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2007-2011 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	Desha County, Arkansas			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	5,313	+/-194	5,313	(X)
Family households (families)	3,547	+/-255	66.8%	+/-3.9
With own children under 18 years	1,561	+/-167	29.4%	+/-2.7
Married-couple family	2,358	+/-202	44.4%	+/-3.8
With own children under 18 years	935	+/-124	17.6%	+/-2.3
Male householder, no wife present, family	179	+/-68	3.4%	+/-1.3
With own children under 18 years	73	+/-52	1.4%	+/-1.0
Female householder, no husband present, family	1,010	+/-188	19.0%	+/-3.3
With own children under 18 years	553	+/-122	10.4%	+/-2.1
Nonfamily households	1,766	+/-212	33.2%	+/-3.9
Householder living alone	1,660	+/-220	31.2%	+/-4.1
65 years and over	665	+/-106	12.5%	+/-1.9
Households with one or more people under 18 years	1,848	+/-191	34.8%	+/-3.0
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	1,508	+/-91	28.4%	+/-1.7
Average household size	2.45	+/-0.09	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.10	+/-0.18	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	13,011	+/-30	13,011	(X)
Householder	5,313	+/-194	40.8%	+/-1.5
Spouse	2,350	+/-219	18.1%	+/-1.7
Child	4,065	+/-253	31.2%	+/-1.9
Other relatives	1,032	+/-237	7.9%	+/-1.8
Nonrelatives	251	+/-106	1.9%	+/-0.8
Unmarried partner	177	+/-94	1.4%	+/-0.7
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	4,793	+/-74	4,793	(X)
Never married	1,418	+/-149	29.6%	+/-3.1
Now married, except separated	2,585	+/-216	53.9%	+/-4.3
Separated	111	+/-67	2.3%	+/-1.4
Widowed	215	+/-77	4.5%	+/-1.6
Divorced	464	+/-141	9.7%	+/-2.9
Females 15 years and over	5,464	+/-56	5,464	(X)
Never married	1,488	+/-179	27.2%	+/-3.2

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Now married, except separated	2,425	+/-231	44.4%	+/-4.3
Separated	174	+/-74	3.2%	+/-1.3
Widowed	847	+/-117	15.5%	+/-2.1
Divorced	530	+/-122	9.7%	+/-2.3
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	195	+/-95	195	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	97	+/-64	49.7%	+/-21.8
Per 1,000 unmarried women	60	+/-40	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	65	+/-31	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	23	+/-34	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	142	+/-74	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	6	+/-10	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	485	+/-135	485	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	339	+/-115	69.9%	+/-12.0
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	92	+/-74	19.0%	+/-12.9
1 or 2 years	88	+/-60	18.1%	+/-10.9
3 or 4 years	18	+/-27	3.7%	+/-5.6
5 or more years	141	+/-66	29.1%	+/-13.3
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	339	+/-115	339	(X)
Who are female	229	+/-78	67.6%	+/-11.6
Who are married	170	+/-76	50.1%	+/-15.5
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	3,270	+/-191	3,270	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	344	+/-114	10.5%	+/-3.1
Kindergarten	228	+/-88	7.0%	+/-2.9
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	1,453	+/-117	44.4%	+/-3.8
High school (grades 9-12)	725	+/-90	22.2%	+/-3.0
College or graduate school	520	+/-135	15.9%	+/-3.4
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	8,683	+/-74	8,683	(X)
Less than 9th grade	984	+/-154	11.3%	+/-1.8
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	1,147	+/-175	13.2%	+/-2.0
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	3,506	+/-264	40.4%	+/-3.1
Some college, no degree	1,507	+/-176	17.4%	+/-2.0
Associate's degree	375	+/-120	4.3%	+/-1.4
Bachelor's degree	798	+/-183	9.2%	+/-2.1
Graduate or professional degree	366	+/-108	4.2%	+/-1.2
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	75.5%	+/-2.5
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	13.4%	+/-2.3
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	9,652	+/-39	9,652	(X)
Civilian veterans	845	+/-134	8.8%	+/-1.4
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Under 18 years	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
65 years and over	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	12,916	+/-84	12,916	(X)
Same house	10,923	+/-404	84.6%	+/-3.0

