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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

2009-2013 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	Bethlehem town, Albany County, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	13,753	+/-358	13,753	(X)
Occupied housing units	13,128	+/-364	95.5%	+/-1.5
Vacant housing units	625	+/-212	4.5%	+/-1.5
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.0	+/-0.9	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	6.0	+/-3.4	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	13,753	+/-358	13,753	(X)
1-unit, detached	9,778	+/-389	71.1%	+/-2.2
1-unit, attached	855	+/-167	6.2%	+/-1.2
2 units	737	+/-198	5.4%	+/-1.5
3 or 4 units	938	+/-245	6.8%	+/-1.8
5 to 9 units	505	+/-140	3.7%	+/-1.0
10 to 19 units	353	+/-126	2.6%	+/-0.9
20 or more units	474	+/-114	3.4%	+/-0.8
Mobile home	113	+/-67	0.8%	+/-0.5
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-25	0.0%	+/-0.2
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	13,753	+/-358	13,753	(X)
Built 2010 or later	55	+/-32	0.4%	+/-0.2
Built 2000 to 2009	1,534	+/-252	11.2%	+/-1.8
Built 1990 to 1999	1,994	+/-258	14.5%	+/-1.8
Built 1980 to 1989	2,014	+/-256	14.6%	+/-1.8
Built 1970 to 1979	1,708	+/-252	12.4%	+/-1.8
Built 1960 to 1969	1,311	+/-227	9.5%	+/-1.6
Built 1950 to 1959	1,680	+/-274	12.2%	+/-1.9
Built 1940 to 1949	983	+/-169	7.1%	+/-1.2
Built 1939 or earlier	2,474	+/-301	18.0%	+/-2.2
ROOMS				
Total housing units	13,753	+/-358	13,753	(X)
1 room	65	+/-73	0.5%	+/-0.5
2 rooms	142	+/-78	1.0%	+/-0.6

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3 rooms	681	+/-194	5.0%	+/-1.4
4 rooms	1,455	+/-284	10.6%	+/-2.1
5 rooms	1,786	+/-255	13.0%	+/-1.8
6 rooms	2,615	+/-376	19.0%	+/-2.8
7 rooms	2,289	+/-287	16.6%	+/-1.9
8 rooms	1,813	+/-273	13.2%	+/-1.9
9 rooms or more	2,907	+/-269	21.1%	+/-2.0
Median rooms	6.6	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	13,753	+/-358	13,753	(X)
No bedroom	95	+/-83	0.7%	+/-0.6
1 bedroom	950	+/-210	6.9%	+/-1.5
2 bedrooms	3,107	+/-363	22.6%	+/-2.5
3 bedrooms	4,880	+/-352	35.5%	+/-2.5
4 bedrooms	4,030	+/-354	29.3%	+/-2.4
5 or more bedrooms	691	+/-149	5.0%	+/-1.1
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	13,128	+/-364	13,128	(X)
Owner-occupied	10,151	+/-405	77.3%	+/-2.1
Renter-occupied	2,977	+/-288	22.7%	+/-2.1
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.72	+/-0.08	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	1.98	+/-0.16	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	13,128	+/-364	13,128	(X)
Moved in 2010 or later	1,507	+/-284	11.5%	+/-2.2
Moved in 2000 to 2009	5,554	+/-408	42.3%	+/-3.1
Moved in 1990 to 1999	2,848	+/-330	21.7%	+/-2.4
Moved in 1980 to 1989	1,618	+/-226	12.3%	+/-1.7
Moved in 1970 to 1979	918	+/-198	7.0%	+/-1.4
Moved in 1969 or earlier	683	+/-137	5.2%	+/-1.0
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	13,128	+/-364	13,128	(X)
No vehicles available	488	+/-134	3.7%	+/-1.0
1 vehicle available	4,101	+/-345	31.2%	+/-2.3
2 vehicles available	5,957	+/-413	45.4%	+/-3.0
3 or more vehicles available	2,582	+/-299	19.7%	+/-2.3
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	13,128	+/-364	13,128	(X)
Utility gas	9,729	+/-423	74.1%	+/-2.2
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	276	+/-111	2.1%	+/-0.8
Electricity	1,156	+/-184	8.8%	+/-1.4
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	1,685	+/-222	12.8%	+/-1.7
Coal or coke	0	+/-25	0.0%	+/-0.2
Wood	196	+/-87	1.5%	+/-0.7
Solar energy	0	+/-25	0.0%	+/-0.2
Other fuel	73	+/-44	0.6%	+/-0.3
No fuel used	13	+/-22	0.1%	+/-0.2
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	13,128	+/-364	13,128	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	23	+/-38	0.2%	+/-0.3
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	120	+/-82	0.9%	+/-0.6
No telephone service available	89	+/-59	0.7%	+/-0.5

