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Selected Social Characteristics in the United States: 2005-2009

2005-2009 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

NOTE: 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.

For more information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see Survey Methodology.

Geography: Belen city, New Mexico

Selected Social Characteristics in the United States	Number		Percent	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	2,529	+/-214	2,529	(X)
Family households (families)	1,775	+/-176	70.2%	+/-5.9
With own children under 18 years	782	+/-162	30.9%	+/-6.3
Married-couple family	977	+/-144	38.6%	+/-5.9
With own children under 18 years	286	+/-97	11.3%	+/-4.1
Male householder, no wife present, family	392	+/-143	15.5%	+/-5.5
With own children under 18 years	211	+/-133	8.3%	+/-5.2
Female householder, no husband present, family	406	+/-116	16.1%	+/-4.3
With own children under 18 years	285	+/-112	11.3%	+/-4.1
Nonfamily households	754	+/-179	29.8%	+/-5.9
Householder living alone	678	+/-177	26.8%	+/-5.8
65 years and over	203	+/-76	8.0%	+/-2.8
Households with one or more people under 18 years	903	+/-158	35.7%	+/-6.3
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	621	+/-112	24.6%	+/-4.3
Average household size	2.75	+/-0.19	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.26	+/-0.23	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	6,957	+/-271	6,957	(X)
Householder	2,529	+/-214	36.4%	+/-2.6
Spouse	965	+/-135	13.9%	+/-1.9
Child	2,241	+/-274	32.2%	+/-3.5
Other relatives	803	+/-198	11.5%	+/-2.9
Nonrelatives	419	+/-203	6.0%	+/-2.9
Unmarried partner	173	+/-93	2.5%	+/-1.3
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	2,943	+/-244	2,943	(X)
Never married	1,191	+/-256	40.5%	+/-6.6
Now married, except separated	1,128	+/-150	38.3%	+/-6.2
Separated	66	+/-66	2.2%	+/-2.3
Widowed	72	+/-44	2.4%	+/-1.5
Divorced	486	+/-153	16.5%	+/-4.8
Females 15 years and over	2,710	+/-297	2,710	(X)
Never married	772	+/-220	28.5%	+/-6.5
Now married, except separated	1,133	+/-162	41.8%	+/-5.8
Separated	83	+/-57	3.1%	+/-2.2
Widowed	317	+/-125	11.7%	+/-4.2
Divorced	405	+/-130	14.9%	+/-4.7
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	143	+/-129	143	(X)

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Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	74	+/-84	51.7%	+/-41.3
Per 1,000 unmarried women	87	+/-102	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	97	+/-89	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	40	+/-62	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	194	+/-175	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	0	+/-65	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	322	+/-145	322	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	81	+/-57	25.2%	+/-20.1
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	27	+/-35	8.4%	+/-11.1
1 or 2 years	54	+/-43	16.8%	+/-15.4
3 or 4 years	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-11.0
5 or more years	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-11.0
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	81	+/-57	81	(X)
Who are female	60	+/-40	74.1%	+/-15.7
Who are married	70	+/-54	86.4%	+/-23.7
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	1,960	+/-299	1,960	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	144	+/-87	7.3%	+/-4.5
Kindergarten	224	+/-103	11.4%	+/-4.8
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	703	+/-182	35.9%	+/-6.9
High school (grades 9-12)	428	+/-130	21.8%	+/-5.5
College or graduate school	461	+/-142	23.5%	+/-7.0
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	4,564	+/-315	4,564	(X)
Less than 9th grade	429	+/-231	9.4%	+/-4.8
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	677	+/-215	14.8%	+/-4.6
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	1,575	+/-254	34.5%	+/-5.5
Some college, no degree	1,071	+/-223	23.5%	+/-4.8
Associate's degree	331	+/-135	7.3%	+/-3.0
Bachelor's degree	280	+/-139	6.1%	+/-3.0
Graduate or professional degree	201	+/-89	4.4%	+/-2.0
Percent high school graduate or higher	75.8%	+/-6.1	(X)	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	10.5%	+/-3.4	(X)	(X)
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	5,320	+/-257	5,320	(X)
Civilian veterans	688	+/-152	12.9%	+/-3.0
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Under 18 years	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
65 years and over	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With a disability	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	7,148	+/-62	7,148	(X)
Same house	5,602	+/-358	78.4%	+/-5.2
Different house in the U.S.	1,546	+/-377	21.6%	+/-5.2
Same county	1,135	+/-366	15.9%	+/-5.1
Different county	411	+/-181	5.7%	+/-2.5
Same state	174	+/-143	2.4%	+/-2.0
Different state	237	+/-114	3.3%	+/-1.6
Abroad	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.5
PLACE OF BIRTH				

