

S0201: Selected Population Profile in the United States  
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# Tennessee

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

Subject	Total population	Black or African American alone or in combination with one or more other races
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF RACES REPORTED</b>		
<b>Total population</b>	<b>6,214,888</b>	<b>1,060,873</b>
One race	98.5%	95.7%
Two races	1.4%	3.8%
Three races	0.1%	0.4%
Four or more races	0.0%	0.0%
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>		
<b>Total population</b>	<b>6,214,888</b>	<b>1,060,873</b>
Male	48.7%	47.1%
Female	51.3%	52.9%
Under 5 years	6.7%	8.3%
5 to 17 years	17.1%	22.0%
18 to 24 years	9.0%	11.4%

25 to 34 years	13.4%	13.9%
35 to 44 years	14.1%	13.9%
45 to 54 years	14.7%	13.7%
55 to 64 years	11.9%	9.1%
65 to 74 years	7.2%	4.3%
75 years and over	5.9%	3.5%
Median age (years)	37.7	30.5
18 years and over	76.2%	69.7%
21 years and over	72.2%	64.1%
62 years and over	16.0%	9.6%
65 years and over	13.1%	7.8%
<b>Under 18 years</b>	<b>1,478,901</b>	<b>321,010</b>
Male	51.2%	51.0%
Female	48.8%	49.0%
<b>18 years and over</b>	<b>4,735,987</b>	<b>739,863</b>
Male	47.9%	45.4%
Female	52.1%	54.6%

<b>18 to 34 years</b>	<b>1,389,715</b>	<b>268,852</b>
Male	50.1%	48.4%
Female	49.9%	51.6%
<b>35 to 64 years</b>	<b>2,530,039</b>	<b>388,241</b>
Male	48.7%	45.5%
Female	51.3%	54.5%
<b>65 years and over</b>	<b>816,233</b>	<b>82,770</b>
Male	41.7%	35.6%
Female	58.3%	64.4%
<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>		
<b>Population in households</b>	<b>6,062,405</b>	<b>1,022,787</b>
Householder or spouse	60.1%	47.6%
Child	29.2%	36.5%
Other relatives	6.2%	10.9%
Nonrelatives	4.5%	5.1%
Unmarried partner	1.9%	2.3%

<b>HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE</b>		
<b>Households</b>	<b>2,434,683</b>	<b>383,742</b>
Family households	66.7%	62.5%
With own children under 18 years	29.3%	33.6%
Married-couple family	49.7%	27.3%
With own children under 18 years	19.7%	12.4%
Female householder, no husband present, family	12.9%	29.8%
With own children under 18 years	7.5%	18.1%
Nonfamily households	33.3%	37.5%
Male householder	15.2%	16.6%
Living alone	12.4%	14.4%
Not living alone	2.7%	2.2%
Female householder	18.2%	20.9%
Living alone	16.1%	18.5%
Not living alone	2.1%	2.3%
Average household size	2.49	2.58
Average family size	3.07	3.34
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>		
<b>Population 15 years and over</b>	<b>4,989,688</b>	<b>796,065</b>

Now married, except separated	51.5%	28.7%
Widowed	6.8%	6.5%
Divorced	12.5%	11.8%
Separated	2.2%	4.9%
Never married	27.1%	48.0%
<b>Male 15 years and over</b>	<b>2,400,731</b>	<b>364,979</b>
Now married, except separated	54.3%	33.3%
Widowed	2.5%	2.3%
Divorced	11.3%	10.7%
Separated	1.9%	4.5%
Never married	30.1%	49.1%
<b>Female 15 years and over</b>	<b>2,588,957</b>	<b>431,086</b>
Now married, except separated	48.9%	24.8%
Widowed	10.8%	10.0%
Divorced	13.6%	12.7%
Separated	2.5%	5.3%
Never married	24.3%	47.1%
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>		

