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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
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	164,226	+/-1,149	164,226	(X)
Family households (families)	112,794	+/-1,127	68.7%	+/-0.6
With own children under 18 years	53,457	+/-1,124	32.6%	+/-0.6
Married-couple family	84,194	+/-1,185	51.3%	+/-0.7
With own children under 18 years	36,297	+/-1,044	22.1%	+/-0.6
Male householder, no wife present, family	6,154	+/-490	3.7%	+/-0.3
With own children under 18 years	2,982	+/-393	1.8%	+/-0.2
Female householder, no husband present, family	22,446	+/-1,001	13.7%	+/-0.6
With own children under 18 years	14,178	+/-758	8.6%	+/-0.5
Nonfamily households	51,432	+/-1,179	31.3%	+/-0.6
Householder living alone	39,223	+/-1,008	23.9%	+/-0.6
65 years and over	12,160	+/-566	7.4%	+/-0.3
Households with one or more people under 18 years	59,125	+/-1,082	36.0%	+/-0.6
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	33,735	+/-435	20.5%	+/-0.3
Average household size	2.61	+/-0.02	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.12	+/-0.02	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	428,751	+/-1,282	428,751	(X)
Householder	164,226	+/-1,149	38.3%	+/-0.2
Spouse	84,178	+/-1,222	19.6%	+/-0.3
Child	129,790	+/-1,420	30.3%	+/-0.3
Other relatives	25,504	+/-1,507	5.9%	+/-0.3
Nonrelatives	25,053	+/-1,144	5.8%	+/-0.3
Unmarried partner	9,200	+/-641	2.1%	+/-0.1
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	171,174	+/-111	171,174	(X)
Never married	59,217	+/-1,116	34.6%	+/-0.6
Now married, except separated	90,115	+/-1,276	52.6%	+/-0.7
Separated	3,869	+/-470	2.3%	+/-0.3
Widowed	3,427	+/-359	2.0%	+/-0.2

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Divorced	14,546	+/-805	8.5%	+/-0.5
Females 15 years and over	181,780	+/-120	181,780	(X)
Never married	47,284	+/-933	26.0%	+/-0.5
Now married, except separated	91,528	+/-1,354	50.4%	+/-0.7
Separated	5,692	+/-594	3.1%	+/-0.3
Widowed	13,557	+/-577	7.5%	+/-0.3
Divorced	23,719	+/-779	13.0%	+/-0.4
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	6,417	+/-521	6,417	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	1,659	+/-285	25.9%	+/-4.0
Per 1,000 unmarried women	29	+/-5	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	55	+/-5	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	16	+/-7	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	101	+/-9	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	22	+/-5	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	10,049	+/-861	10,049	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	3,863	+/-541	38.4%	+/-4.1
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	922	+/-239	9.2%	+/-2.3
1 or 2 years	950	+/-274	9.5%	+/-2.6
3 or 4 years	789	+/-267	7.9%	+/-2.5
5 or more years	1,202	+/-240	12.0%	+/-2.3
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	3,863	+/-541	3,863	(X)
Who are female	2,361	+/-336	61.1%	+/-3.4
Who are married	2,774	+/-490	71.8%	+/-5.3
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	120,581	+/-1,480	120,581	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	7,103	+/-588	5.9%	+/-0.5
Kindergarten	5,716	+/-510	4.7%	+/-0.4
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	46,843	+/-706	38.8%	+/-0.7
High school (grades 9-12)	24,488	+/-530	20.3%	+/-0.5
College or graduate school	36,431	+/-1,324	30.2%	+/-0.8
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	286,993	+/-123	286,993	(X)
Less than 9th grade	5,883	+/-535	2.0%	+/-0.2
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	13,944	+/-895	4.9%	+/-0.3
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	66,969	+/-1,890	23.3%	+/-0.7
Some college, no degree	78,670	+/-1,896	27.4%	+/-0.7
Associate's degree	28,883	+/-1,077	10.1%	+/-0.4
Bachelor's degree	60,379	+/-1,780	21.0%	+/-0.6
Graduate or professional degree	32,265	+/-1,279	11.2%	+/-0.4
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	93.1%	+/-0.4
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	32.3%	+/-0.7
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	309,182	+/-1,281	309,182	(X)
Civilian veterans	61,092	+/-1,317	19.8%	+/-0.4