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Total population	7,222	+/-26	7,222	(X)
Native	6,953	+/-146	96.3%	+/-2.0
Born in United States	6,924	+/-150	95.9%	+/-2.1
State of residence	5,388	+/-318	74.6%	+/-4.4
Different state	1,536	+/-291	21.3%	+/-4.0
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	29	+/-30	0.4%	+/-0.4
Foreign born	269	+/-145	3.7%	+/-2.0
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	269	+/-145	269	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	62	+/-49	23.0%	+/-15.8
Not a U.S. citizen	207	+/-123	77.0%	+/-15.8
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	298	+/-148	298	(X)
Native	29	+/-30	29	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-59.2
Entered before 2000	29	+/-30	100.0%	+/-59.2
Foreign born	269	+/-145	269	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-13.0
Entered before 2000	269	+/-145	100.0%	+/-13.0
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	269	+/-145	269	(X)
Europe	17	+/-26	6.3%	+/-9.9
Asia	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-13.0
Africa	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-13.0
Oceania	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-13.0
Latin America	252	+/-142	93.7%	+/-9.9
Northern America	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-13.0
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	6,675	+/-154	6,675	(X)
English only	4,435	+/-424	66.4%	+/-5.9
Language other than English	2,240	+/-391	33.6%	+/-5.9
Speak English less than "very well"	440	+/-143	6.6%	+/-2.2
Spanish	2,132	+/-399	31.9%	+/-6.1
Speak English less than "very well"	412	+/-145	6.2%	+/-2.2
Other Indo-European languages	14	+/-16	0.2%	+/-0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.6
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	30	+/-35	0.4%	+/-0.5
Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.6
Other languages	64	+/-73	1.0%	+/-1.1
Speak English less than "very well"	28	+/-31	0.4%	+/-0.5
ANCESTRY				
Total population	7,222	+/-26	7,222	(X)
American	187	+/-110	2.6%	+/-1.5
Arab	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.5
Czech	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.5
Danish	14	+/-26	0.2%	+/-0.4
Dutch	29	+/-24	0.4%	+/-0.3
English	261	+/-109	3.6%	+/-1.5
French (except Basque)	48	+/-37	0.7%	+/-0.5
French Canadian	23	+/-29	0.3%	+/-0.4
German	677	+/-272	9.4%	+/-3.8
Greek	13	+/-20	0.2%	+/-0.3
Hungarian	17	+/-26	0.2%	+/-0.4
Irish	353	+/-130	4.9%	+/-1.8
Italian	54	+/-46	0.7%	+/-0.6
Lithuanian	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.5
Norwegian	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.5
Polish	7	+/-12	0.1%	+/-0.2

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Portuguese	12	+/-20	0.2%	+/-0.3
Russian	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.5
Scotch-Irish	73	+/-73	1.0%	+/-1.0
Scottish	57	+/-49	0.8%	+/-0.7
Slovak	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.5
Subsaharan African	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.5
Swedish	9	+/-13	0.1%	+/-0.2
Swiss	9	+/-15	0.1%	+/-0.2
Ukrainian	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.5
Welsh	64	+/-68	0.9%	+/-0.9
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	0	+/-127	0.0%	+/-0.5

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005-2009 American Community Survey

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.

Notes:

Â-Ancestry listed in this table refers to the total number of people who responded with a particular ancestry; for example, the estimate given for Russian represents the number of people who listed Russian as either their first or second ancestry. This table lists only the largest ancestry groups; see the Detailed Tables for more categories. Race and Hispanic origin groups are not included in this table because official data for those groups come from the Race and Hispanic origin questions rather than the ancestry question (see Demographic Table).

Â-The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Because of contextual differences between the 2008-2009 disability data and disability data collected in prior years, the Census Bureau is unable to combine the 5 years of disability data in order to produce the multi-year estimate that would appear in this table. Multi-year estimates of disability status will become available once five consecutive years of data are collected. For more information about the differences between the 2008 and prior years' disability questions, see Review of Changes to the Measurement of Disability in the 2008 ACS.

Â-Data for year of entry of the native population reflect the year of entry into the U.S. by people who were born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island Areas or born outside the U.S. to a U.S. citizen parent and who subsequently moved to the U.S.

Â-While the 2005-2009 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2008 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.

Â-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.

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.