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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	Virginia Beach city, Virginia			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
EMPLOYMENT STATUS				
Population 16 years and over	346,596	+/-397	346,596	(X)
In labor force	248,348	+/-1,698	71.7%	+/-0.5
Civilian labor force	222,967	+/-2,178	64.3%	+/-0.6
Employed	209,002	+/-2,201	60.3%	+/-0.6
Unemployed	13,965	+/-906	4.0%	+/-0.3
Armed Forces	25,381	+/-1,280	7.3%	+/-0.4
Not in labor force	98,248	+/-1,661	28.3%	+/-0.5
Civilian labor force	222,967	+/-2,178	222,967	(X)
Percent Unemployed	(X)	(X)	6.3%	+/-0.4
Females 16 years and over				
In labor force	115,865	+/-1,183	64.7%	+/-0.7
Civilian labor force	111,972	+/-1,253	62.5%	+/-0.7
Employed	105,000	+/-1,319	58.6%	+/-0.7
Own children under 6 years				
All parents in family in labor force	20,226	+/-737	61.4%	+/-2.2
Own children 6 to 17 years				
All parents in family in labor force	49,141	+/-1,318	72.2%	+/-1.7
COMMUTING TO WORK				
Workers 16 years and over	230,566	+/-1,775	230,566	(X)
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	189,296	+/-2,243	82.1%	+/-0.8
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	20,379	+/-1,304	8.8%	+/-0.6
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	1,692	+/-346	0.7%	+/-0.2
Walked	5,014	+/-657	2.2%	+/-0.3
Other means	3,859	+/-637	1.7%	+/-0.3
Worked at home	10,326	+/-846	4.5%	+/-0.4
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	22.7	+/-0.3	(X)	(X)
OCCUPATION				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	209,002	+/-2,201	209,002	(X)

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Management, business, science, and arts occupations	81,500	+/-1,744	39.0%	+/-0.8
Service occupations	34,819	+/-1,425	16.7%	+/-0.7
Sales and office occupations	57,097	+/-1,438	27.3%	+/-0.6
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	18,831	+/-933	9.0%	+/-0.4
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	16,755	+/-870	8.0%	+/-0.4
INDUSTRY				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	209,002	+/-2,201	209,002	(X)
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	579	+/-176	0.3%	+/-0.1
Construction	14,288	+/-888	6.8%	+/-0.4
Manufacturing	13,422	+/-851	6.4%	+/-0.4
Wholesale trade	4,864	+/-519	2.3%	+/-0.3
Retail trade	26,309	+/-1,147	12.6%	+/-0.5
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	8,422	+/-680	4.0%	+/-0.3
Information	4,979	+/-646	2.4%	+/-0.3
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	16,287	+/-835	7.8%	+/-0.4
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	25,541	+/-1,061	12.2%	+/-0.5
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	43,732	+/-1,286	20.9%	+/-0.6
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	21,247	+/-1,298	10.2%	+/-0.6
Other services, except public administration	10,297	+/-740	4.9%	+/-0.4
Public administration	19,035	+/-857	9.1%	+/-0.4
CLASS OF WORKER				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	209,002	+/-2,201	209,002	(X)
Private wage and salary workers	155,531	+/-2,433	74.4%	+/-0.7
Government workers	43,571	+/-1,440	20.8%	+/-0.7
Self-employed in own not incorporated business workers	9,680	+/-698	4.6%	+/-0.3
Unpaid family workers	220	+/-92	0.1%	+/-0.1
INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2012 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)				
Total households	164,226	+/-1,149	164,226	(X)
Less than \$10,000	6,247	+/-564	3.8%	+/-0.3
\$10,000 to \$14,999	4,531	+/-578	2.8%	+/-0.4
\$15,000 to \$24,999	10,409	+/-743	6.3%	+/-0.4
\$25,000 to \$34,999	13,797	+/-694	8.4%	+/-0.4
\$35,000 to \$49,999	23,097	+/-944	14.1%	+/-0.5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	35,490	+/-1,198	21.6%	+/-0.7
\$75,000 to \$99,999	24,819	+/-928	15.1%	+/-0.6
\$100,000 to \$149,999	28,051	+/-1,026	17.1%	+/-0.6
\$150,000 to \$199,999	10,379	+/-678	6.3%	+/-0.4
\$200,000 or more	7,406	+/-508	4.5%	+/-0.3
Median household income (dollars)	65,980	+/-1,136	(X)	(X)
Mean household income (dollars)	82,827	+/-1,202	(X)	(X)
With earnings	139,701	+/-1,265	85.1%	+/-0.5
Mean earnings (dollars)	77,533	+/-1,184	(X)	(X)
With Social Security	37,215	+/-654	22.7%	+/-0.4
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	17,131	+/-297	(X)	(X)
With retirement income	38,282	+/-967	23.3%	+/-0.6
Mean retirement income (dollars)	28,821	+/-1,289	(X)	(X)
With Supplemental Security Income	4,492	+/-424	2.7%	+/-0.3
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	8,922	+/-507	(X)	(X)
With cash public assistance income	2,123	+/-283	1.3%	+/-0.2

