

S0201: Selected Population Profile in the United States
 Data Set: 2009 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates
 Survey: American Community Survey

Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY

Population Group: Black or African American alone

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

Subject	Total population	Black or African American alone
TOTAL NUMBER OF RACES REPORTED		
Total population	1,123,804	136,018
One race	98.6%	100.0%
Two races	1.3%	(X)
Three races	0.1%	(X)
Four or more races	0.0%	(X)
SEX AND AGE		
Total population	1,123,804	136,018
Male	48.3%	46.9%
Female	51.7%	53.1%
Under 5 years	5.4%	7.4%
5 to 17 years	16.1%	22.5%
18 to 24 years	9.8%	12.3%
25 to 34 years	12.0%	12.2%
35 to 44 years	12.7%	12.8%
45 to 54 years	15.9%	14.1%
55 to 64 years	12.4%	8.7%
65 to 74 years	7.8%	5.5%
75 years and over	8.0%	4.7%
Median age (years)	40.5	31.1
18 years and over	78.5%	70.2%
21 years and over	73.8%	64.0%
62 years and over	19.0%	12.4%
65 years and over	15.8%	10.1%
Under 18 years	241,795	40,590
Male	50.9%	50.5%
Female	49.1%	49.5%

18 years and over	882,009	95,428
Male	47.5%	45.3%
Female	52.5%	54.7%
18 to 34 years	244,862	33,279
Male	50.7%	49.2%
Female	49.3%	50.8%
35 to 64 years	459,723	48,352
Male	48.6%	44.6%
Female	51.4%	55.4%
65 years and over	177,424	13,797
Male	40.5%	38.1%
Female	59.5%	61.9%
RELATIONSHIP		
Population in households	1,096,180	130,430
Householder or spouse	60.5%	49.4%
Child	30.3%	38.2%
Other relatives	3.9%	7.2%
Nonrelatives	5.3%	5.2%
Unmarried partner	2.5%	1.8%
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE		
Households	465,277	54,061
Family households	60.5%	57.9%
With own children under 18 years	26.8%	34.4%
Married-couple family	42.5%	17.7%
With own children under 18 years	16.5%	8.6%
Female householder, no husband present, family	13.9%	34.8%
With own children under 18 years	8.3%	23.3%
Nonfamily households	39.5%	42.1%
Male householder	17.4%	18.6%
Living alone	14.2%	15.7%
Not living alone	3.2%	2.9%
Female householder	22.2%	23.5%
Living alone	19.3%	21.7%
Not living alone	2.9%	1.8%
Average household size	2.36	2.39
Average family size	3.04	3.19
MARITAL STATUS		

Population 15 years and over	928,701	103,289
Now married, except separated	44.9%	22.1%
Widowed	7.7%	7.5%
Divorced	10.8%	10.5%
Separated	2.2%	4.5%
Never married	34.4%	55.4%
Male 15 years and over	442,735	46,995
Now married, except separated	47.7%	26.5%
Widowed	3.2%	3.0%
Divorced	9.8%	9.7%
Separated	1.9%	3.5%
Never married	37.3%	57.3%
Female 15 years and over	485,966	56,294
Now married, except separated	42.4%	18.5%
Widowed	11.7%	11.3%
Divorced	11.6%	11.2%
Separated	2.4%	5.3%
Never married	31.8%	53.7%
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT		
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	288,973	45,898
Nursery school, preschool	6.0%	5.6%
Kindergarten	4.2%	3.1%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	37.4%	43.4%
High school (grades 9-12)	21.4%	22.0%
College or graduate school	31.0%	25.9%
Male 3 years and over enrolled in school	142,780	22,476
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	65.4%	72.0%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	28.4%	21.8%
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school	146,193	23,422
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	60.6%	65.0%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	33.6%	29.9%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 years and over	771,830	78,727
Less than high school diploma	11.2%	21.3%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	30.9%	31.0%
Some college or associate's degree	29.6%	32.5%
Bachelor's degree	15.7%	9.7%
Graduate or professional degree	12.5%	5.5%

High school graduate or higher	88.8%	78.7%
Male, high school graduate or higher	88.8%	78.4%
Female, high school graduate or higher	88.8%	79.0%
Bachelor's degree or higher	28.2%	15.2%
Male, bachelor's degree or higher	28.9%	14.8%
Female, bachelor's degree or higher	27.6%	15.6%
FERTILITY		
Women 15 to 50 years	271,822	36,986
Women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	12,874	1,949
Unmarried women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	4,514	1,487
As a percent of all women with a birth in the past 12 months	35.1%	76.3%
RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS		
Population 30 years and over	700,166	69,790
Living with grandchild(ren)	2.2%	4.5%
Responsible for grandchild(ren)	46.9%	67.8%
VETERAN STATUS		
Civilian population 18 years and over	880,621	95,264
Civilian veteran	9.6%	7.2%
DISABILITY STATUS		
Total civilian noninstitutionalized population	1,110,751	132,757
With a disability	13.3%	17.9%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years		
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	241,217	40,252
With a disability	4.2%	5.2%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years		
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	697,873	79,367
With a disability	11.2%	18.8%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 65 years and older		
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 65 years and older	171,661	13,138
With a disability	34.8%	51.7%
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO		
Population 1 year and over	1,112,747	134,279

