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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

2006-2010 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, for 2010, the 2010 Census provides the official counts of the population and housing units for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns. For 2006 to 2009, the Population Estimates Program provides intercensal estimates of the population for the nation, states, and counties.

Subject	Desha County, Arkansas			
	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	6,354	+/-34	6,354	(X)
Occupied housing units	5,302	+/-209	83.4%	+/-3.2
Vacant housing units	1,052	+/-202	16.6%	+/-3.2
Homeowner vacancy rate	2.4	+/-1.5	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	9.1	+/-4.7	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	6,354	+/-34	6,354	(X)
1-unit, detached	4,421	+/-224	69.6%	+/-3.5
1-unit, attached	58	+/-53	0.9%	+/-0.8
2 units	290	+/-109	4.6%	+/-1.7
3 or 4 units	524	+/-145	8.2%	+/-2.3
5 to 9 units	163	+/-77	2.6%	+/-1.2
10 to 19 units	80	+/-52	1.3%	+/-0.8
20 or more units	34	+/-31	0.5%	+/-0.5
Mobile home	784	+/-162	12.3%	+/-2.5
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.5
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	6,354	+/-34	6,354	(X)
Built 2005 or later	46	+/-32	0.7%	+/-0.5
Built 2000 to 2004	137	+/-63	2.2%	+/-1.0
Built 1990 to 1999	831	+/-149	13.1%	+/-2.3
Built 1980 to 1989	1,071	+/-229	16.9%	+/-3.6
Built 1970 to 1979	1,641	+/-224	25.8%	+/-3.5
Built 1960 to 1969	1,060	+/-183	16.7%	+/-2.9
Built 1950 to 1959	500	+/-120	7.9%	+/-1.9
Built 1940 to 1949	362	+/-100	5.7%	+/-1.6
Built 1939 or earlier	706	+/-165	11.1%	+/-2.6
ROOMS				
Total housing units	6,354	+/-34	6,354	(X)
1 room	16	+/-22	0.3%	+/-0.3
2 rooms	183	+/-86	2.9%	+/-1.4
3 rooms	409	+/-140	6.4%	+/-2.2
4 rooms	1,436	+/-197	22.6%	+/-3.1

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5 rooms	1,905	+/-230	30.0%	+/-3.6
6 rooms	1,384	+/-199	21.8%	+/-3.1
7 rooms	570	+/-140	9.0%	+/-2.2
8 rooms	224	+/-82	3.5%	+/-1.3
9 rooms or more	227	+/-108	3.6%	+/-1.7
Median rooms	5.1	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	6,354	+/-34	6,354	(X)
No bedroom	16	+/-22	0.3%	+/-0.3
1 bedroom	408	+/-124	6.4%	+/-1.9
2 bedrooms	1,959	+/-223	30.8%	+/-3.5
3 bedrooms	3,241	+/-262	51.0%	+/-4.1
4 bedrooms	569	+/-128	9.0%	+/-2.0
5 or more bedrooms	161	+/-87	2.5%	+/-1.4
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	5,302	+/-209	5,302	(X)
Owner-occupied	3,131	+/-222	59.1%	+/-3.9
Renter-occupied	2,171	+/-240	40.9%	+/-3.9
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.50	+/-0.14	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.54	+/-0.21	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	5,302	+/-209	5,302	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	1,650	+/-253	31.1%	+/-4.3
Moved in 2000 to 2004	1,231	+/-191	23.2%	+/-3.5
Moved in 1990 to 1999	1,026	+/-156	19.4%	+/-3.1
Moved in 1980 to 1989	633	+/-146	11.9%	+/-2.8
Moved in 1970 to 1979	412	+/-112	7.8%	+/-2.1
Moved in 1969 or earlier	350	+/-88	6.6%	+/-1.7
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	5,302	+/-209	5,302	(X)
No vehicles available	650	+/-141	12.3%	+/-2.6
1 vehicle available	2,193	+/-231	41.4%	+/-3.8
2 vehicles available	1,660	+/-214	31.3%	+/-4.0
3 or more vehicles available	799	+/-139	15.1%	+/-2.6
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	5,302	+/-209	5,302	(X)
Utility gas	2,063	+/-204	38.9%	+/-3.7
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	602	+/-130	11.4%	+/-2.4
Electricity	2,483	+/-238	46.8%	+/-4.0
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.6
Coal or coke	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.6
Wood	110	+/-57	2.1%	+/-1.1
Solar energy	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.6
Other fuel	44	+/-40	0.8%	+/-0.7
No fuel used	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.6
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	5,302	+/-209	5,302	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	23	+/-25	0.4%	+/-0.5
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	47	+/-56	0.9%	+/-1.0
No telephone service available	471	+/-164	8.9%	+/-3.0
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	5,302	+/-209	5,302	(X)
1.00 or less	5,229	+/-212	98.6%	+/-0.7
1.01 to 1.50	41	+/-26	0.8%	+/-0.5
1.51 or more	32	+/-29	0.6%	+/-0.5
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	3,131	+/-222	3,131	(X)
Less than \$50,000	1,365	+/-188	43.6%	+/-5.6

