

S0201: Selected Population Profile in the United States
 Data Set: 2008 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates
 Survey: American Community Survey

New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metropolitan Statistical Area

Population Group: Black or African American alone or in combination with one or more other races

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

Subject	Total population	Black or African American alone or in combination with one or more other races
TOTAL NUMBER OF RACES REPORTED		
Total population	19,006,798	3,592,061
One race	98.0%	94.6%
Two races	1.9%	4.7%
Three races	0.1%	0.6%
Four or more races	0.0%	0.1%
SEX AND AGE		
Total population	19,006,798	3,592,061
Male	48.4%	45.7%
Female	51.6%	54.3%
Under 5 years	6.5%	7.5%

5 to 17 years	16.8%	19.5%
18 to 24 years	9.3%	11.1%
25 to 34 years	12.8%	13.6%
35 to 44 years	15.2%	14.5%
45 to 54 years	15.1%	14.1%
55 to 64 years	11.2%	9.7%
65 to 74 years	6.7%	5.8%
75 years and over	6.3%	4.2%
Median age (years)	38.1	33.6
18 years and over	76.7%	73.0%
21 years and over	72.5%	67.6%
62 years and over	15.8%	12.5%
65 years and over	13.0%	10.0%
Under 18 years	4,434,392	970,156
Male	51.1%	50.9%
Female	48.9%	49.1%

18 years and over	14,572,406	2,621,905
Male	47.6%	43.8%
Female	52.4%	56.2%
18 to 34 years	4,209,831	888,158
Male	50.1%	47.3%
Female	49.9%	52.7%
35 to 64 years	7,883,377	1,375,643
Male	48.4%	43.7%
Female	51.6%	56.3%
65 years and over	2,479,198	358,104
Male	40.7%	35.7%
Female	59.3%	64.3%
RELATIONSHIP		
Population in households	18,611,597	3,468,590
Householder or spouse	53.1%	43.8%
Child	32.8%	37.2%

Other relatives	9.1%	14.2%
Nonrelatives	5.1%	4.7%
Unmarried partner	1.6%	1.8%
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE		
Households	6,760,231	1,198,629
Family households	65.9%	63.9%
With own children under 18 years	30.9%	32.1%
Married-couple family	46.2%	26.5%
With own children under 18 years	21.4%	12.6%
Female householder, no husband present, family	15.0%	30.9%
With own children under 18 years	7.8%	16.7%
Nonfamily households	34.1%	36.1%
Male householder	14.9%	15.3%
Living alone	11.9%	13.1%
Not living alone	3.0%	2.2%
Female householder	19.2%	20.8%
Living alone	16.9%	19.0%
Not living alone	2.2%	1.8%

Average household size	2.75	2.85
Average family size	3.45	3.69
MARITAL STATUS		
Population 15 years and over	15,345,303	2,799,447
Now married, except separated	46.5%	29.3%
Widowed	6.4%	6.3%
Divorced	8.0%	9.2%
Separated	2.6%	4.8%
Never married	36.5%	50.4%
Male 15 years and over		
Male 15 years and over	7,328,035	1,239,082
Now married, except separated	49.9%	34.3%
Widowed	2.5%	2.6%
Divorced	6.2%	6.8%
Separated	2.0%	3.7%
Never married	39.4%	52.5%
Female 15 years and over		
Female 15 years and over	8,017,268	1,560,365
Now married, except separated	43.4%	25.3%

Widowed	10.0%	9.2%
Divorced	9.6%	11.0%
Separated	3.2%	5.7%
Never married	33.8%	48.8%
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT		
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	4,960,674	1,111,018
Nursery school, preschool	7.2%	6.9%
Kindergarten	4.9%	4.5%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	39.0%	38.2%
High school (grades 9-12)	21.9%	23.4%
College or graduate school	27.1%	27.1%
Male 3 years and over enrolled in school		
Male 3 years and over enrolled in school	2,436,990	524,198
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	68.7%	71.6%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	23.7%	20.7%
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school		
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school	2,523,684	586,820
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	62.8%	61.1%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	30.4%	32.8%
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school		

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 years and over	12,801,794	2,222,068
Less than high school diploma	16.2%	19.8%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	26.5%	30.3%
Some college or associate's degree	22.1%	28.8%
Bachelor's degree	20.8%	13.8%
Graduate or professional degree	14.5%	7.4%
High school graduate or higher	83.8%	80.2%
Male, high school graduate or higher	83.7%	79.1%
Female, high school graduate or higher	83.8%	81.1%
Bachelor's degree or higher	35.2%	21.2%
Male, bachelor's degree or higher	36.1%	19.6%
Female, bachelor's degree or higher	34.5%	22.4%
FERTILITY		
Women 15 to 50 years	4,874,669	1,024,941
Women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	267,432	55,493
Unmarried women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	77,760	31,937
As a percent of all women with a birth in the past 12 months	29.1%	57.6%

RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS		
Population 30 years and over	11,616,509	1,963,113
Living with grandchild(ren)	3.7%	6.3%
Responsible for grandchild(ren)	27.5%	38.5%
VETERAN STATUS		
Civilian population 18 years and over	14,560,757	2,619,518
Civilian veteran	5.5%	4.5%
DISABILITY STATUS		
Total civilian noninstitutionalized population	18,815,640	3,530,549
With a disability	9.9%	11.1%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	4,429,149	967,401
With a disability	2.9%	3.5%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	12,003,405	2,224,705
With a disability	7.4%	9.9%

Civilian noninstitutionalized population 65 years and older	2,383,086	338,443
With a disability	35.7%	40.3%
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO		
Population 1 year and over	18,754,889	3,538,675
Same house	90.2%	89.1%
Different house in the U.S.	8.9%	10.2%
Same county	5.6%	7.0%
Different county	3.3%	3.3%
Same state	1.9%	2.2%
Different state	1.3%	1.0%
Abroad	0.9%	0.7%
PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY		
Native	13,678,765	2,590,200
Male	48.5%	46.5%
Female	51.5%	53.5%
Foreign born	5,328,033	1,001,861
Male	48.3%	43.8%

Female	51.7%	56.2%
Foreign born; naturalized U.S. citizen	2,736,843	556,243
Male	45.1%	41.1%
Female	54.9%	58.9%
Foreign born; not a U.S. citizen	2,591,190	445,618
Male	51.6%	47.1%
Female	48.4%	52.9%
Population born outside the United States	5,328,033	1,001,861
Entered 2000 or later	26.3%	23.5%
Entered 1990 to 1999	29.1%	27.0%
Entered before 1990	44.6%	49.4%
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN		
Foreign-born population excluding population born at sea	5,328,033	1,001,861
Europe	18.2%	1.2%
Asia	26.8%	0.7%
Africa	3.8%	13.9%

Oceania	0.2%	0.0%
Latin America	50.2%	83.9%
Northern America	0.8%	0.4%
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH		
Population 5 years and over	17,765,431	3,321,939
English only	62.7%	80.5%
Language other than English	37.3%	19.5%
Speak English less than "very well"	17.3%	7.4%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS		
Population 16 years and over	15,096,154	2,746,685
In labor force	65.7%	64.9%
Civilian labor force	65.6%	64.8%
Employed	61.6%	58.3%
Unemployed	4.0%	6.6%
Percent of civilian labor force	6.1%	10.1%
Armed Forces	0.1%	0.1%
Not in labor force	34.3%	35.1%

Females 16 years and over	7,892,451	1,534,026
In labor force	59.7%	63.4%
Civilian labor force	59.7%	63.4%
Employed	56.2%	57.8%
Unemployed	3.5%	5.6%
Percent of civilian labor force	5.9%	8.9%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Workers 16 years and over	9,080,260	1,555,008
Car, truck, or van - drove alone	50.3%	40.0%
Car, truck, or van - carpooled	7.3%	6.0%
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	30.4%	45.0%
Walked	6.2%	5.0%
Other means	2.1%	1.8%
Worked at home	3.7%	2.2%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	34.8	39.8
OCCUPATION		
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	9,303,131	1,600,053
Management, professional, and related occupations	38.9%	30.1%

Service occupations	18.2%	26.6%
Sales and office occupations	26.2%	27.4%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0.1%	0.1%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	7.3%	5.6%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	9.3%	10.2%
Male civilian employed population 16 years and over	4,870,915	713,871
Management, professional, and related occupations	35.9%	25.0%
Service occupations	16.4%	21.6%
Sales and office occupations	20.1%	22.4%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0.1%	0.2%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	13.6%	11.9%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	13.9%	18.9%
Female civilian employed population 16 years and over	4,432,216	886,182
Management, professional, and related occupations	42.2%	34.1%
Service occupations	20.3%	30.6%
Sales and office occupations	32.8%	31.5%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0.0%	0.0%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	0.4%	0.6%

Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	4.3%	3.2%
INDUSTRY		
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	9,303,131	1,600,053
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	0.1%	0.1%
Construction	6.1%	3.8%
Manufacturing	6.8%	4.2%
Wholesale trade	3.3%	1.8%
Retail trade	10.6%	9.9%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	6.0%	9.2%
Information	3.7%	3.3%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	9.8%	7.8%
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	12.5%	9.0%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	24.2%	34.2%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	7.9%	5.9%
Other services (except public administration)	4.9%	4.4%
Public administration	4.1%	6.5%
CLASS OF WORKER		
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	9,303,131	1,600,053