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DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	411,122	+/-1,506	411,122	(X)
With a disability	39,749	+/-1,125	9.7%	+/-0.3
Under 18 years	104,900	+/-52	104,900	(X)
With a disability	4,218	+/-382	4.0%	+/-0.4
18 to 64 years	260,207	+/-1,540	260,207	(X)
With a disability	20,406	+/-899	7.8%	+/-0.3
65 years and over	46,015	+/-199	46,015	(X)
With a disability	15,125	+/-598	32.9%	+/-1.3
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	433,860	+/-476	433,860	(X)
Same house	353,436	+/-3,146	81.5%	+/-0.7
Different house in the U.S.	76,442	+/-2,961	17.6%	+/-0.7
Same county	39,333	+/-2,108	9.1%	+/-0.5
Different county	37,109	+/-2,319	8.6%	+/-0.5
Same state	16,641	+/-1,496	3.8%	+/-0.3
Different state	20,468	+/-1,632	4.7%	+/-0.4
Abroad	3,982	+/-759	0.9%	+/-0.2
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	439,528	*****	439,528	(X)
Native	401,395	+/-1,297	91.3%	+/-0.3
Born in United States	389,979	+/-1,450	88.7%	+/-0.3
State of residence	171,936	+/-2,824	39.1%	+/-0.6
Different state	218,043	+/-2,981	49.6%	+/-0.7
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	11,416	+/-796	2.6%	+/-0.2
Foreign born	38,133	+/-1,297	8.7%	+/-0.3
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	38,133	+/-1,297	38,133	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	22,680	+/-851	59.5%	+/-2.3
Not a U.S. citizen	15,453	+/-1,197	40.5%	+/-2.3
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	49,549	+/-1,450	49,549	(X)
Native	11,416	+/-796	11,416	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	211	+/-113	1.8%	+/-1.0
Entered before 2010	11,205	+/-772	98.2%	+/-1.0
Foreign born	38,133	+/-1,297	38,133	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	1,058	+/-346	2.8%	+/-0.9
Entered before 2010	37,075	+/-1,265	97.2%	+/-0.9
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	38,133	+/-1,297	38,133	(X)
Europe	7,206	+/-714	18.9%	+/-1.7
Asia	20,007	+/-658	52.5%	+/-1.7
Africa	1,726	+/-447	4.5%	+/-1.1
Oceania	251	+/-138	0.7%	+/-0.4
Latin America	7,969	+/-781	20.9%	+/-1.7
Northern America	974	+/-218	2.6%	+/-0.6

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LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	410,322	+/-66	410,322	(X)
English only	363,620	+/-1,537	88.6%	+/-0.4
Language other than English	46,702	+/-1,545	11.4%	+/-0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	14,321	+/-848	3.5%	+/-0.2
Spanish	15,755	+/-979	3.8%	+/-0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	4,693	+/-572	1.1%	+/-0.1
Other Indo-European languages	10,864	+/-953	2.6%	+/-0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	2,473	+/-392	0.6%	+/-0.1
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	18,215	+/-710	4.4%	+/-0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	6,608	+/-508	1.6%	+/-0.1
Other languages	1,868	+/-464	0.5%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	547	+/-201	0.1%	+/-0.1
ANCESTRY				
Total population	439,528	*****	439,528	(X)
American	55,579	+/-2,877	12.6%	+/-0.7
Arab	1,819	+/-441	0.4%	+/-0.1
Czech	1,590	+/-330	0.4%	+/-0.1
Danish	1,125	+/-270	0.3%	+/-0.1
Dutch	5,829	+/-618	1.3%	+/-0.1
English	43,336	+/-1,783	9.9%	+/-0.4
French (except Basque)	11,682	+/-923	2.7%	+/-0.2
French Canadian	3,125	+/-469	0.7%	+/-0.1
German	60,164	+/-2,130	13.7%	+/-0.5
Greek	2,575	+/-453	0.6%	+/-0.1
Hungarian	1,713	+/-330	0.4%	+/-0.1
Irish	52,081	+/-1,865	11.8%	+/-0.4
Italian	29,956	+/-1,637	6.8%	+/-0.4
Lithuanian	958	+/-287	0.2%	+/-0.1
Norwegian	3,160	+/-545	0.7%	+/-0.1
Polish	12,270	+/-871	2.8%	+/-0.2
Portuguese	1,757	+/-418	0.4%	+/-0.1
Russian	3,475	+/-487	0.8%	+/-0.1
Scotch-Irish	6,504	+/-605	1.5%	+/-0.1
Scottish	10,874	+/-847	2.5%	+/-0.2
Slovak	949	+/-283	0.2%	+/-0.1
Subsaharan African	31,185	+/-2,170	7.1%	+/-0.5
Swedish	3,591	+/-564	0.8%	+/-0.1
Swiss	889	+/-262	0.2%	+/-0.1
Ukrainian	1,134	+/-273	0.3%	+/-0.1
Welsh	4,240	+/-616	1.0%	+/-0.1
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	4,689	+/-947	1.1%	+/-0.2

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.