Same house	87.8%	83.9%
Different house in the U.S.	11.9%	15.5%
Same county	8.7%	12.6%
Different county	3.1%	2.9%
Same state	1.9%	1.5%
Different state	1.2%	1.4%
Abroad	0.3%	0.6%
PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY		
Native	1,059,689	125,166
Male	48.1%	46.3%
Female	51.9%	53.7%
Foreign born		
Foreign born	64,115	10,852
Male	50.6%	53.5%
Female	49.4%	46.5%
Foreign born; naturalized U.S. citizen		
Foreign born; naturalized U.S. citizen	37,449	5,572
Male	49.6%	52.7%
Female	50.4%	47.3%
Foreign born; not a U.S. citizen		
Foreign born; not a U.S. citizen	26,666	5,280
Male	52.1%	54.5%
Female	47.9%	45.5%
Population born outside the United States		
Population born outside the United States	64,115	10,852
Entered 2000 or later	32.6%	57.4%
Entered 1990 to 1999	24.5%	25.6%
Entered before 1990	42.9%	17.0%
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN		
Foreign-born population excluding population born at sea	64,115	10,852
Europe	31.5%	N
Asia	33.1%	N
Africa	12.0%	N
Oceania	0.2%	N
Latin America	12.5%	N
Northern America	10.7%	N
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH		
Population 5 years and over	1,063,325	125,984

English only	91.1%	92.0%
Language other than English	8.9%	8.0%
Speak English less than "very well"	3.0%	3.2%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS		
Population 16 years and over	911,037	100,176
In labor force	64.3%	56.3%
Civilian labor force	64.1%	56.1%
Employed	58.1%	44.3%
Unemployed	6.0%	11.8%
Percent of civilian labor force	9.4%	21.0%
Armed Forces	0.2%	0.2%
Not in labor force	35.7%	43.7%
Females 16 years and over		
Females 16 years and over	477,745	54,722
In labor force	60.4%	56.4%
Civilian labor force	60.3%	56.4%
Employed	55.3%	45.5%
Unemployed	5.1%	10.9%
Percent of civilian labor force	8.4%	19.3%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Workers 16 years and over	517,146	43,216
Car, truck, or van - drove alone	81.2%	60.9%
Car, truck, or van - carpooled	8.8%	10.6%
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	3.6%	20.4%
Walked	3.1%	4.4%
Other means	1.0%	1.8%
Worked at home	2.3%	1.9%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	21.1	20.9
OCCUPATION		
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	529,401	44,428
Management, professional, and related occupations	36.1%	29.8%
Service occupations	18.6%	31.9%
Sales and office occupations	26.9%	20.6%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0.1%	0.0%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	6.7%	4.4%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	11.6%	13.3%
Male civilian employed population 16 years and over		
Male civilian employed population 16 years and over	265,383	19,511
Management, professional, and related occupations	31.6%	27.1%
Service occupations	17.0%	26.9%
Sales and office occupations	19.7%	16.2%

Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0.2%	0.0%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	13.0%	10.0%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	18.4%	19.8%
Female civilian employed population 16 years and over	264,018	24,917
Management, professional, and related occupations	40.6%	31.8%
Service occupations	20.2%	35.9%
Sales and office occupations	34.2%	24.0%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0.1%	0.0%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	0.2%	0.0%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	4.8%	8.3%
INDUSTRY		
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	529,401	44,428
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	0.4%	0.1%
Construction	4.7%	2.6%
Manufacturing	10.8%	8.7%
Wholesale trade	2.4%	1.0%
Retail trade	12.2%	7.4%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	5.1%	7.4%
Information	2.1%	1.1%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	7.1%	4.4%
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	9.2%	9.5%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	27.4%	36.8%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	8.9%	7.1%
Other services (except public administration)	4.8%	6.2%
Public administration	4.8%	7.5%
CLASS OF WORKER		
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	529,401	44,428
Private wage and salary workers	78.7%	75.3%
Government workers	16.9%	22.1%
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	4.4%	2.6%
Unpaid family workers	0.1%	0.0%
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2009 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)		
Households	465,277	54,061

