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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	Howard County, Arkansas			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	5,192	+/-186	5,192	(X)
Family households (families)	3,672	+/-247	70.7%	+/-3.7
With own children under 18 years	1,680	+/-206	32.4%	+/-3.4
Married-couple family	2,525	+/-217	48.6%	+/-3.8
With own children under 18 years	856	+/-157	16.5%	+/-2.9
Male householder, no wife present, family	241	+/-88	4.6%	+/-1.7
With own children under 18 years	159	+/-84	3.1%	+/-1.6
Female householder, no husband present, family	906	+/-156	17.4%	+/-2.9
With own children under 18 years	665	+/-132	12.8%	+/-2.4
Nonfamily households	1,520	+/-196	29.3%	+/-3.7
Householder living alone	1,348	+/-179	26.0%	+/-3.4
65 years and over	624	+/-120	12.0%	+/-2.2
Households with one or more people under 18 years	1,888	+/-192	36.4%	+/-3.1
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	1,414	+/-100	27.2%	+/-1.8
Average household size	2.61	+/-0.09	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.15	+/-0.17	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	13,574	+/-90	13,574	(X)
Householder	5,192	+/-186	38.2%	+/-1.3
Spouse	2,529	+/-213	18.6%	+/-1.6
Child	4,442	+/-267	32.7%	+/-2.0
Other relatives	940	+/-242	6.9%	+/-1.8
Nonrelatives	471	+/-177	3.5%	+/-1.3
Unmarried partner	261	+/-97	1.9%	+/-0.7
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	5,065	+/-37	5,065	(X)
Never married	1,514	+/-167	29.9%	+/-3.2
Now married, except separated	2,605	+/-226	51.4%	+/-4.4
Separated	93	+/-54	1.8%	+/-1.1
Widowed	263	+/-93	5.2%	+/-1.8

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Divorced	590	+/-142	11.6%	+/-2.8
Females 15 years and over	5,689	+/-43	5,689	(X)
Never married	1,315	+/-183	23.1%	+/-3.2
Now married, except separated	2,749	+/-234	48.3%	+/-4.1
Separated	218	+/-112	3.8%	+/-2.0
Widowed	644	+/-106	11.3%	+/-1.9
Divorced	763	+/-127	13.4%	+/-2.2
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	137	+/-58	137	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	69	+/-59	50.4%	+/-32.8
Per 1,000 unmarried women	42	+/-36	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	41	+/-18	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	0	+/-75	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	54	+/-31	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	42	+/-30	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	508	+/-177	508	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	305	+/-157	60.0%	+/-20.2
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	78	+/-101	15.4%	+/-17.4
1 or 2 years	55	+/-49	10.8%	+/-9.9
3 or 4 years	61	+/-52	12.0%	+/-11.5
5 or more years	111	+/-89	21.9%	+/-14.8
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	305	+/-157	305	(X)
Who are female	184	+/-91	60.3%	+/-9.9
Who are married	244	+/-148	80.0%	+/-14.8
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	3,401	+/-214	3,401	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	347	+/-102	10.2%	+/-2.9
Kindergarten	328	+/-112	9.6%	+/-3.2
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	1,382	+/-126	40.6%	+/-4.2
High school (grades 9-12)	706	+/-105	20.8%	+/-3.1
College or graduate school	638	+/-154	18.8%	+/-3.8
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	9,017	+/-93	9,017	(X)
Less than 9th grade	573	+/-148	6.4%	+/-1.6
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	1,591	+/-222	17.6%	+/-2.5
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	3,567	+/-284	39.6%	+/-3.2
Some college, no degree	1,933	+/-255	21.4%	+/-2.8
Associate's degree	337	+/-79	3.7%	+/-0.9
Bachelor's degree	578	+/-144	6.4%	+/-1.6
Graduate or professional degree	438	+/-116	4.9%	+/-1.3
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	76.0%	+/-2.6
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	11.3%	+/-2.2
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	10,160	+/-25	10,160	(X)
Civilian veterans	843	+/-138	8.3%	+/-1.4

