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2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

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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.

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	120,062,818	+/-161,148	120,062,818	(X)
Family households (families)	78,631,163	+/-144,258	65.5%	+/-0.1
With own children of the householder under 18 years	32,846,899	+/-79,121	27.4%	+/-0.1
Married-couple family	57,847,574	+/-164,114	48.2%	+/-0.1
With own children of the householder under 18 years	22,334,270	+/-78,325	18.6%	+/-0.1
Male householder, no wife present, family	5,886,661	+/-42,613	4.9%	+/-0.1
With own children of the householder under 18 years	2,723,009	+/-26,934	2.3%	+/-0.1
Female householder, no husband present, family	14,896,928	+/-60,378	12.4%	+/-0.1
With own children of the householder under 18 years	7,789,620	+/-45,691	6.5%	+/-0.1
Nonfamily households	41,431,655	+/-105,291	34.5%	+/-0.1
Householder living alone	33,513,155	+/-97,864	27.9%	+/-0.1
65 years and over	12,942,049	+/-41,843	10.8%	+/-0.1
Households with one or more people under 18 years	36,964,462	+/-79,227	30.8%	+/-0.1
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	35,259,560	+/-56,803	29.4%	+/-0.1
Average household size	2.65	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.26	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	317,631,941	*****	317,631,941	(X)
Householder	120,062,818	+/-161,148	37.8%	+/-0.1
Spouse	57,825,600	+/-162,146	18.2%	+/-0.1
Child	95,873,515	+/-145,312	30.2%	+/-0.1
Other relatives	24,130,351	+/-148,024	7.6%	+/-0.1
Nonrelatives	19,739,657	+/-130,542	6.2%	+/-0.1
Unmarried partner	7,386,941	+/-46,750	2.3%	+/-0.1
MARITAL STATUS				

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Males 15 years and over	129,185,808	+/-29,246	129,185,808	(X)
Never married	47,653,955	+/-103,635	36.9%	+/-0.1
Now married, except separated	63,704,502	+/-161,605	49.3%	+/-0.1
Separated	2,113,878	+/-30,764	1.6%	+/-0.1
Widowed	3,354,154	+/-29,566	2.6%	+/-0.1
Divorced	12,359,319	+/-58,655	9.6%	+/-0.1
Females 15 years and over	135,511,496	+/-27,395	135,511,496	(X)
Never married	41,441,679	+/-94,823	30.6%	+/-0.1
Now married, except separated	62,822,410	+/-142,855	46.4%	+/-0.1
Separated	2,993,920	+/-38,766	2.2%	+/-0.1
Widowed	11,792,566	+/-40,045	8.7%	+/-0.1
Divorced	16,460,921	+/-67,454	12.1%	+/-0.1
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	3,997,394	+/-28,051	3,997,394	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	1,348,315	+/-21,151	33.7%	+/-0.5
Per 1,000 unmarried women	31	+/-1	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	52	+/-1	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	12	+/-1	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	88	+/-1	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	29	+/-1	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	7,245,403	+/-67,308	7,245,403	(X)
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren	2,416,814	+/-32,070	33.4%	+/-0.3
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	441,812	+/-13,128	6.1%	+/-0.2
1 or 2 years	514,734	+/-15,098	7.1%	+/-0.2
3 or 4 years	405,271	+/-14,400	5.6%	+/-0.2
5 or more years	1,054,997	+/-25,516	14.6%	+/-0.3
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	2,416,814	+/-32,070	2,416,814	(X)
Who are female	1,537,320	+/-20,721	63.6%	+/-0.4
Who are married	1,638,536	+/-27,747	67.8%	+/-0.6
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	81,273,337	+/-80,092	81,273,337	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	4,889,724	+/-37,703	6.0%	+/-0.1
Kindergarten	4,001,570	+/-37,678	4.9%	+/-0.1
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	32,937,679	+/-61,763	40.5%	+/-0.1
High school (grades 9-12)	17,150,113	+/-49,244	21.1%	+/-0.1
College or graduate school	22,294,251	+/-60,839	27.4%	+/-0.1
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	221,250,083	+/-75,372	221,250,083	(X)
Less than 9th grade	11,267,058	+/-78,313	5.1%	+/-0.1
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	15,315,153	+/-69,792	6.9%	+/-0.1
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	60,031,545	+/-156,340	27.1%	+/-0.1
Some college, no degree	45,109,653	+/-94,628	20.4%	+/-0.1
Associate's degree	18,760,759	+/-81,189	8.5%	+/-0.1
Bachelor's degree	43,585,028	+/-146,108	19.7%	+/-0.1
Graduate or professional degree	27,180,887	+/-118,417	12.3%	+/-0.1
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	88.0%	+/-0.1
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	32.0%	+/-0.1