<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>	<b>1,530,092</b>	<b>342,553</b>
Nursery school, preschool	6.0%	5.8%
Kindergarten	5.5%	5.1%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	42.5%	41.9%
High school (grades 9-12)	22.0%	22.8%
College or graduate school	24.0%	24.4%
<b>Male 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>	<b>756,858</b>	<b>162,657</b>
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	72.4%	74.0%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	21.2%	19.5%
<b>Female 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>	<b>773,234</b>	<b>179,896</b>
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	67.5%	65.9%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	26.7%	28.8%
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>		
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>	<b>4,176,640</b>	<b>618,824</b>
Less than high school diploma	17.0%	20.2%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	32.5%	33.0%
Some college or associate's degree	27.6%	31.1%
Bachelor's degree	14.9%	10.9%
Graduate or professional degree	8.0%	4.8%

High school graduate or higher	83.0%	79.8%
Male, high school graduate or higher	82.3%	78.1%
Female, high school graduate or higher	83.6%	81.3%
Bachelor's degree or higher	22.9%	15.7%
Male, bachelor's degree or higher	23.5%	13.4%
Female, bachelor's degree or higher	22.2%	17.5%
<b>FERTILITY</b>		
<b>Women 15 to 50 years</b>	<b>1,543,855</b>	<b>295,293</b>
Women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	100,013	28,848
Unmarried women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	39,693	19,288
As a percent of all women with a birth in the past 12 months	39.7%	66.9%
<b>RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS</b>		
<b>Population 30 years and over</b>	<b>3,747,566</b>	<b>538,557</b>
Living with grandchild(ren)	3.8%	6.5%
Responsible for grandchild(ren)	50.3%	59.3%
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>		
<b>Civilian population 18 years and over</b>	<b>4,720,255</b>	<b>736,241</b>

Civilian veteran	10.7%	8.9%
<b>DISABILITY STATUS</b>		
<b>Total civilian noninstitutionalized population</b>	<b>6,113,391</b>	<b>1,032,792</b>
With a disability	14.9%	13.8%
<b>Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years</b>	<b>1,476,111</b>	<b>320,321</b>
With a disability	4.9%	5.6%
<b>Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years</b>	<b>3,856,551</b>	<b>633,706</b>
With a disability	13.1%	13.6%
<b>Civilian noninstitutionalized population 65 years and older</b>	<b>780,729</b>	<b>78,765</b>
With a disability	42.2%	49.0%
<b>RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO</b>		
<b>Population 1 year and over</b>	<b>6,133,828</b>	<b>1,042,321</b>
Same house	83.5%	78.7%
Different house in the U.S.	16.1%	20.9%
Same county	9.8%	16.6%
Different county	6.3%	4.3%

Same state	3.4%	2.1%
Different state	2.9%	2.3%
Abroad	0.4%	0.4%
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY</b>		
<b>Native</b>	<b>5,966,405</b>	<b>1,038,131</b>
Male	48.5%	46.9%
Female	51.5%	53.1%
<b>Foreign born</b>	<b>248,483</b>	<b>22,742</b>
Male	54.1%	56.8%
Female	45.9%	43.2%
<b>Foreign born; naturalized U.S. citizen</b>	<b>80,145</b>	<b>7,868</b>
Male	48.0%	59.1%
Female	52.0%	40.9%
<b>Foreign born; not a U.S. citizen</b>	<b>168,338</b>	<b>14,874</b>
Male	57.0%	55.6%
Female	43.0%	44.4%

<b>Population born outside the United States</b>	<b>248,483</b>	<b>22,742</b>
Entered 2000 or later	43.8%	62.9%
Entered 1990 to 1999	29.5%	21.1%
Entered before 1990	26.7%	16.0%
<b>WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN</b>		
<b>Foreign-born population excluding population born at sea</b>	<b>248,483</b>	<b>22,742</b>
Europe	12.0%	N
Asia	29.8%	N
Africa	8.2%	N
Oceania	0.6%	N
Latin America	46.4%	N
Northern America	3.1%	N
<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH</b>		
<b>Population 5 years and over</b>	<b>5,800,458</b>	<b>973,218</b>
English only	94.3%	96.6%
Language other than English	5.7%	3.4%
Speak English less than "very well"	2.6%	1.4%
<b>EMPLOYMENT STATUS</b>		

