



Portville 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	1,621	+/-110	1,621	(X)
Family households (families)	1,109	+/-74	68.4%	+/-6.4
With own children under 18 years	477	+/-75	29.4%	+/-5.8
Married-couple family	824	+/-104	50.8%	+/-6.6
With own children under 18 years	289	+/-57	17.8%	+/-4.1
Male householder, no wife present, family	59	+/-43	3.6%	+/-2.7
With own children under 18 years	6	+/-7	0.4%	+/-0.4
Female householder, no husband present, family	226	+/-75	13.9%	+/-4.9
With own children under 18 years	182	+/-73	11.2%	+/-4.7
Nonfamily households	512	+/-131	31.6%	+/-6.4
Householder living alone	421	+/-117	26.0%	+/-5.8
65 years and over	215	+/-75	13.3%	+/-4.1
Households with one or more people under 18 years	521	+/-81	32.1%	+/-6.4
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	444	+/-89	27.4%	+/-4.4
Average household size	2.33	+/-0.16	(X)	(X)
Average family size	2.75	+/-0.14	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	3,782	+/-21	3,782	(X)
Householder	1,621	+/-110	42.9%	+/-2.9
Spouse	811	+/-98	21.4%	+/-2.6
Child	1,080	+/-151	28.6%	+/-4.0
Other relatives	51	+/-27	1.3%	+/-0.7
Nonrelatives	219	+/-85	5.8%	+/-2.2
Unmarried partner	124	+/-64	3.3%	+/-1.7
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	1,478	+/-139	1,478	(X)
Never married	413	+/-121	27.9%	+/-6.7
Now married, except separated	823	+/-100	55.7%	+/-7.1
Separated	50	+/-37	3.4%	+/-2.5
Widowed	32	+/-25	2.2%	+/-1.7
Divorced	160	+/-78	10.8%	+/-5.1
Females 15 years and over	1,570	+/-100	1,570	(X)
Never married	255	+/-88	16.2%	+/-5.3
Now married, except separated	824	+/-104	52.5%	+/-6.7
Separated	117	+/-68	7.5%	+/-4.3
Widowed	189	+/-71	12.0%	+/-4.3
Divorced	185	+/-76	11.8%	+/-4.8

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FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	90	+/-49	90	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	26	+/-28	28.9%	+/-27.3
Per 1,000 unmarried women	78	+/-82	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	97	+/-55	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	98	+/-135	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	245	+/-134	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	0	+/-69	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	23	+/-17	23	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	18	+/-19	78.3%	+/-46.5
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-64.2
1 or 2 years	8	+/-12	34.8%	+/-42.5
3 or 4 years	10	+/-15	43.5%	+/-56.5
5 or more years	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-64.2
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	18	+/-19	18	(X)
Who are female	4	+/-6	22.2%	+/-29.1
Who are married	8	+/-12	44.4%	+/-55.6
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	858	+/-199	858	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	25	+/-23	2.9%	+/-2.6
Kindergarten	48	+/-36	5.6%	+/-4.1
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	386	+/-108	45.0%	+/-6.8
High school (grades 9-12)	211	+/-81	24.6%	+/-7.1
College or graduate school	188	+/-70	21.9%	+/-7.1
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	2,519	+/-140	2,519	(X)
Less than 9th grade	29	+/-24	1.2%	+/-0.9
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	171	+/-71	6.8%	+/-2.8
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	1,016	+/-168	40.3%	+/-6.6
Some college, no degree	338	+/-97	13.4%	+/-3.7
Associate's degree	304	+/-78	12.1%	+/-2.9
Bachelor's degree	362	+/-104	14.4%	+/-3.9
Graduate or professional degree	299	+/-88	11.9%	+/-3.5
Percent high school graduate or higher	92.1%	+/-2.9	(X)	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	26.2%	+/-4.6	(X)	(X)
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	2,902	+/-173	2,902	(X)
Civilian veterans	407	+/-114	14.0%	+/-3.9
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	3,730	+/-45	3,730	(X)
Same house	2,987	+/-300	80.1%	+/-8.1
Different house in the U.S.	743	+/-302	19.9%	+/-8.1
Same county	492	+/-275	13.2%	+/-7.3

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Different county	251	+/-144	6.7%	+/-3.9
Same state	163	+/-130	4.4%	+/-3.5
Different state	88	+/-69	2.4%	+/-1.8
Abroad	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.9
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	3,782	+/-21	3,782	(X)
Native	3,753	+/-37	99.2%	+/-0.7
Born in United States	3,734	+/-44	98.7%	+/-1.0
State of residence	3,005	+/-177	79.5%	+/-4.7
Different state	729	+/-176	19.3%	+/-4.6
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	19	+/-23	0.5%	+/-0.6
Foreign born	29	+/-27	0.8%	+/-0.7
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	29	+/-27	29	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	26	+/-26	89.7%	+/-22.5
Not a U.S. citizen	3	+/-6	10.3%	+/-22.5
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	48	+/-37	48	(X)
Native	19	+/-23	19	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-70.6
Entered before 2000	19	+/-23	100.0%	+/-70.6
Foreign born	29	+/-27	29	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-57.1
Entered before 2000	29	+/-27	100.0%	+/-57.1
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	29	+/-27	29	(X)
Europe	12	+/-19	41.4%	+/-46.1
Asia	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-57.1
Africa	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-57.1
Oceania	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-57.1
Latin America	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-57.1
Northern America	17	+/-19	58.6%	+/-46.1
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	3,575	+/-85	3,575	(X)
English only	3,468	+/-113	97.0%	+/-2.1
Language other than English	107	+/-74	3.0%	+/-2.1
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.0
Spanish	49	+/-49	1.4%	+/-1.4
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.0
Other Indo-European languages	58	+/-58	1.6%	+/-1.6
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.0
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.0
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.0
Other languages	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.0
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-1.0
ANCESTRY				
Total population	3,782	+/-21	3,782	(X)
American	141	+/-65	3.7%	+/-1.7
Arab	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.9
Czech	25	+/-34	0.7%	+/-0.9
Danish	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.9
Dutch	116	+/-54	3.1%	+/-1.4
English	770	+/-204	20.4%	+/-5.4
French (except Basque)	51	+/-53	1.3%	+/-1.4
French Canadian	27	+/-30	0.7%	+/-0.8
German	1,313	+/-250	34.7%	+/-6.6
Greek	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.9
Hungarian	6	+/-10	0.2%	+/-0.3

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Irish	950	+/-200	25.1%	+/-5.3
Italian	392	+/-183	10.4%	+/-4.8
Lithuanian	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.9
Norwegian	24	+/-28	0.6%	+/-0.7
Polish	309	+/-111	8.2%	+/-2.9
Portuguese	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.9
Russian	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.9
Scotch-Irish	23	+/-20	0.6%	+/-0.5
Scottish	55	+/-41	1.5%	+/-1.1
Slovak	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.9
Subsaharan African	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.9
Swedish	62	+/-38	1.6%	+/-1.0
Swiss	8	+/-10	0.2%	+/-0.3
Ukrainian	29	+/-43	0.8%	+/-1.1
Welsh	47	+/-32	1.2%	+/-0.9
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.9

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.
3. An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
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6. An '*****' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.
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