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Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,004	+/-493	(X)	(X)
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits in the past 12 months	8,185	+/-571	5.0%	+/-0.3
Families	112,794	+/-1,127	112,794	(X)
Less than \$10,000	3,010	+/-395	2.7%	+/-0.3
\$10,000 to \$14,999	1,943	+/-332	1.7%	+/-0.3
\$15,000 to \$24,999	5,045	+/-560	4.5%	+/-0.5
\$25,000 to \$34,999	7,896	+/-609	7.0%	+/-0.5
\$35,000 to \$49,999	13,358	+/-602	11.8%	+/-0.5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	23,966	+/-1,011	21.2%	+/-0.9
\$75,000 to \$99,999	19,354	+/-821	17.2%	+/-0.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	22,867	+/-972	20.3%	+/-0.8
\$150,000 to \$199,999	9,035	+/-604	8.0%	+/-0.5
\$200,000 or more	6,320	+/-434	5.6%	+/-0.4
Median family income (dollars)	76,220	+/-1,143	(X)	(X)
Mean family income (dollars)	92,558	+/-1,566	(X)	(X)
Per capita income (dollars)	31,878	+/-436	(X)	(X)
Nonfamily households	51,432	+/-1,179	51,432	(X)
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	45,509	+/-1,279	(X)	(X)
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	58,075	+/-1,713	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for workers (dollars)	34,608	+/-685	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for male full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	49,355	+/-828	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for female full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	38,261	+/-955	(X)	(X)
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE				
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	411,122	+/-1,506	411,122	(X)
With health insurance coverage	370,264	+/-2,115	90.1%	+/-0.4
With private health insurance	337,335	+/-2,480	82.1%	+/-0.6
With public coverage	81,353	+/-1,667	19.8%	+/-0.4
No health insurance coverage	40,858	+/-1,712	9.9%	+/-0.4
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	104,900	+/-52	104,900	(X)
No health insurance coverage	5,161	+/-747	4.9%	+/-0.7
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	260,207	+/-1,540	260,207	(X)
In labor force:	210,468	+/-1,974	210,468	(X)
Employed:	197,496	+/-2,011	197,496	(X)
With health insurance coverage	173,929	+/-2,283	88.1%	+/-0.6
With private health insurance	170,839	+/-2,297	86.5%	+/-0.7
With public coverage	8,598	+/-678	4.4%	+/-0.3
No health insurance coverage	23,567	+/-1,253	11.9%	+/-0.6
Unemployed:	12,972	+/-880	12,972	(X)
With health insurance coverage	7,688	+/-681	59.3%	+/-2.8
With private health insurance	6,522	+/-594	50.3%	+/-2.6
With public coverage	1,531	+/-293	11.8%	+/-2.1
No health insurance coverage	5,284	+/-469	40.7%	+/-2.8
Not in labor force:	49,739	+/-1,282	49,739	(X)
With health insurance coverage	43,359	+/-1,234	87.2%	+/-1.1
With private health insurance	37,896	+/-1,135	76.2%	+/-1.4
With public coverage	9,701	+/-640	19.5%	+/-1.1
No health insurance coverage	6,380	+/-548	12.8%	+/-1.1

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PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL				
All families	(X)	(X)	5.7%	+/-0.5
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	9.4%	+/-0.9
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	11.4%	+/-2.5
Married couple families	(X)	(X)	2.2%	+/-0.4
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	3.1%	+/-0.7
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	4.3%	+/-1.7
Families with female householder, no husband present	(X)	(X)	18.9%	+/-2.0
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	24.6%	+/-2.6
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	29.6%	+/-6.9
All people	(X)	(X)	7.4%	+/-0.5
Under 18 years	(X)	(X)	11.2%	+/-1.2
Related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	10.8%	+/-1.2
Related children under 5 years	(X)	(X)	13.9%	+/-2.4
Related children 5 to 17 years	(X)	(X)	9.7%	+/-1.2
18 years and over	(X)	(X)	6.2%	+/-0.4
18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	6.4%	+/-0.4
65 years and over	(X)	(X)	4.8%	+/-0.7
People in families	(X)	(X)	6.1%	+/-0.6
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	(X)	(X)	13.5%	+/-1.0

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.

There were changes in the edit between 2009 and 2010 regarding Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security. The changes in the edit loosened restrictions on disability requirements for receipt of SSI resulting in an increase in the total number of SSI recipients in the American Community Survey. The changes also loosened restrictions on possible reported monthly amounts in Social Security income resulting in higher Social Security aggregate amounts. These results more closely match administrative counts compiled by the Social Security Administration.

Workers include members of the Armed Forces and civilians who were at work last week.

Industry codes are 4-digit codes and are based on the North American Industry Classification System 2007. The Industry categories adhere to the guidelines issued in Clarification Memorandum No. 2, "NAICS Alternate Aggregation Structure for Use By U.S. Statistical Agencies," issued by the Office of Management and Budget.

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.