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2006-2010 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, for 2010, the 2010 Census provides the official counts of the population and housing units for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns. For 2006 to 2009, the Population Estimates Program provides intercensal estimates of the population for the nation, states, and counties.

Subject	Alexandria city, Virginia			
	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	63,738	+/-831	63,738	(X)
Family households (families)	29,010	+/-967	45.5%	+/-1.4
With own children under 18 years	11,787	+/-707	18.5%	+/-1.1
Married-couple family	21,264	+/-653	33.4%	+/-0.9
With own children under 18 years	7,876	+/-548	12.4%	+/-0.8
Male householder, no wife present, family	2,035	+/-286	3.2%	+/-0.4
With own children under 18 years	752	+/-223	1.2%	+/-0.3
Female householder, no husband present, family	5,711	+/-545	9.0%	+/-0.9
With own children under 18 years	3,159	+/-458	5.0%	+/-0.7
Nonfamily households	34,728	+/-1,035	54.5%	+/-1.4
Householder living alone	28,850	+/-938	45.3%	+/-1.3
65 years and over	4,323	+/-419	6.8%	+/-0.6
Households with one or more people under 18 years	12,787	+/-787	20.1%	+/-1.2
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	9,086	+/-451	14.3%	+/-0.6
Average household size	2.08	+/-0.02	(X)	(X)
Average family size	2.96	+/-0.06	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	132,259	+/-762	132,259	(X)
Householder	63,738	+/-831	48.2%	+/-0.6
Spouse	21,319	+/-648	16.1%	+/-0.5
Child	27,103	+/-715	20.5%	+/-0.6
Other relatives	8,468	+/-897	6.4%	+/-0.7
Nonrelatives	11,631	+/-925	8.8%	+/-0.7
Unmarried partner	4,132	+/-456	3.1%	+/-0.3
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	54,448	+/-117	54,448	(X)
Never married	22,723	+/-800	41.7%	+/-1.5
Now married, except separated	24,748	+/-855	45.5%	+/-1.6
Separated	1,249	+/-249	2.3%	+/-0.5
Widowed	932	+/-234	1.7%	+/-0.4
Divorced	4,796	+/-528	8.8%	+/-1.0
Females 15 years and over	59,682	+/-103	59,682	(X)

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Never married	23,082	+/-862	38.7%	+/-1.4
Now married, except separated	23,359	+/-854	39.1%	+/-1.4
Separated	1,587	+/-316	2.7%	+/-0.5
Widowed	4,013	+/-434	6.7%	+/-0.7
Divorced	7,641	+/-539	12.8%	+/-0.9
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	2,248	+/-312	2,248	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	425	+/-165	18.9%	+/-6.8
Per 1,000 unmarried women	18	+/-7	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	55	+/-8	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	33	+/-30	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	73	+/-14	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	36	+/-8	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	1,221	+/-351	1,221	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	388	+/-162	31.8%	+/-10.6
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	64	+/-71	5.2%	+/-5.9
1 or 2 years	61	+/-64	5.0%	+/-5.2
3 or 4 years	127	+/-119	10.4%	+/-9.1
5 or more years	136	+/-91	11.1%	+/-7.2
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	388	+/-162	388	(X)
Who are female	341	+/-152	87.9%	+/-9.9
Who are married	117	+/-79	30.2%	+/-20.3
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	25,790	+/-970	25,790	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	2,110	+/-304	8.2%	+/-1.1
Kindergarten	1,399	+/-198	5.4%	+/-0.8
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	7,310	+/-340	28.3%	+/-1.5
High school (grades 9-12)	3,809	+/-247	14.8%	+/-1.1
College or graduate school	11,162	+/-862	43.3%	+/-2.0
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	101,028	+/-62	101,028	(X)
Less than 9th grade	4,676	+/-733	4.6%	+/-0.7
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	4,496	+/-657	4.5%	+/-0.7
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	12,831	+/-896	12.7%	+/-0.9
Some college, no degree	13,829	+/-818	13.7%	+/-0.8
Associate's degree	4,219	+/-532	4.2%	+/-0.5
Bachelor's degree	31,615	+/-1,195	31.3%	+/-1.2
Graduate or professional degree	29,362	+/-1,019	29.1%	+/-1.0
Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	90.9%	+/-0.8
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	60.4%	+/-1.0
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	109,099	+/-292	109,099	(X)
Civilian veterans	12,125	+/-645	11.1%	+/-0.6
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	131,441	+/-293	131,441	(X)

