,106	+/-236	81.9%	+/-3.8
Different state	460	+/-111	17.9%	+/-3.8
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.3
Foreign born	6	+/-8	0.2%	+/-0.3
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	6	+/-8	6	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	6	+/-8	100.0%	+/-100.0
Not a U.S. citizen	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	6	+/-8	6	(X)
Native	0	+/-123	0	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	0	+/-123	-	**
Entered before 2000	0	+/-123	-	**
Foreign born	6	+/-8	6	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
Entered before 2000	6	+/-8	100.0%	+/-100.0
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	6	+/-8	6	(X)
Europe	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
Asia	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
Africa	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
Oceania	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
Latin America	6	+/-8	100.0%	+/-100.0
Northern America	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-100.0
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	2,454	+/-252	2,454	(X)
English only	2,392	+/-243	97.5%	+/-1.7
Language other than English	62	+/-44	2.5%	+/-1.7
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.4
Spanish	41	+/-29	1.7%	+/-1.2
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.4
Other Indo-European languages	21	+/-31	0.9%	+/-1.2
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.4
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.4
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.4
Other languages	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.4
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.4
ANCESTRY				
Total population	2,572	+/-269	2,572	(X)
American	63	+/-42	2.4%	+/-1.6
Arab	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.3
Czech	14	+/-22	0.5%	+/-0.9
Danish	2	+/-4	0.1%	+/-0.2
Dutch	40	+/-22	1.6%	+/-0.9
English	415	+/-99	16.1%	+/-4.0
French (except Basque)	126	+/-79	4.9%	+/-3.0
French Canadian	18	+/-20	0.7%	+/-0.7
German	964	+/-154	37.5%	+/-5.4
Greek	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.3
Hungarian	31	+/-30	1.2%	+/-1.2

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Irish	596	+/-142	23.2%	+/-5.0
Italian	337	+/-103	13.1%	+/-4.0
Lithuanian	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.3
Norwegian	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.3
Polish	330	+/-109	12.8%	+/-4.0
Portuguese	7	+/-10	0.3%	+/-0.4
Russian	32	+/-47	1.2%	+/-1.8
Scotch-Irish	14	+/-14	0.5%	+/-0.5
Scottish	35	+/-28	1.4%	+/-1.1
Slovak	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.3
Subsaharan African	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.3
Swedish	30	+/-28	1.2%	+/-1.1
Swiss	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.3
Ukrainian	27	+/-22	1.0%	+/-0.8
Welsh	67	+/-81	2.6%	+/-3.1
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.3

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

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.

Notes:

-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).

-The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Because of contextual differences between the 2008-2009 disability data and disability data collected in prior years, the Census Bureau is unable to combine the 5 years of disability data in order to produce the multi-year estimate that would appear in this table. Multi-year estimates of disability status will become available once five consecutive years of data are collected. For more information about the differences between the 2008 and prior years' disability questions, see [Review of Changes to the Measurement of Disability in the 2008 ACS](#).

-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, U.S. Island Areas or born outside the U.S. to a U.S. citizen parent and who subsequently moved to the U.S.

-While the 2005-2009 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2008 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 2000 data. Boundaries for urban areas have not been updated since Census 2000. As a result, data for urban and rural areas from the ACS do not necessarily reflect the results of ongoing urbanization.

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.
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