<b>Population 16 years and over</b>	<b>4,906,265</b>	<b>779,528</b>
In labor force	64.3%	66.4%
Civilian labor force	64.0%	65.9%
Employed	59.5%	58.1%
Unemployed	4.4%	7.8%
Percent of civilian labor force	6.9%	11.8%
Armed Forces	0.3%	0.5%
Not in labor force	35.7%	33.6%
<b>Females 16 years and over</b>	<b>2,546,508</b>	<b>422,823</b>
In labor force	58.2%	66.9%
Civilian labor force	58.1%	66.7%
Employed	54.0%	59.7%
Unemployed	4.1%	7.1%
Percent of civilian labor force	7.0%	10.6%
<b>COMMUTING TO WORK</b>		
<b>Workers 16 years and over</b>	<b>2,854,572</b>	<b>441,774</b>
Car, truck, or van - drove alone	82.7%	80.9%
Car, truck, or van - carpooled	10.6%	11.4%
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	0.7%	2.6%

Walked	1.4%	1.9%
Other means	1.2%	1.5%
Worked at home	3.4%	1.7%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	24	22.6
<b>OCCUPATION</b>		
<b>Civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>	<b>2,921,253</b>	<b>453,204</b>
Management, professional, and related occupations	32.2%	24.1%
Service occupations	16.5%	24.6%
Sales and office occupations	25.6%	25.7%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0.5%	0.3%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	9.6%	5.0%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	15.6%	20.4%
<b>Male civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>		
<b>Male civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>	<b>1,545,191</b>	<b>200,877</b>
Management, professional, and related occupations	28.9%	17.8%
Service occupations	13.3%	23.8%
Sales and office occupations	17.3%	16.1%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0.8%	0.3%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	17.6%	10.8%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	22.1%	31.1%

<b>Female civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>	<b>1,376,062</b>	<b>252,327</b>
Management, professional, and related occupations	35.9%	29.0%
Service occupations	20.1%	25.2%
Sales and office occupations	34.9%	33.3%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0.1%	0.2%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	0.7%	0.4%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	8.3%	11.8%
<b>INDUSTRY</b>		
<b>Civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>	<b>2,921,253</b>	<b>453,204</b>
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	1.1%	0.3%
Construction	7.5%	2.9%
Manufacturing	13.9%	12.7%
Wholesale trade	3.1%	3.0%
Retail trade	11.9%	10.7%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	6.2%	9.6%
Information	2.0%	1.7%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	6.0%	4.9%
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	8.6%	7.4%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	21.4%	24.9%

Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	8.8%	10.9%
Other services (except public administration)	5.0%	4.2%
Public administration	4.4%	6.6%
<b>CLASS OF WORKER</b>		
<b>Civilian employed population 16 years and over</b>	<b>2,921,253</b>	<b>453,204</b>
Private wage and salary workers	78.3%	77.9%
Government workers	14.0%	18.3%
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	7.5%	3.8%
Unpaid family workers	0.1%	0.1%
<b>INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2008 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)</b>		
<b>Households</b>	<b>2,434,683</b>	<b>383,742</b>
Median household income (dollars)	43,614	31,750
With earnings	79.1%	82.4%
Mean earnings (dollars)	60,937	42,782
With Social Security income	29.0%	22.8%
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	14,469	11,241
With Supplemental Security Income	3.7%	5.7%
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	7,214	6,739

