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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	Van Buren County, Arkansas			
	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	10,191	+/-59	10,191	(X)
Occupied housing units	7,065	+/-363	69.3%	+/-3.6
Vacant housing units	3,126	+/-363	30.7%	+/-3.6
Homeowner vacancy rate	4.5	+/-2.3	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	6.5	+/-4.3	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	10,191	+/-59	10,191	(X)
1-unit, detached	6,700	+/-370	65.7%	+/-3.5
1-unit, attached	66	+/-37	0.6%	+/-0.4
2 units	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.3
3 or 4 units	369	+/-141	3.6%	+/-1.4
5 to 9 units	183	+/-101	1.8%	+/-1.0
10 to 19 units	279	+/-173	2.7%	+/-1.7
20 or more units	184	+/-133	1.8%	+/-1.3
Mobile home	2,402	+/-332	23.6%	+/-3.3
Boat, RV, van, etc.	8	+/-17	0.1%	+/-0.2
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	10,191	+/-59	10,191	(X)
Built 2005 or later	139	+/-78	1.4%	+/-0.8
Built 2000 to 2004	387	+/-131	3.8%	+/-1.3
Built 1990 to 1999	2,244	+/-285	22.0%	+/-2.8
Built 1980 to 1989	2,364	+/-308	23.2%	+/-3.0
Built 1970 to 1979	2,611	+/-357	25.6%	+/-3.5
Built 1960 to 1969	1,004	+/-220	9.9%	+/-2.1
Built 1950 to 1959	521	+/-141	5.1%	+/-1.4
Built 1940 to 1949	500	+/-162	4.9%	+/-1.6
Built 1939 or earlier	421	+/-126	4.1%	+/-1.2
ROOMS				
Total housing units	10,191	+/-59	10,191	(X)
1 room	190	+/-95	1.9%	+/-0.9
2 rooms	254	+/-111	2.5%	+/-1.1
3 rooms	891	+/-226	8.7%	+/-2.2
4 rooms	2,792	+/-350	27.4%	+/-3.4

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5 rooms	3,010	+/-370	29.5%	+/-3.6
6 rooms	1,688	+/-289	16.6%	+/-2.9
7 rooms	885	+/-193	8.7%	+/-1.9
8 rooms	259	+/-98	2.5%	+/-1.0
9 rooms or more	222	+/-82	2.2%	+/-0.8
Median rooms	4.8	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	10,191	+/-59	10,191	(X)
No bedroom	190	+/-95	1.9%	+/-0.9
1 bedroom	835	+/-216	8.2%	+/-2.1
2 bedrooms	3,916	+/-366	38.4%	+/-3.6
3 bedrooms	4,534	+/-386	44.5%	+/-3.8
4 bedrooms	618	+/-162	6.1%	+/-1.6
5 or more bedrooms	98	+/-49	1.0%	+/-0.5
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	7,065	+/-363	7,065	(X)
Owner-occupied	5,548	+/-298	78.5%	+/-3.1
Renter-occupied	1,517	+/-251	21.5%	+/-3.1
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.41	+/-0.15	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.50	+/-0.34	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	7,065	+/-363	7,065	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	1,746	+/-284	24.7%	+/-3.5
Moved in 2000 to 2004	1,470	+/-240	20.8%	+/-3.2
Moved in 1990 to 1999	2,089	+/-244	29.6%	+/-3.4
Moved in 1980 to 1989	971	+/-203	13.7%	+/-2.8
Moved in 1970 to 1979	520	+/-140	7.4%	+/-2.0
Moved in 1969 or earlier	269	+/-97	3.8%	+/-1.4
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	7,065	+/-363	7,065	(X)
No vehicles available	449	+/-130	6.4%	+/-1.8
1 vehicle available	2,394	+/-383	33.9%	+/-4.7
2 vehicles available	2,666	+/-296	37.7%	+/-4.3
3 or more vehicles available	1,556	+/-208	22.0%	+/-2.7
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	7,065	+/-363	7,065	(X)
Utility gas	887	+/-154	12.6%	+/-2.2
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	1,882	+/-307	26.6%	+/-4.1
Electricity	3,017	+/-373	42.7%	+/-4.6
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	15	+/-24	0.2%	+/-0.3
Coal or coke	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.5
Wood	1,212	+/-250	17.2%	+/-3.4
Solar energy	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.5
Other fuel	31	+/-26	0.4%	+/-0.4
No fuel used	21	+/-29	0.3%	+/-0.4
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	7,065	+/-363	7,065	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	24	+/-30	0.3%	+/-0.4