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DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	13,607	+/-84	13,607	(X)
With a disability	2,454	+/-293	18.0%	+/-2.2
Under 18 years	3,630	+/-25	3,630	(X)
With a disability	295	+/-105	8.1%	+/-2.9
18 to 64 years	8,024	+/-49	8,024	(X)
With a disability	1,316	+/-234	16.4%	+/-2.9
65 years and over	1,953	+/-86	1,953	(X)
With a disability	843	+/-131	43.2%	+/-6.3
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	13,644	+/-63	13,644	(X)
Same house	11,722	+/-458	85.9%	+/-3.3
Different house in the U.S.	1,880	+/-463	13.8%	+/-3.4
Same county	1,316	+/-381	9.6%	+/-2.8
Different county	564	+/-228	4.1%	+/-1.7
Same state	369	+/-162	2.7%	+/-1.2
Different state	195	+/-138	1.4%	+/-1.0
Abroad	42	+/-34	0.3%	+/-0.3
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	13,790	*****	13,790	(X)
Native	12,978	+/-150	94.1%	+/-1.1
Born in United States	12,939	+/-149	93.8%	+/-1.1
State of residence	8,515	+/-368	61.7%	+/-2.7
Different state	4,424	+/-335	32.1%	+/-2.4
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	39	+/-29	0.3%	+/-0.2
Foreign born	812	+/-150	5.9%	+/-1.1
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	812	+/-150	812	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	101	+/-65	12.4%	+/-8.4
Not a U.S. citizen	711	+/-165	87.6%	+/-8.4
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	851	+/-149	851	(X)
Native	39	+/-29	39	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-47.5
Entered before 2010	39	+/-29	100.0%	+/-47.5
Foreign born	812	+/-150	812	(X)
Entered 2010 or later	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-3.9
Entered before 2010	812	+/-150	100.0%	+/-3.9
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	812	+/-150	812	(X)
Europe	10	+/-16	1.2%	+/-2.0
Asia	17	+/-20	2.1%	+/-2.5
Africa	2	+/-5	0.2%	+/-0.6
Oceania	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-3.9
Latin America	783	+/-150	96.4%	+/-2.6
Northern America	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-3.9

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LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	12,772	+/-2	12,772	(X)
English only	11,473	+/-161	89.8%	+/-1.3
Language other than English	1,299	+/-161	10.2%	+/-1.3
Speak English less than "very well"	810	+/-178	6.3%	+/-1.4
Spanish	1,120	+/-75	8.8%	+/-0.6
Speak English less than "very well"	791	+/-173	6.2%	+/-1.4
Other Indo-European languages	169	+/-143	1.3%	+/-1.1
Speak English less than "very well"	13	+/-19	0.1%	+/-0.2
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.3
Other languages	10	+/-12	0.1%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	6	+/-10	0.0%	+/-0.1
ANCESTRY				
Total population	13,790	*****	13,790	(X)
American	1,118	+/-261	8.1%	+/-1.9
Arab	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.2
Czech	22	+/-31	0.2%	+/-0.2
Danish	17	+/-22	0.1%	+/-0.2
Dutch	242	+/-142	1.8%	+/-1.0
English	1,712	+/-346	12.4%	+/-2.5
French (except Basque)	353	+/-186	2.6%	+/-1.4
French Canadian	5	+/-8	0.0%	+/-0.1
German	1,403	+/-305	10.2%	+/-2.2
Greek	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.2
Hungarian	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.2
Irish	1,854	+/-381	13.4%	+/-2.8
Italian	96	+/-66	0.7%	+/-0.5
Lithuanian	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.2
Norwegian	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.2
Polish	15	+/-17	0.1%	+/-0.1
Portuguese	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.2
Russian	16	+/-18	0.1%	+/-0.1
Scotch-Irish	77	+/-49	0.6%	+/-0.4
Scottish	262	+/-125	1.9%	+/-0.9
Slovak	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.2
Subsaharan African	16	+/-18	0.1%	+/-0.1
Swedish	107	+/-83	0.8%	+/-0.6
Swiss	138	+/-141	1.0%	+/-1.0
Ukrainian	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.2
Welsh	46	+/-51	0.3%	+/-0.4
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	10	+/-14	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.