Private wage and salary workers	79.5%	74.2%
Government workers	14.7%	21.8%
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	5.6%	3.9%
Unpaid family workers	0.1%	0.1%
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2008 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)		
Households	6,760,231	1,198,629
Median household income (dollars)	64,747	44,689
With earnings	80.7%	79.7%
Mean earnings (dollars)	97,872	62,737
With Social Security income	26.2%	22.7%
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	15,831	12,830
With Supplemental Security Income	4.0%	5.8%
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	8,004	7,590
With cash public assistance income	2.7%	5.6%
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,502	3,342
With retirement income	15.4%	13.2%
Mean retirement income (dollars)	24,476	19,156
With Food Stamp benefits	9.0%	16.9%

Families	4,457,389	766,018
Median family income (dollars)	77,760	52,672
Married-couple family	70.0%	41.5%
Median income (dollars)	96,696	78,926
Male householder, no spouse present, family	7.2%	10.1%
Median income (dollars)	55,842	49,646
Female householder, no husband present, family	22.8%	48.4%
Median income (dollars)	39,620	35,861
Individuals	19,006,798	3,592,061
Per capita income (dollars)	35,033	21,434
With earnings for full-time, year-round workers:		
Male	3,836,141	547,885
Female	2,936,624	648,235
Mean earnings (dollars) for full-time, year-round workers:		
Male	80,338	50,606
Female	57,133	44,616
Median earnings (dollars) full-time, year-round workers:		

Male	52,221	41,910
Female	43,930	37,918
POVERTY RATES FOR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED		
All families	9.4%	16.2%
With related children under 18 years	13.9%	22.2%
With related children under 5 years only	11.6%	20.5%
Married-couple family	4.9%	5.0%
With related children under 18 years	6.3%	6.4%
With related children under 5 years only	5.8%	7.3%
Female householder, no husband present, family	23.4%	26.4%
With related children under 18 years	32.4%	33.4%
With related children under 5 years only	31.3%	32.6%
All people	12.3%	19.2%
Under 18 years	17.5%	26.7%
Related children under 18 years	17.2%	26.2%
Related children under 5 years	18.6%	28.6%
Related children 5 to 17 years	16.7%	25.3%
18 years and over	10.7%	16.5%

18 to 64 years	10.4%	16.1%
65 years and over	12.0%	18.5%
People in families	10.2%	16.7%
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	21.7%	30.9%
HOUSING TENURE		
Occupied housing units	6,760,231	1,198,629
Owner-occupied housing units	53.4%	32.4%
Renter-occupied housing units	46.6%	67.6%
UNITS IN STRUCTURE		
Occupied housing units	6,760,231	1,198,629
1-unit, detached or attached	43.8%	25.1%
2 to 4 units	18.6%	24.6%
5 or more units	37.3%	50.2%
Mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.	0.4%	0.2%
UNITS IN STRUCTURE		

YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT		
Occupied housing units	6,760,231	1,198,629
Built 2000 or later	5.0%	4.3%
Built 1990 to 1999	5.7%	4.5%
Built 1980 to 1989	7.6%	5.4%
Built 1960 to 1979	23.9%	23.4%
Built 1940 to 1959	28.2%	30.5%
Built 1939 or earlier	29.6%	31.9%
VEHICLES AVAILABLE		
Occupied housing units	6,760,231	1,198,629
None	30.4%	45.1%
1 or more	69.6%	54.9%
HOUSE HEATING FUEL		
Occupied housing units	6,760,231	1,198,629
Gas	59.8%	58.4%
Electricity	8.2%	8.8%
All other fuels	31.3%	32.2%
No fuel used	0.6%	0.7%

SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS		
Occupied housing units	6,760,231	1,198,629
No telephone service available	2.3%	3.3%
1.01 or more occupants per room	5.9%	7.4%
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)	2,457,987	302,311
Less than 30 percent	51.1%	40.2%
30 percent or more	48.9%	59.8%
OWNER CHARACTERISTICS		
Owner-occupied housing units	3,607,190	388,156
Median value (dollars)	462,700	410,800
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	2,628	2,446
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	895	735
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS		
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	3,005,964	778,938
Less than 30 percent	49.4%	48.9%

30 percent or more	50.6%	51.1%
GROSS RENT		
Occupied units paying rent	3,065,292	796,074
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,084	926

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 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.