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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

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	Desha County, Arkansas			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	6,289	+/-23	6,289	(X)
Occupied housing units	5,324	+/-174	84.7%	+/-2.8
Vacant housing units	965	+/-175	15.3%	+/-2.8
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.8	+/-1.6	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	8.8	+/-4.3	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	6,289	+/-23	6,289	(X)
1-unit, detached	4,278	+/-186	68.0%	+/-2.9
1-unit, attached	31	+/-32	0.5%	+/-0.5
2 units	490	+/-126	7.8%	+/-2.0
3 or 4 units	461	+/-137	7.3%	+/-2.2
5 to 9 units	160	+/-69	2.5%	+/-1.1
10 to 19 units	57	+/-44	0.9%	+/-0.7
20 or more units	60	+/-48	1.0%	+/-0.8
Mobile home	752	+/-133	12.0%	+/-2.1
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.5
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	6,289	+/-23	6,289	(X)
Built 2010 or later	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.5
Built 2000 to 2009	256	+/-81	4.1%	+/-1.3
Built 1990 to 1999	781	+/-167	12.4%	+/-2.7
Built 1980 to 1989	996	+/-171	15.8%	+/-2.7
Built 1970 to 1979	1,779	+/-194	28.3%	+/-3.1
Built 1960 to 1969	997	+/-184	15.9%	+/-2.9
Built 1950 to 1959	571	+/-126	9.1%	+/-2.0
Built 1940 to 1949	242	+/-85	3.8%	+/-1.4
Built 1939 or earlier	667	+/-148	10.6%	+/-2.4
ROOMS				
Total housing units	6,289	+/-23	6,289	(X)
1 room	54	+/-44	0.9%	+/-0.7
2 rooms	227	+/-92	3.6%	+/-1.5

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3 rooms	412	+/-136	6.6%	+/-2.2
4 rooms	1,235	+/-174	19.6%	+/-2.8
5 rooms	1,682	+/-202	26.7%	+/-3.2
6 rooms	1,419	+/-190	22.6%	+/-3.0
7 rooms	691	+/-138	11.0%	+/-2.2
8 rooms	294	+/-70	4.7%	+/-1.1
9 rooms or more	275	+/-115	4.4%	+/-1.8
Median rooms	5.2	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	6,289	+/-23	6,289	(X)
No bedroom	54	+/-44	0.9%	+/-0.7
1 bedroom	545	+/-143	8.7%	+/-2.3
2 bedrooms	1,726	+/-194	27.4%	+/-3.1
3 bedrooms	3,149	+/-236	50.1%	+/-3.8
4 bedrooms	678	+/-162	10.8%	+/-2.6
5 or more bedrooms	137	+/-92	2.2%	+/-1.5
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	5,324	+/-174	5,324	(X)
Owner-occupied	3,011	+/-228	56.6%	+/-3.8
Renter-occupied	2,313	+/-214	43.4%	+/-3.8
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.46	+/-0.12	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.33	+/-0.16	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	5,324	+/-174	5,324	(X)
Moved in 2010 or later	469	+/-135	8.8%	+/-2.6
Moved in 2000 to 2009	2,803	+/-254	52.6%	+/-4.2
Moved in 1990 to 1999	781	+/-153	14.7%	+/-2.9
Moved in 1980 to 1989	541	+/-117	10.2%	+/-2.2
Moved in 1970 to 1979	384	+/-80	7.2%	+/-1.5
Moved in 1969 or earlier	346	+/-72	6.5%	+/-1.4
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	5,324	+/-174	5,324	(X)
No vehicles available	744	+/-160	14.0%	+/-2.9
1 vehicle available	1,999	+/-245	37.5%	+/-4.7
2 vehicles available	1,755	+/-208	33.0%	+/-3.7
3 or more vehicles available	826	+/-141	15.5%	+/-2.5
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	5,324	+/-174	5,324	(X)
Utility gas	2,267	+/-224	42.6%	+/-3.8
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	518	+/-106	9.7%	+/-2.0
Electricity	2,371	+/-203	44.5%	+/-3.7
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	11	+/-12	0.2%	+/-0.2
Coal or coke	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.6
Wood	94	+/-64	1.8%	+/-1.2
Solar energy	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.6
Other fuel	52	+/-41	1.0%	+/-0.8
No fuel used	11	+/-17	0.2%	+/-0.3
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	5,324	+/-174	5,324	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	29	+/-34	0.5%	+/-0.6
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	41	+/-38	0.8%	+/-0.7
No telephone service available	416	+/-153	7.8%	+/-2.9

