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2008-2012 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.

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.

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.

Subject	Suffolk city, Virginia			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	30,502	+/-400	30,502	(X)
Family households (families)	22,545	+/-573	73.9%	+/-1.5
With own children under 18 years	10,637	+/-408	34.9%	+/-1.2
Married-couple family	16,388	+/-653	53.7%	+/-2.0
With own children under 18 years	7,025	+/-425	23.0%	+/-1.3
Male householder, no wife present, family	1,397	+/-280	4.6%	+/-0.9
With own children under 18 years	858	+/-222	2.8%	+/-0.7
Female householder, no husband present, family	4,760	+/-405	15.6%	+/-1.3
With own children under 18 years	2,754	+/-296	9.0%	+/-1.0
Nonfamily households	7,957	+/-467	26.1%	+/-1.5
Householder living alone	6,864	+/-432	22.5%	+/-1.4
65 years and over	2,407	+/-230	7.9%	+/-0.8
Households with one or more people under 18 years	11,836	+/-416	38.8%	+/-1.3
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	6,974	+/-197	22.9%	+/-0.6
Average household size	2.73	+/-0.04	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.22	+/-0.07	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	83,229	+/-168	83,229	(X)
Householder	30,502	+/-400	36.6%	+/-0.5
Spouse	16,412	+/-658	19.7%	+/-0.8
Child	27,771	+/-745	33.4%	+/-0.9
Other relatives	5,923	+/-609	7.1%	+/-0.7
Nonrelatives	2,621	+/-413	3.1%	+/-0.5
Unmarried partner	1,203	+/-225	1.4%	+/-0.3
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	31,304	+/-148	31,304	(X)
Never married	8,940	+/-424	28.6%	+/-1.3
Now married, except separated	17,600	+/-613	56.2%	+/-2.0
Separated	781	+/-195	2.5%	+/-0.6
Widowed	715	+/-140	2.3%	+/-0.4

Subject	Suffolk city, Virginia			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
Divorced	3,268	+/-448	10.4%	+/-1.4
Females 15 years and over	34,721	+/-86	34,721	(X)
Never married	8,630	+/-424	24.9%	+/-1.2
Now married, except separated	17,326	+/-708	49.9%	+/-2.0
Separated	1,361	+/-244	3.9%	+/-0.7
Widowed	3,430	+/-320	9.9%	+/-0.9
Divorced	3,974	+/-432	11.4%	+/-1.2
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	1,061	+/-219	1,061	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	386	+/-139	36.4%	+/-11.5
Per 1,000 unmarried women	39	+/-14	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	50	+/-10	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	15	+/-14	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	112	+/-25	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	15	+/-6	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	2,592	+/-402	2,592	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	1,155	+/-303	44.6%	+/-8.4
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	202	+/-98	7.8%	+/-3.7
1 or 2 years	258	+/-148	10.0%	+/-5.1
3 or 4 years	144	+/-92	5.6%	+/-3.4
5 or more years	551	+/-204	21.3%	+/-7.1
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	1,155	+/-303	1,155	(X)
Who are female	686	+/-176	59.4%	+/-6.3
Who are married	881	+/-280	76.3%	+/-9.4
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	23,707	+/-675	23,707	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	1,491	+/-298	6.3%	+/-1.2
Kindergarten	1,440	+/-254	6.1%	+/-1.1
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	10,186	+/-362	43.0%	+/-1.9
High school (grades 9-12)	4,539	+/-223	19.1%	+/-0.9
College or graduate school	6,051	+/-542	25.5%	+/-1.7
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	55,370	+/-180	55,370	(X)
Less than 9th grade	2,448	+/-309	4.4%	+/-0.6
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	5,267	+/-490	9.5%	+/-0.9
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	15,936	+/-864	28.8%	+/-1.6
Some college, no degree	12,969	+/-687	23.4%	+/-1.2
Associate's degree	4,494	+/-472	8.1%	+/-0.9
Bachelor's degree	9,120	+/-642	16.5%	+/-1.1
Graduate or professional degree	5,136	+/-487	9.3%	+/-0.9
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	86.1%	+/-1.0
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	25.7%	+/-1.5
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	60,203	+/-355	60,203	(X)
Civilian veterans	10,652	+/-513	17.7%	+/-0.8