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Different house in the U.S.	1,873	+/-390	14.5%	+/-3.0
Same county	1,314	+/-352	10.2%	+/-2.7
Different county	559	+/-195	4.3%	+/-1.5
Same state	407	+/-162	3.2%	+/-1.3
Different state	152	+/-95	1.2%	+/-0.7
Abroad	120	+/-75	0.9%	+/-0.6
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	13,131	*****	13,131	(X)
Native	12,847	+/-55	97.8%	+/-0.4
Born in United States	12,835	+/-56	97.7%	+/-0.4
State of residence	10,825	+/-319	82.4%	+/-2.4
Different state	2,010	+/-310	15.3%	+/-2.4
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	12	+/-18	0.1%	+/-0.1
Foreign born	284	+/-55	2.2%	+/-0.4
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	284	+/-55	284	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	48	+/-45	16.9%	+/-14.5
Not a U.S. citizen	236	+/-54	83.1%	+/-14.5
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	296	+/-56	296	(X)
Native	12	+/-18	12	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	4	+/-9	33.3%	+/-47.1
Entered before 2000	8	+/-13	66.7%	+/-47.1
Foreign born	284	+/-55	284	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	56	+/-55	19.7%	+/-19.1
Entered before 2000	228	+/-69	80.3%	+/-19.1
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	284	+/-55	284	(X)
Europe	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-10.8
Asia	1	+/-3	0.4%	+/-1.0
Africa	14	+/-26	4.9%	+/-8.3
Oceania	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-10.8
Latin America	259	+/-41	91.2%	+/-9.4
Northern America	10	+/-16	3.5%	+/-5.2
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	12,112	+/-55	12,112	(X)
English only	11,693	+/-75	96.5%	+/-0.7
Language other than English	419	+/-92	3.5%	+/-0.7
Speak English less than "very well"	277	+/-46	2.3%	+/-0.4
Spanish	373	+/-76	3.1%	+/-0.6
Speak English less than "very well"	266	+/-44	2.2%	+/-0.4
Other Indo-European languages	7	+/-13	0.1%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.3
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	28	+/-47	0.2%	+/-0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	7	+/-13	0.1%	+/-0.1
Other languages	11	+/-12	0.1%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	4	+/-5	0.0%	+/-0.1
ANCESTRY				
Total population	13,131	*****	13,131	(X)
American	1,129	+/-265	8.6%	+/-2.0
Arab	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
Czech	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
Danish	11	+/-12	0.1%	+/-0.1
Dutch	204	+/-113	1.6%	+/-0.9
English	1,466	+/-310	11.2%	+/-2.4
French (except Basque)	247	+/-201	1.9%	+/-1.5
French Canadian	9	+/-15	0.1%	+/-0.1
German	630	+/-223	4.8%	+/-1.7

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Greek	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
Hungarian	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
Irish	793	+/-260	6.0%	+/-2.0
Italian	131	+/-95	1.0%	+/-0.7
Lithuanian	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
Norwegian	40	+/-29	0.3%	+/-0.2
Polish	12	+/-19	0.1%	+/-0.1
Portuguese	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
Russian	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
Scotch-Irish	177	+/-107	1.3%	+/-0.8
Scottish	65	+/-49	0.5%	+/-0.4
Slovak	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
Subsaharan African	118	+/-81	0.9%	+/-0.6
Swedish	25	+/-39	0.2%	+/-0.3
Swiss	17	+/-28	0.1%	+/-0.2
Ukrainian	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
Welsh	0	+/-89	0.0%	+/-0.2
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	13	+/-22	0.1%	+/-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.

While the 2007-2011 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, 2007-2011 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.
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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.