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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	Van Buren County, Arkansas			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	10,315	+/-46	10,315	(X)
Occupied housing units	7,080	+/-323	68.6%	+/-3.1
Vacant housing units	3,235	+/-324	31.4%	+/-3.1
Homeowner vacancy rate	4.2	+/-2.1	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	1.0	+/-1.4	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	10,315	+/-46	10,315	(X)
1-unit, detached	6,945	+/-300	67.3%	+/-2.9
1-unit, attached	67	+/-31	0.6%	+/-0.3
2 units	45	+/-41	0.4%	+/-0.4
3 or 4 units	347	+/-127	3.4%	+/-1.2
5 to 9 units	289	+/-106	2.8%	+/-1.0
10 to 19 units	235	+/-127	2.3%	+/-1.2
20 or more units	101	+/-80	1.0%	+/-0.8
Mobile home	2,231	+/-258	21.6%	+/-2.5
Boat, RV, van, etc.	55	+/-44	0.5%	+/-0.4
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	10,315	+/-46	10,315	(X)
Built 2010 or later	71	+/-41	0.7%	+/-0.4
Built 2000 to 2009	1,127	+/-221	10.9%	+/-2.1
Built 1990 to 1999	1,968	+/-263	19.1%	+/-2.6
Built 1980 to 1989	2,320	+/-283	22.5%	+/-2.7
Built 1970 to 1979	2,415	+/-281	23.4%	+/-2.7
Built 1960 to 1969	855	+/-169	8.3%	+/-1.6
Built 1950 to 1959	566	+/-122	5.5%	+/-1.2
Built 1940 to 1949	566	+/-152	5.5%	+/-1.5
Built 1939 or earlier	427	+/-132	4.1%	+/-1.3
ROOMS				
Total housing units	10,315	+/-46	10,315	(X)
1 room	266	+/-122	2.6%	+/-1.2
2 rooms	207	+/-75	2.0%	+/-0.7

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3 rooms	653	+/-189	6.3%	+/-1.8
4 rooms	2,741	+/-346	26.6%	+/-3.4
5 rooms	2,877	+/-255	27.9%	+/-2.5
6 rooms	1,975	+/-221	19.1%	+/-2.1
7 rooms	960	+/-196	9.3%	+/-1.9
8 rooms	369	+/-104	3.6%	+/-1.0
9 rooms or more	267	+/-96	2.6%	+/-0.9
Median rooms	4.9	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	10,315	+/-46	10,315	(X)
No bedroom	266	+/-122	2.6%	+/-1.2
1 bedroom	775	+/-193	7.5%	+/-1.9
2 bedrooms	3,847	+/-315	37.3%	+/-3.1
3 bedrooms	4,768	+/-307	46.2%	+/-3.0
4 bedrooms	548	+/-123	5.3%	+/-1.2
5 or more bedrooms	111	+/-58	1.1%	+/-0.6
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	7,080	+/-323	7,080	(X)
Owner-occupied	5,444	+/-270	76.9%	+/-3.1
Renter-occupied	1,636	+/-255	23.1%	+/-3.1
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.33	+/-0.13	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.61	+/-0.28	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	7,080	+/-323	7,080	(X)
Moved in 2010 or later	638	+/-158	9.0%	+/-2.1
Moved in 2000 to 2009	3,332	+/-297	47.1%	+/-3.9
Moved in 1990 to 1999	1,765	+/-241	24.9%	+/-3.1
Moved in 1980 to 1989	715	+/-147	10.1%	+/-2.0
Moved in 1970 to 1979	359	+/-98	5.1%	+/-1.4
Moved in 1969 or earlier	271	+/-74	3.8%	+/-1.1
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	7,080	+/-323	7,080	(X)
No vehicles available	423	+/-115	6.0%	+/-1.6
1 vehicle available	2,370	+/-249	33.5%	+/-3.1
2 vehicles available	2,727	+/-263	38.5%	+/-3.1
3 or more vehicles available	1,560	+/-180	22.0%	+/-2.4
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	7,080	+/-323	7,080	(X)
Utility gas	969	+/-160	13.7%	+/-2.2
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	1,518	+/-222	21.4%	+/-3.0
Electricity	3,362	+/-276	47.5%	+/-3.4
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	3	+/-5	0.0%	+/-0.1
Coal or coke	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.5
Wood	1,082	+/-213	15.3%	+/-2.8
Solar energy	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-0.5
Other fuel	131	+/-71	1.9%	+/-1.0
No fuel used	15	+/-22	0.2%	+/-0.3
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	7,080	+/-323	7,080	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	66	+/-48	0.9%	+/-0.7
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	87	+/-50	1.2%	+/-0.7
No telephone service available	140	+/-61	2.0%	+/-0.9