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VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	251,047,650	+/-33,764	251,047,650	(X)
Civilian veterans	18,204,605	+/-71,514	7.3%	+/-0.1
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	320,775,014	+/-15,011	320,775,014	(X)
With a disability	40,678,654	+/-109,293	12.7%	+/-0.1
Under 18 years				
With a disability	3,093,858	+/-31,182	4.2%	+/-0.1
18 to 64 years				
With a disability	20,444,249	+/-86,800	10.3%	+/-0.1
65 years and over				
With a disability	17,140,547	+/-55,555	34.6%	+/-0.1
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	321,994,428	+/-33,543	321,994,428	(X)
Same house	275,921,008	+/-183,767	85.7%	+/-0.1
Different house in the U.S.	43,940,092	+/-173,967	13.6%	+/-0.1
Same county	25,960,510	+/-152,199	8.1%	+/-0.1
Different county	17,979,582	+/-109,765	5.6%	+/-0.1
Same state	10,508,089	+/-74,846	3.3%	+/-0.1
Different state	7,471,493	+/-70,316	2.3%	+/-0.1
Abroad	2,133,328	+/-38,070	0.7%	+/-0.1
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	325,719,178	*****	325,719,178	(X)
Native	281,193,323	+/-135,763	86.3%	+/-0.1
Born in United States	276,026,590	+/-132,746	84.7%	+/-0.1
State of residence	189,679,604	+/-173,922	58.2%	+/-0.1
Different state	86,346,986	+/-166,515	26.5%	+/-0.1
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	5,166,733	+/-43,872	1.6%	+/-0.1
Foreign born	44,525,855	+/-135,763	13.7%	+/-0.1
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	44,525,855	+/-135,763	44,525,855	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	21,948,732	+/-75,947	49.3%	+/-0.2
Not a U.S. citizen	22,577,123	+/-141,327	50.7%	+/-0.2
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	49,692,588	+/-132,746	49,692,588	(X)
Native				
Entered 2010 or later	1,112,796	+/-24,283	21.5%	+/-0.4
Entered before 2010	4,053,937	+/-35,035	78.5%	+/-0.4
Foreign born				
Entered 2010 or later	9,487,329	+/-97,168	21.3%	+/-0.2
Entered before 2010	35,038,526	+/-95,261	78.7%	+/-0.2
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	44,525,458	+/-135,900	44,525,458	(X)
Europe	4,818,662	+/-45,341	10.8%	+/-0.1
Asia	13,907,844	+/-55,985	31.2%	+/-0.1
Africa	2,293,028	+/-41,979	5.1%	+/-0.1

