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2008-2012 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	Arkansas			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
<b>HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE</b>				
Total households	1,128,797	+/-4,114	1,128,797	(X)
Family households (families)	765,068	+/-4,284	67.8%	+/-0.3
With own children under 18 years	323,980	+/-3,400	28.7%	+/-0.3
Married-couple family	563,501	+/-4,760	49.9%	+/-0.3
With own children under 18 years	210,690	+/-3,524	18.7%	+/-0.3
Male householder, no wife present, family	49,436	+/-1,625	4.4%	+/-0.1
With own children under 18 years	23,821	+/-1,040	2.1%	+/-0.1
Female householder, no husband present, family	152,131	+/-2,132	13.5%	+/-0.2
With own children under 18 years	89,469	+/-1,776	7.9%	+/-0.2
Nonfamily households	363,729	+/-3,438	32.2%	+/-0.3
Householder living alone	311,434	+/-3,283	27.6%	+/-0.3
65 years and over	115,953	+/-2,274	10.3%	+/-0.2
Households with one or more people under 18 years	368,666	+/-3,501	32.7%	+/-0.3
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	296,466	+/-1,673	26.3%	+/-0.1
Average household size	2.51	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.07	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>				
Population in households	2,836,093	*****	2,836,093	(X)
Householder	1,128,797	+/-4,114	39.8%	+/-0.1
Spouse	563,005	+/-4,865	19.9%	+/-0.2
Child	832,795	+/-4,568	29.4%	+/-0.2
Other relatives	186,873	+/-4,653	6.6%	+/-0.2
Nonrelatives	124,623	+/-3,885	4.4%	+/-0.1
Unmarried partner	50,460	+/-1,467	1.8%	+/-0.1
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>				
Males 15 years and over	1,128,872	+/-787	1,128,872	(X)
Never married	330,745	+/-3,312	29.3%	+/-0.3
Now married, except separated	607,327	+/-4,369	53.8%	+/-0.4
Separated	23,395	+/-1,197	2.1%	+/-0.1
Widowed	33,244	+/-1,080	2.9%	+/-0.1

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Divorced	134,161	+/-2,403	11.9%	+/-0.2
Females 15 years and over	1,196,690	+/-735	1,196,690	(X)
Never married	276,122	+/-2,735	23.1%	+/-0.2
Now married, except separated	592,798	+/-4,210	49.5%	+/-0.4
Separated	33,631	+/-1,497	2.8%	+/-0.1
Widowed	131,026	+/-1,813	10.9%	+/-0.2
Divorced	163,113	+/-2,793	13.6%	+/-0.2
<b>FERTILITY</b>				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	39,227	+/-1,314	39,227	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	14,746	+/-878	37.6%	+/-1.8
Per 1,000 unmarried women	42	+/-2	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	56	+/-2	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	34	+/-4	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	108	+/-4	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	15	+/-2	(X)	(X)
<b>GRANDPARENTS</b>				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	68,924	+/-2,101	68,924	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	39,494	+/-1,587	57.3%	+/-1.4
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	8,970	+/-929	13.0%	+/-1.2
1 or 2 years	9,162	+/-830	13.3%	+/-1.2
3 or 4 years	6,138	+/-669	8.9%	+/-0.9
5 or more years	15,224	+/-822	22.1%	+/-1.1
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	39,494	+/-1,587	39,494	(X)
Who are female	24,712	+/-975	62.6%	+/-1.1
Who are married	28,258	+/-1,483	71.6%	+/-1.8
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	745,344	+/-3,736	745,344	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	52,262	+/-1,653	7.0%	+/-0.2
Kindergarten	39,557	+/-1,429	5.3%	+/-0.2
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	312,973	+/-1,892	42.0%	+/-0.3
High school (grades 9-12)	153,653	+/-1,777	20.6%	+/-0.2
College or graduate school	186,899	+/-2,646	25.1%	+/-0.3
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>				
Population 25 years and over	1,921,039	+/-913	1,921,039	(X)
Less than 9th grade	121,478	+/-1,916	6.3%	+/-0.1
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	199,215	+/-3,381	10.4%	+/-0.2
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	674,742	+/-4,927	35.1%	+/-0.3
Some college, no degree	428,914	+/-3,869	22.3%	+/-0.2
Associate's degree	116,356	+/-2,464	6.1%	+/-0.1
Bachelor's degree	252,579	+/-3,455	13.1%	+/-0.2
Graduate or professional degree	127,755	+/-2,502	6.7%	+/-0.1
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	83.3%	+/-0.2
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	19.8%	+/-0.2
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>				
Civilian population 18 years and over	2,200,203	+/-730	2,200,203	(X)
Civilian veterans	242,151	+/-2,873	11.0%	+/-0.1

