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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	Desha County, Arkansas			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
<b>HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE</b>				
Total households	5,324	+/-174	5,324	(X)
Family households (families)	3,457	+/-238	64.9%	+/-4.2
With own children under 18 years	1,607	+/-178	30.2%	+/-3.2
Married-couple family	2,257	+/-211	42.4%	+/-3.8
With own children under 18 years	941	+/-142	17.7%	+/-2.6
Male householder, no wife present, family	154	+/-67	2.9%	+/-1.2
With own children under 18 years	38	+/-38	0.7%	+/-0.7
Female householder, no husband present, family	1,046	+/-168	19.6%	+/-3.2
With own children under 18 years	628	+/-139	11.8%	+/-2.6
Nonfamily households	1,867	+/-236	35.1%	+/-4.2
Householder living alone	1,699	+/-221	31.9%	+/-3.9
65 years and over	672	+/-119	12.6%	+/-2.2
Households with one or more people under 18 years	1,912	+/-218	35.9%	+/-3.9
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	1,488	+/-85	27.9%	+/-1.6
Average household size	2.41	+/-0.08	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.07	+/-0.16	(X)	(X)
<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>				
Population in households	12,807	+/-32	12,807	(X)
Householder	5,324	+/-174	41.6%	+/-1.3
Spouse	2,255	+/-212	17.6%	+/-1.7
Child	3,920	+/-260	30.6%	+/-2.0
Other relatives	969	+/-219	7.6%	+/-1.7
Nonrelatives	339	+/-124	2.6%	+/-1.0
Unmarried partner	232	+/-105	1.8%	+/-0.8
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>				
Males 15 years and over	4,739	+/-75	4,739	(X)
Never married	1,415	+/-194	29.9%	+/-4.0
Now married, except separated	2,461	+/-222	51.9%	+/-4.6
Separated	149	+/-71	3.1%	+/-1.5
Widowed	227	+/-87	4.8%	+/-1.8

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Divorced	487	+/-128	10.3%	+/-2.7
Females 15 years and over	5,386	+/-69	5,386	(X)
Never married	1,467	+/-172	27.2%	+/-3.1
Now married, except separated	2,298	+/-228	42.7%	+/-4.3
Separated	175	+/-78	3.2%	+/-1.5
Widowed	818	+/-99	15.2%	+/-1.8
Divorced	628	+/-129	11.7%	+/-2.4
<b>FERTILITY</b>				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	209	+/-84	209	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	97	+/-72	46.4%	+/-24.8
Per 1,000 unmarried women	59	+/-44	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	71	+/-28	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	19	+/-34	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	153	+/-67	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	9	+/-11	(X)	(X)
<b>GRANDPARENTS</b>				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	497	+/-184	497	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	380	+/-172	76.5%	+/-11.7
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	86	+/-71	17.3%	+/-13.6
1 or 2 years	80	+/-67	16.1%	+/-11.3
3 or 4 years	4	+/-11	0.8%	+/-2.2
5 or more years	210	+/-129	42.3%	+/-16.9
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	380	+/-172	380	(X)
Who are female	222	+/-94	58.4%	+/-10.6
Who are married	241	+/-146	63.4%	+/-19.1
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	3,195	+/-179	3,195	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	323	+/-98	10.1%	+/-2.9
Kindergarten	228	+/-93	7.1%	+/-3.1
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	1,411	+/-140	44.2%	+/-4.3
High school (grades 9-12)	711	+/-96	22.3%	+/-3.1
College or graduate school	522	+/-135	16.3%	+/-3.6
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>				
Population 25 years and over	8,620	+/-90	8,620	(X)
Less than 9th grade	910	+/-160	10.6%	+/-1.9
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	1,184	+/-198	13.7%	+/-2.3
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	3,423	+/-278	39.7%	+/-3.2
Some college, no degree	1,653	+/-218	19.2%	+/-2.5
Associate's degree	349	+/-107	4.0%	+/-1.2
Bachelor's degree	755	+/-154	8.8%	+/-1.8
Graduate or professional degree	346	+/-101	4.0%	+/-1.2
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	75.7%	+/-2.7
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	12.8%	+/-2.1
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>				
Civilian population 18 years and over	9,548	+/-28	9,548	(X)
Civilian veterans	808	+/-127	8.5%	+/-1.3