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OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	5,324	+/-174	5,324	(X)
1.00 or less	5,212	+/-179	97.9%	+/-1.1
1.01 to 1.50	78	+/-45	1.5%	+/-0.8
1.51 or more	34	+/-33	0.6%	+/-0.6
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	3,011	+/-228	3,011	(X)
Less than \$50,000	1,225	+/-180	40.7%	+/-4.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,277	+/-176	42.4%	+/-4.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	360	+/-99	12.0%	+/-3.3
\$150,000 to \$199,999	70	+/-44	2.3%	+/-1.4
\$200,000 to \$299,999	54	+/-41	1.8%	+/-1.4
\$300,000 to \$499,999	16	+/-24	0.5%	+/-0.8
\$500,000 to \$999,999	9	+/-10	0.3%	+/-0.3
\$1,000,000 or more	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-1.1
Median (dollars)	59,300	+/-4,427	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	3,011	+/-228	3,011	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	1,481	+/-186	49.2%	+/-4.5
Housing units without a mortgage	1,530	+/-167	50.8%	+/-4.5
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	1,481	+/-186	1,481	(X)
Less than \$300	1	+/-2	0.1%	+/-0.2
\$300 to \$499	91	+/-57	6.1%	+/-3.8
\$500 to \$699	330	+/-100	22.3%	+/-6.5
\$700 to \$999	548	+/-138	37.0%	+/-8.6
\$1,000 to \$1,499	436	+/-147	29.4%	+/-8.4
\$1,500 to \$1,999	75	+/-48	5.1%	+/-3.2
\$2,000 or more	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-2.2
Median (dollars)	869	+/-48	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	1,530	+/-167	1,530	(X)
Less than \$100	38	+/-34	2.5%	+/-2.2
\$100 to \$199	160	+/-72	10.5%	+/-4.5
\$200 to \$299	362	+/-101	23.7%	+/-6.1
\$300 to \$399	419	+/-88	27.4%	+/-5.2
\$400 or more	551	+/-111	36.0%	+/-6.1
Median (dollars)	341	+/-20	(X)	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAPI)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	1,481	+/-186	1,481	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	854	+/-149	57.7%	+/-7.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	155	+/-70	10.5%	+/-4.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	203	+/-98	13.7%	+/-6.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	74	+/-47	5.0%	+/-3.1
35.0 percent or more	195	+/-80	13.2%	+/-5.4
Not computed	0	+/-19	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	1,518	+/-166	1,518	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	671	+/-141	44.2%	+/-6.7
10.0 to 14.9 percent	263	+/-73	17.3%	+/-4.4
15.0 to 19.9 percent	173	+/-70	11.4%	+/-4.5

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20.0 to 24.9 percent	78	+/-47	5.1%	+/-3.2
25.0 to 29.9 percent	70	+/-38	4.6%	+/-2.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	42	+/-26	2.8%	+/-1.7
35.0 percent or more	221	+/-73	14.6%	+/-4.3
Not computed	12	+/-14	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	1,594	+/-222	1,594	(X)
Less than \$200	167	+/-100	10.5%	+/-5.8
\$200 to \$299	91	+/-56	5.7%	+/-3.5
\$300 to \$499	403	+/-120	25.3%	+/-6.9
\$500 to \$749	665	+/-154	41.7%	+/-8.1
\$750 to \$999	268	+/-83	16.8%	+/-4.7
\$1,000 to \$1,499	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-2.0
\$1,500 or more	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-2.0
Median (dollars)	531	+/-27	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	719	+/-146	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	1,555	+/-213	1,555	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	152	+/-83	9.8%	+/-5.2
15.0 to 19.9 percent	165	+/-88	10.6%	+/-5.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	126	+/-65	8.1%	+/-4.0
25.0 to 29.9 percent	190	+/-85	12.2%	+/-5.2
30.0 to 34.9 percent	149	+/-72	9.6%	+/-4.6
35.0 percent or more	773	+/-148	49.7%	+/-7.4
Not computed	758	+/-142	(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 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012 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.

Median calculations for base table sourcing VAL, MHC, SMOC, and TAX should exclude zero values.

Telephone service data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with data collection. See Errata Note #93 for details.

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.