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	7,080	+/-323	7,080	(X)
1.00 or less	6,877	+/-304	97.1%	+/-1.7
1.01 to 1.50	133	+/-99	1.9%	+/-1.4
1.51 or more	70	+/-62	1.0%	+/-0.9
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	5,444	+/-270	5,444	(X)
Less than \$50,000	1,400	+/-201	25.7%	+/-3.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,872	+/-246	34.4%	+/-4.2
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,063	+/-209	19.5%	+/-3.7
\$150,000 to \$199,999	477	+/-99	8.8%	+/-1.8
\$200,000 to \$299,999	432	+/-120	7.9%	+/-2.1
\$300,000 to \$499,999	94	+/-47	1.7%	+/-0.9
\$500,000 to \$999,999	46	+/-37	0.8%	+/-0.7
\$1,000,000 or more	60	+/-43	1.1%	+/-0.8
Median (dollars)	83,500	+/-4,597	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	5,444	+/-270	5,444	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	2,413	+/-301	44.3%	+/-4.6
Housing units without a mortgage	3,031	+/-258	55.7%	+/-4.6
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	2,413	+/-301	2,413	(X)
Less than \$300	18	+/-26	0.7%	+/-1.0
\$300 to \$499	185	+/-63	7.7%	+/-2.7
\$500 to \$699	602	+/-175	24.9%	+/-6.2
\$700 to \$999	794	+/-171	32.9%	+/-5.9
\$1,000 to \$1,499	537	+/-152	22.3%	+/-5.7
\$1,500 to \$1,999	179	+/-89	7.4%	+/-3.4
\$2,000 or more	98	+/-54	4.1%	+/-2.2
Median (dollars)	799	+/-40	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	3,031	+/-258	3,031	(X)
Less than \$100	54	+/-37	1.8%	+/-1.2
\$100 to \$199	674	+/-150	22.2%	+/-4.7
\$200 to \$299	932	+/-166	30.7%	+/-4.7
\$300 to \$399	746	+/-169	24.6%	+/-4.8
\$400 or more	625	+/-126	20.6%	+/-4.1
Median (dollars)	287	+/-15	(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)	2,406	+/-302	2,406	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	1,188	+/-231	49.4%	+/-6.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	280	+/-106	11.6%	+/-4.0
25.0 to 29.9 percent	248	+/-91	10.3%	+/-3.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	116	+/-65	4.8%	+/-2.7
35.0 percent or more	574	+/-148	23.9%	+/-5.7
Not computed	7	+/-13	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	2,973	+/-254	2,973	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	1,334	+/-218	44.9%	+/-5.9
10.0 to 14.9 percent	607	+/-150	20.4%	+/-4.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	401	+/-115	13.5%	+/-3.9

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
20.0 to 24.9 percent	169	+/-64	5.7%	+/-2.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	98	+/-69	3.3%	+/-2.3
30.0 to 34.9 percent	88	+/-61	3.0%	+/-2.0
35.0 percent or more	276	+/-82	9.3%	+/-2.8
Not computed	58	+/-53	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	1,144	+/-189	1,144	(X)
Less than \$200	47	+/-32	4.1%	+/-2.7
\$200 to \$299	91	+/-48	8.0%	+/-4.4
\$300 to \$499	303	+/-121	26.5%	+/-9.1
\$500 to \$749	457	+/-130	39.9%	+/-9.3
\$750 to \$999	178	+/-68	15.6%	+/-5.5
\$1,000 to \$1,499	68	+/-51	5.9%	+/-4.4
\$1,500 or more	0	+/-19	0.0%	+/-2.8
Median (dollars)	562	+/-45	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	492	+/-147	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	1,144	+/-189	1,144	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	170	+/-105	14.9%	+/-8.4
15.0 to 19.9 percent	130	+/-80	11.4%	+/-6.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	160	+/-99	14.0%	+/-8.4
25.0 to 29.9 percent	224	+/-89	19.6%	+/-7.3
30.0 to 34.9 percent	93	+/-41	8.1%	+/-3.5
35.0 percent or more	367	+/-115	32.1%	+/-9.2
Not computed	492	+/-147	(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.