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DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	81,167	+/-388	81,167	(X)
With a disability	9,059	+/-588	11.2%	+/-0.7
Under 18 years	21,843	+/-71	21,843	(X)
With a disability	1,056	+/-245	4.8%	+/-1.1
18 to 64 years	49,810	+/-411	49,810	(X)
With a disability	4,465	+/-375	9.0%	+/-0.7
65 years and over	9,514	+/-143	9,514	(X)
With a disability	3,538	+/-320	37.2%	+/-3.3
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	83,025	+/-241	83,025	(X)
Same house	71,935	+/-1,344	86.6%	+/-1.6
Different house in the U.S.	10,804	+/-1,345	13.0%	+/-1.6
Same county	5,076	+/-1,049	6.1%	+/-1.3
Different county	5,728	+/-1,033	6.9%	+/-1.2
Same state	3,151	+/-667	3.8%	+/-0.8
Different state	2,577	+/-786	3.1%	+/-0.9
Abroad	286	+/-148	0.3%	+/-0.2
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	84,216	*****	84,216	(X)
Native	81,721	+/-533	97.0%	+/-0.6
Born in United States	80,351	+/-558	95.4%	+/-0.7
State of residence	51,440	+/-1,340	61.1%	+/-1.6
Different state	28,911	+/-1,246	34.3%	+/-1.5
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	1,370	+/-346	1.6%	+/-0.4
Foreign born	2,495	+/-533	3.0%	+/-0.6
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	2,495	+/-533	2,495	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	1,521	+/-283	61.0%	+/-8.1
Not a U.S. citizen	974	+/-357	39.0%	+/-8.1
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	3,865	+/-558	3,865	(X)
Native	1,370	+/-346	1,370	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	43	+/-48	3.1%	+/-3.4
Entered before 2010	1,327	+/-337	96.9%	+/-3.4
Foreign born	2,495	+/-533	2,495	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	35	+/-38	1.4%	+/-1.5
Entered before 2010	2,460	+/-530	98.6%	+/-1.5
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	2,495	+/-533	2,495	(X)
Europe	476	+/-156	19.1%	+/-5.6
Asia	955	+/-249	38.3%	+/-8.5
Africa	261	+/-266	10.5%	+/-9.6
Oceania	9	+/-13	0.4%	+/-0.5
Latin America	742	+/-247	29.7%	+/-7.7
Northern America	52	+/-38	2.1%	+/-1.6

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LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	78,368	+/-23	78,368	(X)
English only	74,944	+/-536	95.6%	+/-0.7
Language other than English	3,424	+/-537	4.4%	+/-0.7
Speak English less than "very well"	925	+/-270	1.2%	+/-0.3
Spanish	1,411	+/-308	1.8%	+/-0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	363	+/-142	0.5%	+/-0.2
Other Indo-European languages	1,081	+/-332	1.4%	+/-0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	110	+/-69	0.1%	+/-0.1
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	683	+/-192	0.9%	+/-0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	283	+/-131	0.4%	+/-0.2
Other languages	249	+/-244	0.3%	+/-0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	169	+/-191	0.2%	+/-0.2
ANCESTRY				
Total population	84,216	*****	84,216	(X)
American	12,508	+/-1,360	14.9%	+/-1.6
Arab	331	+/-244	0.4%	+/-0.3
Czech	207	+/-183	0.2%	+/-0.2
Danish	327	+/-233	0.4%	+/-0.3
Dutch	766	+/-268	0.9%	+/-0.3
English	8,434	+/-792	10.0%	+/-0.9
French (except Basque)	1,776	+/-326	2.1%	+/-0.4
French Canadian	214	+/-121	0.3%	+/-0.1
German	7,767	+/-798	9.2%	+/-0.9
Greek	249	+/-143	0.3%	+/-0.2
Hungarian	39	+/-37	0.0%	+/-0.1
Irish	5,987	+/-701	7.1%	+/-0.8
Italian	2,301	+/-498	2.7%	+/-0.6
Lithuanian	77	+/-84	0.1%	+/-0.1
Norwegian	376	+/-217	0.4%	+/-0.3
Polish	942	+/-286	1.1%	+/-0.3
Portuguese	176	+/-113	0.2%	+/-0.1
Russian	252	+/-141	0.3%	+/-0.2
Scotch-Irish	1,153	+/-303	1.4%	+/-0.4
Scottish	1,517	+/-311	1.8%	+/-0.4
Slovak	0	+/-29	0.0%	+/-0.1
Subsaharan African	1,002	+/-449	1.2%	+/-0.5
Swedish	266	+/-104	0.3%	+/-0.1
Swiss	205	+/-208	0.2%	+/-0.2
Ukrainian	110	+/-95	0.1%	+/-0.1
Welsh	244	+/-110	0.3%	+/-0.1
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	802	+/-355	1.0%	+/-0.4

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.

Fertility data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with data collection. See Errata Note #92 for details.

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.

While the 2008-2012 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the December 2009 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.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008-2012 American Community Survey

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.