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<b>DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION</b>				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	12,796	+/-37	12,796	(X)
With a disability	2,640	+/-286	20.6%	+/-2.2
Under 18 years	3,352	+/-10	3,352	(X)
With a disability	166	+/-73	5.0%	+/-2.2
18 to 64 years	7,515	+/-39	7,515	(X)
With a disability	1,434	+/-247	19.1%	+/-3.3
65 years and over	1,929	+/-36	1,929	(X)
With a disability	1,040	+/-112	53.9%	+/-5.9
<b>RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO</b>				
Population 1 year and over	12,689	+/-78	12,689	(X)
Same house	11,097	+/-352	87.5%	+/-2.7
Different house in the U.S.	1,538	+/-332	12.1%	+/-2.6
Same county	1,120	+/-306	8.8%	+/-2.4
Different county	418	+/-142	3.3%	+/-1.1
Same state	318	+/-129	2.5%	+/-1.0
Different state	100	+/-57	0.8%	+/-0.5
Abroad	54	+/-43	0.4%	+/-0.3
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>				
Total population	12,922	*****	12,922	(X)
Native	12,628	+/-63	97.7%	+/-0.5
Born in United States	12,605	+/-56	97.5%	+/-0.4
State of residence	10,627	+/-294	82.2%	+/-2.3
Different state	1,978	+/-291	15.3%	+/-2.3
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	23	+/-29	0.2%	+/-0.2
Foreign born	294	+/-63	2.3%	+/-0.5
<b>U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS</b>				
Foreign-born population	294	+/-63	294	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	55	+/-59	18.7%	+/-20.1
Not a U.S. citizen	239	+/-75	81.3%	+/-20.1
<b>YEAR OF ENTRY</b>				
Population born outside the United States	317	+/-56	317	(X)
Native	23	+/-29	23	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-61.8
Entered before 2010	23	+/-29	100.0%	+/-61.8
Foreign born	294	+/-63	294	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-10.5
Entered before 2010	294	+/-63	100.0%	+/-10.5
<b>WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN</b>				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	294	+/-63	294	(X)
Europe	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-10.5
Asia	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-10.5
Africa	11	+/-18	3.7%	+/-6.2
Oceania	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-10.5
Latin America	274	+/-57	93.2%	+/-7.5
Northern America	9	+/-15	3.1%	+/-4.9

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<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME</b>				
Population 5 years and over	11,930	+/-57	11,930	(X)
English only	11,527	+/-83	96.6%	+/-0.6
Language other than English	403	+/-75	3.4%	+/-0.6
Speak English less than "very well"	285	+/-66	2.4%	+/-0.6
Spanish	361	+/-69	3.0%	+/-0.6
Speak English less than "very well"	272	+/-64	2.3%	+/-0.5
Other Indo-European languages	12	+/-14	0.1%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	6	+/-11	0.1%	+/-0.1
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	23	+/-37	0.2%	+/-0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	5	+/-9	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other languages	7	+/-7	0.1%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	2	+/-3	0.0%	+/-0.1
<b>ANCESTRY</b>				
Total population	12,922	*****	12,922	(X)
American	910	+/-176	7.0%	+/-1.4
Arab	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
Czech	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
Danish	9	+/-9	0.1%	+/-0.1
Dutch	164	+/-95	1.3%	+/-0.7
English	1,513	+/-304	11.7%	+/-2.4
French (except Basque)	226	+/-201	1.7%	+/-1.6
French Canadian	8	+/-13	0.1%	+/-0.1
German	560	+/-195	4.3%	+/-1.5
Greek	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
Hungarian	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
Irish	631	+/-182	4.9%	+/-1.4
Italian	142	+/-86	1.1%	+/-0.7
Lithuanian	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
Norwegian	38	+/-33	0.3%	+/-0.3
Polish	12	+/-17	0.1%	+/-0.1
Portuguese	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
Russian	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
Scotch-Irish	135	+/-88	1.0%	+/-0.7
Scottish	58	+/-49	0.4%	+/-0.4
Slovak	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
Subsaharan African	99	+/-58	0.8%	+/-0.4
Swedish	20	+/-31	0.2%	+/-0.2
Swiss	14	+/-23	0.1%	+/-0.2
Ukrainian	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
Welsh	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	22	+/-32	0.2%	+/-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.

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.