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2016 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

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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	United States			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	118,860,065	+/-154,606	118,860,065	(X)
Family households (families)	77,785,962	+/-125,088	65.4%	+/-0.1
With own children of the householder under 18 years	32,839,896	+/-70,961	27.6%	+/-0.1
Married-couple family	56,967,798	+/-148,592	47.9%	+/-0.1
With own children of the householder under 18 years	22,188,306	+/-74,925	18.7%	+/-0.1
Male householder, no wife present, family	5,794,777	+/-42,670	4.9%	+/-0.1
With own children of the householder under 18 years	2,709,515	+/-30,352	2.3%	+/-0.1
Female householder, no husband present, family	15,023,387	+/-66,862	12.6%	+/-0.1
With own children of the householder under 18 years	7,942,075	+/-48,940	6.7%	+/-0.1
Nonfamily households	41,074,103	+/-103,964	34.6%	+/-0.1
Householder living alone	33,254,192	+/-106,832	28.0%	+/-0.1
65 years and over	12,731,451	+/-49,405	10.7%	+/-0.1
Households with one or more people under 18 years	36,930,959	+/-76,344	31.1%	+/-0.1
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	34,246,996	+/-54,715	28.8%	+/-0.1
Average household size	2.65	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.27	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	315,047,636	*****	315,047,636	(X)
Householder	118,860,065	+/-154,606	37.7%	+/-0.1
Spouse	56,952,253	+/-143,632	18.1%	+/-0.1
Child	95,553,251	+/-125,057	30.3%	+/-0.1
Other relatives	23,949,690	+/-127,395	7.6%	+/-0.1
Nonrelatives	19,732,377	+/-133,429	6.3%	+/-0.1
Unmarried partner	7,237,348	+/-46,219	2.3%	+/-0.1

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MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	127,863,548	+/-30,127	127,863,548	(X)
Never married	47,194,876	+/-89,037	36.9%	+/-0.1
Now married, except separated	62,752,239	+/-135,903	49.1%	+/-0.1
Separated	2,178,197	+/-28,131	1.7%	+/-0.1
Widowed	3,384,560	+/-24,113	2.6%	+/-0.1
Divorced	12,353,676	+/-67,374	9.7%	+/-0.1
Females 15 years and over	134,276,506	+/-25,389	134,276,506	(X)
Never married	41,142,530	+/-84,363	30.6%	+/-0.1
Now married, except separated	61,754,268	+/-132,606	46.0%	+/-0.1
Separated	3,061,194	+/-31,061	2.3%	+/-0.1
Widowed	11,862,834	+/-47,039	8.8%	+/-0.1
Divorced	16,455,680	+/-54,252	12.3%	+/-0.1
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	3,946,903	+/-36,746	3,946,903	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	1,380,924	+/-19,080	35.0%	+/-0.4
Per 1,000 unmarried women	32	+/-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	14	+/-1	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	89	+/-1	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	26	+/-1	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	7,271,261	+/-60,144	7,271,261	(X)
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren	2,519,737	+/-28,473	34.7%	+/-0.4
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	483,733	+/-14,258	6.7%	+/-0.2
1 or 2 years	548,114	+/-13,504	7.5%	+/-0.2
3 or 4 years	403,942	+/-10,469	5.6%	+/-0.1
5 or more years	1,083,948	+/-19,963	14.9%	+/-0.3
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	2,519,737	+/-28,473	2,519,737	(X)
Who are female	1,580,743	+/-18,828	62.7%	+/-0.4
Who are married	1,746,258	+/-26,132	69.3%	+/-0.6
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	81,572,277	+/-92,069	81,572,277	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	4,905,286	+/-39,495	6.0%	+/-0.1
Kindergarten	4,104,332	+/-27,736	5.0%	+/-0.1
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	32,848,290	+/-51,710	40.3%	+/-0.1
High school (grades 9-12)	17,108,087	+/-44,598	21.0%	+/-0.1
College or graduate school	22,606,282	+/-71,865	27.7%	+/-0.1
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	218,475,480	+/-68,613	218,475,480	(X)
Less than 9th grade	11,692,904	+/-70,085	5.4%	+/-0.1
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	15,719,330	+/-79,519	7.2%	+/-0.1
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	59,373,780	+/-130,713	27.2%	+/-0.1
Some college, no degree	45,095,348	+/-96,047	20.6%	+/-0.1
Associate's degree	18,259,841	+/-71,604	8.4%	+/-0.1
Bachelor's degree	42,242,395	+/-121,833	19.3%	+/-0.1
Graduate or professional degree	26,091,882	+/-104,114	11.9%	+/-0.1
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	87.5%	+/-0.1
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	31.3%	+/-0.1