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	54	+/-44	0.8%	+/-0.6
No telephone service available	433	+/-175	6.1%	+/-2.4
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	7,065	+/-363	7,065	(X)
1.00 or less	6,816	+/-358	96.5%	+/-1.7
1.01 to 1.50	189	+/-113	2.7%	+/-1.6
1.51 or more	60	+/-58	0.8%	+/-0.8
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	5,548	+/-298	5,548	(X)
Less than \$50,000	1,634	+/-251	29.5%	+/-4.0

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	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,888	+/-252	34.0%	+/-4.3
\$100,000 to \$149,999	950	+/-225	17.1%	+/-4.1
\$150,000 to \$199,999	394	+/-138	7.1%	+/-2.4
\$200,000 to \$299,999	460	+/-145	8.3%	+/-2.5
\$300,000 to \$499,999	105	+/-54	1.9%	+/-1.0
\$500,000 to \$999,999	30	+/-29	0.5%	+/-0.5
\$1,000,000 or more	87	+/-57	1.6%	+/-1.0
Median (dollars)	79,200	+/-6,223	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	5,548	+/-298	5,548	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	2,482	+/-282	44.7%	+/-4.2
Housing units without a mortgage	3,066	+/-272	55.3%	+/-4.2
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	2,482	+/-282	2,482	(X)
Less than \$300	49	+/-48	2.0%	+/-1.9
\$300 to \$499	127	+/-67	5.1%	+/-2.6
\$500 to \$699	818	+/-193	33.0%	+/-6.9
\$700 to \$999	719	+/-169	29.0%	+/-5.5
\$1,000 to \$1,499	547	+/-147	22.0%	+/-5.5
\$1,500 to \$1,999	199	+/-102	8.0%	+/-4.1
\$2,000 or more	23	+/-29	0.9%	+/-1.1
Median (dollars)	769	+/-41	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	3,066	+/-272	3,066	(X)
Less than \$100	107	+/-77	3.5%	+/-2.5
\$100 to \$199	695	+/-160	22.7%	+/-4.8
\$200 to \$299	875	+/-193	28.5%	+/-5.8
\$300 to \$399	815	+/-203	26.6%	+/-5.8
\$400 or more	574	+/-145	18.7%	+/-4.8
Median (dollars)	282	+/-22	(X)	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAP I)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP I cannot be computed)	2,482	+/-282	2,482	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	1,003	+/-175	40.4%	+/-6.0
20.0 to 24.9 percent	376	+/-140	15.1%	+/-5.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	292	+/-115	11.8%	+/-4.3
30.0 to 34.9 percent	181	+/-104	7.3%	+/-4.1
35.0 percent or more	630	+/-185	25.4%	+/-6.5
Not computed	0	+/-119	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP I cannot be computed)	3,017	+/-270	3,017	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	1,418	+/-232	47.0%	+/-5.6
10.0 to 14.9 percent	602	+/-160	20.0%	+/-5.3
15.0 to 19.9 percent	322	+/-105	10.7%	+/-3.3
20.0 to 24.9 percent	217	+/-82	7.2%	+/-2.8
25.0 to 29.9 percent	108	+/-77	3.6%	+/-2.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	45	+/-29	1.5%	+/-1.0
35.0 percent or more	305	+/-127	10.1%	+/-4.1
Not computed	49	+/-36	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	987	+/-205	987	(X)
Less than \$200	69	+/-46	7.0%	+/-4.6
\$200 to \$299	44	+/-33	4.5%	+/-3.5
\$300 to \$499	356	+/-157	36.1%	+/-12.5
\$500 to \$749	385	+/-132	39.0%	+/-11.7
\$750 to \$999	128	+/-72	13.0%	+/-6.9
\$1,000 to \$1,499	5	+/-8	0.5%	+/-0.8
\$1,500 or more	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-3.2
Median (dollars)	512	+/-51	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	530	+/-156	(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)	987	+/-205	987	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	117	+/-74	11.9%	+/-7.5
15.0 to 19.9 percent	75	+/-54	7.6%	+/-5.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	73	+/-55	7.4%	+/-5.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	247	+/-88	25.0%	+/-8.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	101	+/-71	10.2%	+/-6.3
35.0 percent or more	374	+/-139	37.9%	+/-10.0
Not computed	530	+/-156	(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.