With cash public assistance income	2.4%	5.6%
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	2,333	2,274
With retirement income	17.7%	13.0%
Mean retirement income (dollars)	18,349	16,667
With Food Stamp benefits	12.8%	25.2%
<b>Families</b>	<b>1,623,272</b>	<b>239,961</b>
Median family income (dollars)	53,799	37,274
Married-couple family	74.5%	43.6%
Median income (dollars)	64,432	60,361
Male householder, no spouse present, family	6.1%	8.7%
Median income (dollars)	36,006	34,457
Female householder, no husband present, family	19.4%	47.6%
Median income (dollars)	26,229	23,585
<b>Individuals</b>	<b>6,214,888</b>	<b>1,060,873</b>
Per capita income (dollars)	24,164	15,964
With earnings for full-time, year-round workers:		
Male	1,199,784	151,722
Female	903,829	177,273

Mean earnings (dollars) for full-time, year-round workers:		
Male	55,289	38,754
Female	37,568	33,284
Median earnings (dollars) full-time, year-round workers:		
Male	40,458	31,870
Female	31,091	28,313
<b>POVERTY RATES FOR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED</b>		
All families	11.6%	22.4%
With related children under 18 years	18.0%	30.7%
With related children under 5 years only	20.6%	38.7%
Married-couple family	5.5%	6.7%
With related children under 18 years	7.4%	9.3%
With related children under 5 years only	6.9%	10.0%
Female householder, no husband present, family	32.6%	37.1%
With related children under 18 years	41.8%	45.9%
With related children under 5 years only	54.6%	60.3%
All people	15.5%	26.6%
Under 18 years	21.8%	37.7%
Related children under 18 years	21.5%	37.5%

Related children under 5 years	26.5%	45.5%
Related children 5 to 17 years	19.5%	34.4%
18 years and over	13.5%	21.6%
18 to 64 years	13.9%	21.6%
65 years and over	11.4%	21.9%
People in families	12.9%	25.0%
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	27.5%	33.4%
<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>		
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>2,434,683</b>	<b>383,742</b>
Owner-occupied housing units	69.8%	49.8%
Renter-occupied housing units	30.2%	50.2%
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE</b>		
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>2,434,683</b>	<b>383,742</b>
1-unit, detached or attached	74.0%	66.9%
2 to 4 units	5.8%	11.1%
5 or more units	10.5%	19.6%

Mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.	9.7%	2.4%
<b>YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT</b>		
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>2,434,683</b>	<b>383,742</b>
Built 2000 or later	14.9%	13.0%
Built 1990 to 1999	19.8%	12.2%
Built 1980 to 1989	15.8%	14.1%
Built 1960 to 1979	28.4%	35.8%
Built 1940 to 1959	14.7%	19.1%
Built 1939 or earlier	6.4%	5.8%
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>		
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>2,434,683</b>	<b>383,742</b>
None	6.1%	13.8%
1 or more	93.9%	86.2%
<b>HOUSE HEATING FUEL</b>		
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>2,434,683</b>	<b>383,742</b>
Gas	40.8%	42.3%
Electricity	56.3%	56.5%
All other fuels	2.8%	1.0%

No fuel used	0.2%	0.2%
<b>SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS</b>		
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>2,434,683</b>	<b>383,742</b>
No telephone service available	1.9%	3.0%
1.01 or more occupants per room	1.8%	3.3%
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS</b>		
<b>Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOC cannot be computed)</b>	<b>1,080,365</b>	<b>146,665</b>
Less than 30 percent	68.7%	54.6%
30 percent or more	31.3%	45.4%
<b>OWNER CHARACTERISTICS</b>		
<b>Owner-occupied housing units</b>	<b>1,700,137</b>	<b>191,170</b>
Median value (dollars)	138,600	102,300
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	1,149	1,133
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	318	340
<b>GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS</b>		
<b>Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAP cannot be computed)</b>	<b>657,634</b>	<b>179,941</b>
Less than 30 percent	52.0%	43.4%

30 percent or more	48.0%	56.6%
<b>GROSS RENT</b>		
<b>Occupied units paying rent</b>	<b>673,529</b>	<b>185,648</b>
Median gross rent (dollars)	660	687

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