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VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	248,478,651	+/-32,612	248,478,651	(X)
Civilian veterans	18,496,937	+/-66,959	7.4%	+/-0.1
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	318,175,867	+/-15,067	318,175,867	(X)
With a disability	40,747,411	+/-100,264	12.8%	+/-0.1
Under 18 years				
With a disability	73,503,793	+/-33,635	73,503,793	(X)
	3,131,713	+/-36,470	4.3%	+/-0.1
18 to 64 years				
With a disability	196,766,286	+/-24,275	196,766,286	(X)
	20,761,092	+/-82,027	10.6%	+/-0.1
65 years and over				
With a disability	47,905,788	+/-21,613	47,905,788	(X)
	16,854,606	+/-54,751	35.2%	+/-0.1
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	319,361,956	+/-30,974	319,361,956	(X)
Same house	272,660,098	+/-208,903	85.4%	+/-0.1
Different house in the U.S.	44,505,194	+/-201,759	13.9%	+/-0.1
Same county	26,584,001	+/-166,563	8.3%	+/-0.1
Different county	17,921,193	+/-107,941	5.6%	+/-0.1
Same state	10,368,657	+/-81,855	3.2%	+/-0.1
Different state	7,552,536	+/-73,712	2.4%	+/-0.1
Abroad	2,196,664	+/-37,386	0.7%	+/-0.1
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	323,127,515	*****	323,127,515	(X)
Native	279,388,170	+/-129,845	86.5%	+/-0.1
Born in United States	274,384,971	+/-128,741	84.9%	+/-0.1
State of residence	188,468,321	+/-161,055	58.3%	+/-0.1
Different state	85,916,650	+/-157,879	26.6%	+/-0.1
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	5,003,199	+/-40,393	1.5%	+/-0.1
Foreign born	43,739,345	+/-129,849	13.5%	+/-0.1
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	43,739,345	+/-129,849	43,739,345	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	21,238,372	+/-80,462	48.6%	+/-0.2
Not a U.S. citizen	22,500,973	+/-129,193	51.4%	+/-0.2
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	48,742,544	+/-128,744	48,742,544	(X)
Native				
Entered 2010 or later	5,003,199	+/-40,393	5,003,199	(X)
Entered before 2010	912,019	+/-21,200	18.2%	+/-0.4
	4,091,180	+/-35,254	81.8%	+/-0.4
Foreign born				
Entered 2010 or later	43,739,345	+/-129,849	43,739,345	(X)
Entered before 2010	8,125,514	+/-62,897	18.6%	+/-0.1
	35,613,831	+/-108,102	81.4%	+/-0.1
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	43,738,901	+/-129,852	43,738,901	(X)
Europe	4,785,267	+/-36,512	10.9%	+/-0.1
Asia	13,461,081	+/-52,769	30.8%	+/-0.1

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Africa	2,141,197	+/-36,769	4.9%	+/-0.1
Oceania	265,863	+/-9,684	0.6%	+/-0.1
Latin America	22,294,730	+/-99,070	51.0%	+/-0.1
Northern America	790,763	+/-14,624	1.8%	+/-0.1
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	303,328,961	+/-21,564	303,328,961	(X)
English only	237,810,023	+/-162,504	78.4%	+/-0.1
Language other than English	65,518,938	+/-154,156	21.6%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	26,072,683	+/-117,659	8.6%	+/-0.1
Spanish	40,489,813	+/-106,762	13.3%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	16,590,392	+/-87,904	5.5%	+/-0.1
Other Indo-European languages	11,090,060	+/-86,378	3.7%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	3,476,086	+/-46,153	1.1%	+/-0.1
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	10,604,324	+/-63,476	3.5%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	4,971,907	+/-47,010	1.6%	+/-0.1
Other languages	3,334,741	+/-49,897	1.1%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	1,034,298	+/-24,910	0.3%	+/-0.1
ANCESTRY				
Total population	323,127,515	*****	323,127,515	(X)
American	20,151,829	+/-112,100	6.2%	+/-0.1
Arab	2,032,892	+/-44,267	0.6%	+/-0.1
Czech	1,412,051	+/-22,079	0.4%	+/-0.1
Danish	1,295,169	+/-22,160	0.4%	+/-0.1
Dutch	4,044,507	+/-37,864	1.3%	+/-0.1
English	23,835,787	+/-94,377	7.4%	+/-0.1
French (except Basque)	7,962,052	+/-73,287	2.5%	+/-0.1
French Canadian	2,120,016	+/-32,598	0.7%	+/-0.1
German	44,754,050	+/-105,499	13.9%	+/-0.1
Greek	1,278,174	+/-27,658	0.4%	+/-0.1
Hungarian	1,424,423	+/-25,031	0.4%	+/-0.1
Irish	32,304,175	+/-112,639	10.0%	+/-0.1
Italian	16,896,518	+/-96,796	5.2%	+/-0.1
Lithuanian	635,409	+/-14,718	0.2%	+/-0.1
Norwegian	4,421,962	+/-36,981	1.4%	+/-0.1
Polish	9,258,128	+/-64,443	2.9%	+/-0.1
Portuguese	1,375,288	+/-27,263	0.4%	+/-0.1
Russian	2,754,205	+/-35,789	0.9%	+/-0.1
Scotch-Irish	3,212,692	+/-39,072	1.0%	+/-0.1
Scottish	5,658,914	+/-53,093	1.8%	+/-0.1
Slovak	687,243	+/-15,043	0.2%	+/-0.1
Subsaharan African	3,557,902	+/-64,600	1.1%	+/-0.1
Swedish	3,867,110	+/-36,970	1.2%	+/-0.1
Swiss	957,460	+/-18,714	0.3%	+/-0.1
Ukrainian	1,028,492	+/-21,870	0.3%	+/-0.1
Welsh	1,898,884	+/-29,965	0.6%	+/-0.1
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	3,019,686	+/-47,108	0.9%	+/-0.1
COMPUTERS AND INTERNET USE				
Total households	118,860,065	+/-154,606	118,860,065	(X)
With a computer	106,118,106	+/-176,492	89.3%	+/-0.1
With a broadband Internet subscription	96,796,746	+/-216,059	81.4%	+/-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.

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.

While the 2016 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the February 2013 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 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, 2016 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.
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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.
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.