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OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	13,128	+/-364	13,128	(X)
1.00 or less	13,056	+/-378	99.5%	+/-0.5
1.01 to 1.50	72	+/-61	0.5%	+/-0.5
1.51 or more	0	+/-25	0.0%	+/-0.2
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	10,151	+/-405	10,151	(X)
Less than \$50,000	208	+/-62	2.0%	+/-0.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	115	+/-65	1.1%	+/-0.6
\$100,000 to \$149,999	357	+/-123	3.5%	+/-1.2
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,575	+/-278	15.5%	+/-2.6
\$200,000 to \$299,999	3,917	+/-369	38.6%	+/-3.4
\$300,000 to \$499,999	3,414	+/-331	33.6%	+/-2.8
\$500,000 to \$999,999	493	+/-135	4.9%	+/-1.4
\$1,000,000 or more	72	+/-59	0.7%	+/-0.6
Median (dollars)	270,900	+/-7,762	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	10,151	+/-405	10,151	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	6,845	+/-411	67.4%	+/-3.1
Housing units without a mortgage	3,306	+/-343	32.6%	+/-3.1
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	6,845	+/-411	6,845	(X)
Less than \$300	0	+/-25	0.0%	+/-0.5
\$300 to \$499	20	+/-23	0.3%	+/-0.3
\$500 to \$699	127	+/-65	1.9%	+/-0.9
\$700 to \$999	259	+/-98	3.8%	+/-1.4
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,189	+/-243	17.4%	+/-3.3
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,702	+/-229	24.9%	+/-3.4
\$2,000 or more	3,548	+/-346	51.8%	+/-3.7
Median (dollars)	2,040	+/-78	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	3,306	+/-343	3,306	(X)
Less than \$100	28	+/-32	0.8%	+/-1.0
\$100 to \$199	0	+/-25	0.0%	+/-1.0
\$200 to \$299	128	+/-65	3.9%	+/-2.0
\$300 to \$399	122	+/-68	3.7%	+/-2.1
\$400 or more	3,028	+/-331	91.6%	+/-2.6
Median (dollars)	770	+/-42	(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)	6,845	+/-411	6,845	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	2,898	+/-313	42.3%	+/-3.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,241	+/-225	18.1%	+/-3.2
25.0 to 29.9 percent	946	+/-217	13.8%	+/-3.0
30.0 to 34.9 percent	549	+/-175	8.0%	+/-2.5
35.0 percent or more	1,211	+/-213	17.7%	+/-2.9
Not computed	0	+/-25	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	3,306	+/-343	3,306	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	1,282	+/-201	38.8%	+/-5.2
10.0 to 14.9 percent	830	+/-210	25.1%	+/-5.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	398	+/-111	12.0%	+/-3.1

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20.0 to 24.9 percent	138	+/-69	4.2%	+/-2.2
25.0 to 29.9 percent	121	+/-60	3.7%	+/-1.8
30.0 to 34.9 percent	122	+/-67	3.7%	+/-2.0
35.0 percent or more	415	+/-122	12.6%	+/-3.5
Not computed	0	+/-25	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	2,875	+/-275	2,875	(X)
Less than \$200	0	+/-25	0.0%	+/-1.1
\$200 to \$299	11	+/-18	0.4%	+/-0.6
\$300 to \$499	34	+/-32	1.2%	+/-1.1
\$500 to \$749	294	+/-107	10.2%	+/-3.8
\$750 to \$999	819	+/-200	28.5%	+/-6.1
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,387	+/-229	48.2%	+/-6.0
\$1,500 or more	330	+/-93	11.5%	+/-3.3
Median (dollars)	1,076	+/-37	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	102	+/-59	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	2,848	+/-281	2,848	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	473	+/-153	16.6%	+/-5.3
15.0 to 19.9 percent	500	+/-145	17.6%	+/-4.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	261	+/-125	9.2%	+/-4.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	433	+/-140	15.2%	+/-4.8
30.0 to 34.9 percent	333	+/-144	11.7%	+/-4.9
35.0 percent or more	848	+/-198	29.8%	+/-6.0
Not computed	129	+/-73	(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.

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

The 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2013 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.

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

While the 2009-2013 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the February 2013 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 2010 data. 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, 2009-2013 5-Year 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.