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\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,227	+/-201	39.2%	+/-5.4
\$100,000 to \$149,999	384	+/-106	12.3%	+/-3.4
\$150,000 to \$199,999	67	+/-47	2.1%	+/-1.5
\$200,000 to \$299,999	44	+/-38	1.4%	+/-1.2
\$300,000 to \$499,999	9	+/-14	0.3%	+/-0.5
\$500,000 to \$999,999	35	+/-37	1.1%	+/-1.2
\$1,000,000 or more	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-1.0
Median (dollars)	55,500	+/-4,273	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	3,131	+/-222	3,131	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	1,474	+/-183	47.1%	+/-4.9
Housing units without a mortgage	1,657	+/-199	52.9%	+/-4.9
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	1,474	+/-183	1,474	(X)
Less than \$300	13	+/-21	0.9%	+/-1.4
\$300 to \$499	79	+/-47	5.4%	+/-3.1
\$500 to \$699	317	+/-127	21.5%	+/-7.9
\$700 to \$999	710	+/-162	48.2%	+/-8.5
\$1,000 to \$1,499	279	+/-103	18.9%	+/-6.9
\$1,500 to \$1,999	76	+/-58	5.2%	+/-3.8
\$2,000 or more	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-2.2
Median (dollars)	820	+/-40	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	1,657	+/-199	1,657	(X)
Less than \$100	42	+/-47	2.5%	+/-2.8
\$100 to \$199	197	+/-71	11.9%	+/-4.0
\$200 to \$299	442	+/-124	26.7%	+/-6.8
\$300 to \$399	452	+/-111	27.3%	+/-5.7
\$400 or more	524	+/-113	31.6%	+/-5.8
Median (dollars)	327	+/-20	(X)	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAP1)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP1 cannot be computed)	1,474	+/-183	1,474	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	776	+/-146	52.6%	+/-7.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	203	+/-96	13.8%	+/-5.8
25.0 to 29.9 percent	175	+/-78	11.9%	+/-5.3
30.0 to 34.9 percent	85	+/-44	5.8%	+/-3.1
35.0 percent or more	235	+/-90	15.9%	+/-5.7
Not computed	0	+/-119	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP1 cannot be computed)	1,654	+/-198	1,654	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	641	+/-142	38.8%	+/-6.9
10.0 to 14.9 percent	346	+/-93	20.9%	+/-5.2
15.0 to 19.9 percent	192	+/-77	11.6%	+/-4.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	92	+/-47	5.6%	+/-2.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	89	+/-55	5.4%	+/-3.2
30.0 to 34.9 percent	71	+/-44	4.3%	+/-2.5
35.0 percent or more	223	+/-73	13.5%	+/-4.2
Not computed	3	+/-5	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	1,654	+/-240	1,654	(X)
Less than \$200	78	+/-62	4.7%	+/-3.8
\$200 to \$299	209	+/-98	12.6%	+/-5.7
\$300 to \$499	431	+/-174	26.1%	+/-8.6
\$500 to \$749	756	+/-180	45.7%	+/-10.5
\$750 to \$999	151	+/-77	9.1%	+/-4.6
\$1,000 to \$1,499	20	+/-30	1.2%	+/-1.8
\$1,500 or more	9	+/-15	0.5%	+/-0.9
Median (dollars)	522	+/-32	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	517	+/-124	(X)	(X)

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GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	1,652	+/-240	1,652	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	157	+/-85	9.5%	+/-5.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	240	+/-110	14.5%	+/-6.2
20.0 to 24.9 percent	205	+/-95	12.4%	+/-5.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	191	+/-113	11.6%	+/-6.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	190	+/-84	11.5%	+/-5.0
35.0 percent or more	669	+/-143	40.5%	+/-6.8
Not computed	519	+/-123	(X)	(X)

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.

The median gross rent excludes no cash renters.

In prior years, the universe included all owner-occupied units with a mortgage. It is now restricted to include only those units where SMOCAPI is computed, that is, SMOC and household income are valid values.

In prior years, the universe included all owner-occupied units without a mortgage. It is now restricted to include only those units where SMOCAPI is computed, that is, SMOC and household income are valid values.

In prior years, the universe included all renter-occupied units. It is now restricted to include only those units where GRAPI is computed, that is, gross rent and household income are valid values.

The 2009 and 2010 plumbing data for Puerto Rico will not be shown. Research indicates that the questions on plumbing facilities that were introduced in 2008 in the stateside American Community Survey and the 2008 Puerto Rico Community Survey may not have been appropriate for Puerto Rico.

While the 2006-2010 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, 2006-2010 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 'l' 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.