Median household income (dollars)	45,811	22,594
With earnings	73.6%	65.0%
Mean earnings (dollars)	63,658	40,679
With Social Security income	32.4%	26.7%
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	15,702	12,780
With Supplemental Security Income	4.9%	10.6%
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	7,707	7,407
With cash public assistance income	3.5%	12.5%
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,768	3,704
With retirement income	22.8%	17.9%
Mean retirement income (dollars)	19,516	15,911
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits	13.8%	38.5%
Families	281,342	31,298
Median family income (dollars)	61,525	28,881
Married-couple family	70.4%	30.6%
Median income (dollars)	75,184	61,371
Male householder, no spouse present, family	6.7%	9.3%
Median income (dollars)	45,075	N
Female householder, no husband present, family	22.9%	60.1%
Median income (dollars)	28,451	19,527
Individuals	1,123,804	136,018
Per capita income (dollars)	25,984	14,851
With earnings for full-time, year-round workers:		
Male	194,205	11,705
Female	152,726	15,144
Mean earnings (dollars) for full-time, year-round workers:		
Male	58,889	41,158
Female	43,421	37,798
Median earnings (dollars) full-time, year-round workers:		
Male	46,676	36,430
Female	35,797	29,323
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE		
Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	1,110,751	132,757
With private health insurance coverage	74.5%	46.6%
With public health coverage	33.8%	51.7%
No health insurance coverage	7.9%	13.3%

POVERTY RATES FOR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED		
All families	10.9%	33.9%
With related children under 18 years	18.4%	43.5%
With related children under 5 years only	23.6%	57.0%
Married-couple family	3.6%	9.7%
With related children under 18 years	4.8%	16.7%
With related children under 5 years only	5.6%	N
Female householder, no husband present, family	30.7%	44.9%
With related children under 18 years	41.3%	52.0%
With related children under 5 years only	51.9%	59.7%
All people	14.0%	36.2%
Under 18 years	21.3%	48.5%
Related children under 18 years	21.1%	48.2%
Related children under 5 years	25.9%	59.5%
Related children 5 to 17 years	19.4%	44.5%
18 years and over	11.9%	30.9%
18 to 64 years	12.7%	32.3%
65 years and over	8.9%	22.2%
People in families	11.3%	34.3%
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	23.2%	42.5%
HOUSING TENURE		
Occupied housing units	465,277	54,061
Owner-occupied housing units	66.6%	35.4%
Renter-occupied housing units	33.4%	64.6%
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.53	2.64
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.01	2.25
UNITS IN STRUCTURE		
Occupied housing units	465,277	54,061
1-unit, detached or attached	63.6%	39.6%
2 to 4 units	23.0%	40.6%
5 or more units	11.4%	19.3%
Mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.	1.9%	0.5%
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT		
Occupied housing units	465,277	54,061
Built 2000 or later	5.1%	3.2%
Built 1990 to 1999	6.6%	3.6%
Built 1980 to 1989	7.2%	2.2%

Built 1960 to 1979	21.0%	12.3%
Built 1940 to 1959	29.6%	25.0%
Built 1939 or earlier	30.6%	53.7%
VEHICLES AVAILABLE		
Occupied housing units	465,277	54,061
None	13.4%	38.1%
1 or more	86.6%	61.9%
HOUSE HEATING FUEL		
Occupied housing units	465,277	54,061
Gas	89.1%	85.9%
Electricity	6.2%	10.8%
All other fuels	4.4%	2.6%
No fuel used	0.3%	0.7%
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS		
Occupied housing units	465,277	54,061
No telephone service available	2.2%	5.6%
1.01 or more occupants per room	1.0%	1.9%
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS		
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOC cannot be computed)	197,694	12,517
Less than 30 percent	72.1%	60.6%
30 percent or more	27.9%	39.4%
OWNER CHARACTERISTICS		
Owner-occupied housing units	309,777	19,149
Median value (dollars)	116,000	61,300
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	1,250	1,016
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	502	459
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS		
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAP cannot be computed)	147,024	33,519
Less than 30 percent	45.9%	32.7%
30 percent or more	54.1%	67.3%

GROSS RENT		
Occupied units paying rent	150,015	34,600
Median gross rent (dollars)	663	648

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 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:

- Data for the households, families, occupied housing units, owner-occupied housing units, and renter-occupied housing units lines refer to the specified race, Hispanic or Latino, American Indian or Alaska Native, or ancestry of the householder shown in the table. Data in the "Total population" column are shown regardless of the race, H
- The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Accordingly, co
- The Census Bureau introduced an improved sequence of labor force questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire.
- Occupation codes are 4-digit codes and are based on Standard Occupational Classification 2000.
- Industry codes are 4-digit codes and are based on the North American Industry Classification System 2007. Thi
- Logical coverage edits applying a rules-based assignment of Medicaid, Medicare and military health coverage v
- Caution should be used when comparing data for Telephone Service Availability between 2008 and 2009. A da
- Caution should be used when comparing data for Occupants per Room between 2008 and 2009. A data collect
- See the Glossary for more information on the definition of the following population groups: Arab, Arab/Arabic, E
- While the 2009 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2008 Office of Manag