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<b>DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION</b>				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	2,862,023	+/-604	2,862,023	(X)
With a disability	479,617	+/-4,619	16.8%	+/-0.2
Under 18 years	707,308	+/-380	707,308	(X)
With a disability	40,003	+/-1,533	5.7%	+/-0.2
18 to 64 years	1,748,461	+/-1,018	1,748,461	(X)
With a disability	264,107	+/-3,896	15.1%	+/-0.2
65 years and over	406,254	+/-649	406,254	(X)
With a disability	175,507	+/-2,186	43.2%	+/-0.5
<b>RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO</b>				
Population 1 year and over	2,881,534	+/-982	2,881,534	(X)
Same house	2,392,397	+/-8,592	83.0%	+/-0.3
Different house in the U.S.	480,193	+/-8,528	16.7%	+/-0.3
Same county	296,906	+/-7,335	10.3%	+/-0.3
Different county	183,287	+/-4,490	6.4%	+/-0.2
Same state	104,575	+/-3,315	3.6%	+/-0.1
Different state	78,712	+/-3,222	2.7%	+/-0.1
Abroad	8,944	+/-1,009	0.3%	+/-0.1
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>				
Total population	2,916,372	*****	2,916,372	(X)
Native	2,787,223	+/-2,349	95.6%	+/-0.1
Born in United States	2,768,804	+/-2,618	94.9%	+/-0.1
State of residence	1,784,576	+/-5,417	61.2%	+/-0.2
Different state	984,228	+/-5,813	33.7%	+/-0.2
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	18,419	+/-1,314	0.6%	+/-0.1
Foreign born	129,149	+/-2,349	4.4%	+/-0.1
<b>U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS</b>				
Foreign-born population	129,149	+/-2,349	129,149	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	37,967	+/-1,683	29.4%	+/-1.3
Not a U.S. citizen	91,182	+/-2,587	70.6%	+/-1.3
<b>YEAR OF ENTRY</b>				
Population born outside the United States	147,568	+/-2,618	147,568	(X)
Native	18,419	+/-1,314	18,419	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	509	+/-201	2.8%	+/-1.0
Entered before 2010	17,910	+/-1,252	97.2%	+/-1.0
Foreign born	129,149	+/-2,349	129,149	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	5,089	+/-715	3.9%	+/-0.6
Entered before 2010	124,060	+/-2,422	96.1%	+/-0.6
<b>WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN</b>				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	129,149	+/-2,349	129,149	(X)
Europe	10,591	+/-839	8.2%	+/-0.6
Asia	27,017	+/-1,068	20.9%	+/-0.8
Africa	1,934	+/-408	1.5%	+/-0.3
Oceania	3,484	+/-380	2.7%	+/-0.3
Latin America	83,884	+/-2,058	65.0%	+/-1.0
Northern America	2,239	+/-343	1.7%	+/-0.3

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<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME</b>				
Population 5 years and over	2,719,637	+/-485	2,719,637	(X)
English only	2,527,232	+/-2,935	92.9%	+/-0.1
Language other than English	192,405	+/-2,871	7.1%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	88,468	+/-2,524	3.3%	+/-0.1
Spanish	141,370	+/-2,367	5.2%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	69,779	+/-2,438	2.6%	+/-0.1
Other Indo-European languages	21,383	+/-1,277	0.8%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	4,754	+/-604	0.2%	+/-0.1
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	25,163	+/-1,175	0.9%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	12,769	+/-775	0.5%	+/-0.1
Other languages	4,489	+/-898	0.2%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	1,166	+/-301	0.0%	+/-0.1
<b>ANCESTRY</b>				
Total population	2,916,372	*****	2,916,372	(X)
American	321,053	+/-6,461	11.0%	+/-0.2
Arab	5,535	+/-947	0.2%	+/-0.1
Czech	7,315	+/-749	0.3%	+/-0.1
Danish	5,376	+/-621	0.2%	+/-0.1
Dutch	48,402	+/-2,042	1.7%	+/-0.1
English	293,634	+/-5,472	10.1%	+/-0.2
French (except Basque)	61,149	+/-2,434	2.1%	+/-0.1
French Canadian	5,826	+/-687	0.2%	+/-0.1
German	336,126	+/-4,905	11.5%	+/-0.2
Greek	3,466	+/-626	0.1%	+/-0.1
Hungarian	3,591	+/-640	0.1%	+/-0.1
Irish	358,795	+/-5,795	12.3%	+/-0.2
Italian	46,901	+/-2,159	1.6%	+/-0.1
Lithuanian	1,466	+/-368	0.1%	+/-0.1
Norwegian	13,322	+/-938	0.5%	+/-0.1
Polish	24,767	+/-1,611	0.8%	+/-0.1
Portuguese	2,697	+/-392	0.1%	+/-0.1
Russian	4,707	+/-633	0.2%	+/-0.1
Scotch-Irish	40,494	+/-1,708	1.4%	+/-0.1
Scottish	50,875	+/-1,979	1.7%	+/-0.1
Slovak	986	+/-233	0.0%	+/-0.1
Subsaharan African	8,405	+/-918	0.3%	+/-0.1
Swedish	17,651	+/-1,197	0.6%	+/-0.1
Swiss	6,030	+/-710	0.2%	+/-0.1
Ukrainian	1,543	+/-351	0.1%	+/-0.1
Welsh	12,804	+/-1,087	0.4%	+/-0.1
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	4,247	+/-609	0.1%	+/-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.

Fertility data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with data collection. See Errata Note #92 for details.

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.

While the 2008-2012 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, 2008-2012 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.
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.