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Same house	102,467	+/-1,772	78.0%	+/-1.3
Different house in the U.S.	26,630	+/-1,600	20.3%	+/-1.2
Same county	8,099	+/-983	6.2%	+/-0.7
Different county	18,531	+/-1,315	14.1%	+/-1.0
Same state	7,658	+/-905	5.8%	+/-0.7
Different state	10,873	+/-979	8.3%	+/-0.7
Abroad	2,344	+/-541	1.8%	+/-0.4
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	133,647	*****	133,647	(X)
Native	101,546	+/-1,434	76.0%	+/-1.1
Born in United States	97,995	+/-1,358	73.3%	+/-1.0
State of residence	28,070	+/-1,212	21.0%	+/-0.9
Different state	69,925	+/-1,288	52.3%	+/-1.0
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	3,551	+/-651	2.7%	+/-0.5
Foreign born	32,101	+/-1,434	24.0%	+/-1.1
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	32,101	+/-1,434	32,101	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	11,600	+/-745	36.1%	+/-1.9
Not a U.S. citizen	20,501	+/-1,183	63.9%	+/-1.9
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	35,652	+/-1,358	35,652	(X)
Native	3,551	+/-651	3,551	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	992	+/-454	27.9%	+/-9.3
Entered before 2000	2,559	+/-401	72.1%	+/-9.3
Foreign born	32,101	+/-1,434	32,101	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	15,061	+/-1,095	46.9%	+/-2.4
Entered before 2000	17,040	+/-1,006	53.1%	+/-2.4
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	32,101	+/-1,434	32,101	(X)
Europe	2,525	+/-351	7.9%	+/-1.0
Asia	8,716	+/-719	27.2%	+/-2.0
Africa	8,695	+/-963	27.1%	+/-2.4
Oceania	148	+/-88	0.5%	+/-0.3
Latin America	11,686	+/-696	36.4%	+/-2.0
Northern America	331	+/-123	1.0%	+/-0.4
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	124,164	+/-55	124,164	(X)
English only	88,143	+/-1,470	71.0%	+/-1.2
Language other than English	36,021	+/-1,471	29.0%	+/-1.2
Speak English less than "very well"	15,477	+/-1,169	12.5%	+/-0.9
Spanish	16,156	+/-621	13.0%	+/-0.5
Speak English less than "very well"	8,571	+/-752	6.9%	+/-0.6
Other Indo-European languages	7,879	+/-831	6.3%	+/-0.7
Speak English less than "very well"	1,996	+/-468	1.6%	+/-0.4
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	4,051	+/-514	3.3%	+/-0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	1,694	+/-352	1.4%	+/-0.3
Other languages	7,935	+/-968	6.4%	+/-0.8
Speak English less than "very well"	3,216	+/-563	2.6%	+/-0.5
ANCESTRY				
Total population	133,647	*****	133,647	(X)
American	3,640	+/-493	2.7%	+/-0.4
Arab	2,202	+/-584	1.6%	+/-0.4
Czech	647	+/-226	0.5%	+/-0.2
Danish	463	+/-223	0.3%	+/-0.2
Dutch	1,734	+/-298	1.3%	+/-0.2
English	14,500	+/-824	10.8%	+/-0.6
French (except Basque)	3,061	+/-393	2.3%	+/-0.3

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French Canadian	810	+/-230	0.6%	+/-0.2
German	17,325	+/-899	13.0%	+/-0.7
Greek	673	+/-170	0.5%	+/-0.1
Hungarian	577	+/-154	0.4%	+/-0.1
Irish	15,846	+/-991	11.9%	+/-0.7
Italian	6,580	+/-560	4.9%	+/-0.4
Lithuanian	570	+/-153	0.4%	+/-0.1
Norwegian	1,182	+/-274	0.9%	+/-0.2
Polish	3,729	+/-495	2.8%	+/-0.4
Portuguese	271	+/-151	0.2%	+/-0.1
Russian	1,494	+/-275	1.1%	+/-0.2
Scotch-Irish	3,602	+/-440	2.7%	+/-0.3
Scottish	3,670	+/-335	2.7%	+/-0.3
Slovak	498	+/-169	0.4%	+/-0.1
Subsaharan African	10,512	+/-1,082	7.9%	+/-0.8
Swedish	1,304	+/-253	1.0%	+/-0.2
Swiss	572	+/-228	0.4%	+/-0.2
Ukrainian	593	+/-215	0.4%	+/-0.2
Welsh	1,404	+/-283	1.1%	+/-0.2
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	835	+/-260	0.6%	+/-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.

While the 2006-2010 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, 2006-2010 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.