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Oceania	263,965	+/-11,270	0.6%	+/-0.1
Latin America	22,425,056	+/-95,368	50.4%	+/-0.1
Northern America	816,903	+/-16,841	1.8%	+/-0.1
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	305,924,019	+/-20,249	305,924,019	(X)
English only	239,331,713	+/-177,245	78.2%	+/-0.1
Language other than English	66,592,306	+/-167,631	21.8%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	25,943,695	+/-111,415	8.5%	+/-0.1
Spanish	41,017,620	+/-115,992	13.4%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	16,434,926	+/-92,583	5.4%	+/-0.1
Other Indo-European languages	11,321,488	+/-73,521	3.7%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	3,472,765	+/-41,855	1.1%	+/-0.1
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	10,839,407	+/-57,656	3.5%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	4,976,978	+/-47,203	1.6%	+/-0.1
Other languages	3,413,791	+/-57,076	1.1%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	1,059,026	+/-27,531	0.3%	+/-0.1
ANCESTRY				
Total population	325,719,178	*****	325,719,178	(X)
American	20,024,830	+/-114,083	6.1%	+/-0.1
Arab	2,005,223	+/-48,033	0.6%	+/-0.1
Czech	1,379,037	+/-22,004	0.4%	+/-0.1
Danish	1,284,171	+/-25,886	0.4%	+/-0.1
Dutch	3,906,193	+/-44,456	1.2%	+/-0.1
English	23,074,947	+/-96,420	7.1%	+/-0.1
French (except Basque)	7,673,619	+/-59,457	2.4%	+/-0.1
French Canadian	2,110,014	+/-32,563	0.6%	+/-0.1
German	43,093,766	+/-133,481	13.2%	+/-0.1
Greek	1,246,095	+/-24,945	0.4%	+/-0.1
Hungarian	1,373,503	+/-24,527	0.4%	+/-0.1
Irish	31,479,232	+/-126,360	9.7%	+/-0.1
Italian	16,650,674	+/-100,388	5.1%	+/-0.1
Lithuanian	630,649	+/-14,611	0.2%	+/-0.1
Norwegian	4,295,981	+/-47,318	1.3%	+/-0.1
Polish	9,012,085	+/-64,795	2.8%	+/-0.1
Portuguese	1,371,701	+/-29,591	0.4%	+/-0.1
Russian	2,608,412	+/-34,219	0.8%	+/-0.1
Scotch-Irish	3,007,722	+/-33,264	0.9%	+/-0.1
Scottish	5,399,371	+/-43,591	1.7%	+/-0.1
Slovak	670,681	+/-16,833	0.2%	+/-0.1
Subsaharan African	3,893,865	+/-63,209	1.2%	+/-0.1
Swedish	3,683,020	+/-41,112	1.1%	+/-0.1
Swiss	916,404	+/-19,697	0.3%	+/-0.1
Ukrainian	1,006,636	+/-20,569	0.3%	+/-0.1
Welsh	1,801,259	+/-27,693	0.6%	+/-0.1
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	3,022,676	+/-53,201	0.9%	+/-0.1
COMPUTERS AND INTERNET USE				
Total households	120,062,818	+/-161,148	120,062,818	(X)
With a computer	108,981,265	+/-193,258	90.8%	+/-0.1
With a broadband Internet subscription	100,285,519	+/-231,797	83.5%	+/-0.1

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.

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).

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.

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.

Data about computer and Internet use were collected by asking respondents to select "Yes" or "No" to each type of computer and each type of Internet subscription. Therefore, respondents were able to select more than one type of computer and more than one type of Internet subscription.

The category "with a broadband Internet subscription" refers to those who said "Yes" to at least one of the following types of Internet subscriptions: Broadband such as cable, fiber optic, or DSL; a cellular data plan; satellite; or a fixed wireless subscription.

An Internet "subscription" refers to a type of service that someone pays for to access the Internet such as a cellular data plan, broadband such as cable, fiber optic or DSL, or other type of service. This will normally refer to a service that someone is billed for directly for Internet alone or sometimes as part of a bundle.

"With a computer" includes those who said "Yes" to at least one of the following types of computers: Desktop or laptop; smartphone; tablet or other portable wireless computer; or some other type of computer.

Caution should be used when comparing data for computer and Internet use before and after 2016. Changes in 2016 to the questions involving the wording as well as the response options resulted in changed response patterns in the data. Most noticeable are increases in overall computer ownership or use, the total of Internet subscriptions, satellite subscriptions, and cellular data plans for a smartphone or other mobile device. For more detailed information about these changes, see the 2016 American Community Survey Content Test Report for Computer and Internet Use located at <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/methodology/content-test.htm> or the user note regarding changes in the 2016 questions located at <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/technical-documentation/user-notes.html>.

While the 2017 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the July 2015 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) delineations 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 delineations due to differences in the effective dates of the geographic entities.

Estimates of urban and rural populations, housing units, and characteristics reflect boundaries of urban areas defined based on Census 2010 data. 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, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

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.