

S0201: Selected Population Profile in the United States
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Washington

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
TOTAL NUMBER OF RACES REPORTED		
Total population	6,549,224	293,120
One race	96.0%	74.9%
Two races	3.6%	20.4%
Three races	0.3%	4.4%
Four or more races	0.0%	0.3%
SEX AND AGE		
Total population	6,549,224	293,120
Male	49.9%	53.2%
Female	50.1%	46.8%
Under 5 years	6.6%	11.0%
5 to 17 years	16.9%	25.3%
18 to 24 years	9.4%	12.1%

25 to 34 years	13.9%	14.7%
35 to 44 years	14.2%	12.8%
45 to 54 years	15.2%	12.0%
55 to 64 years	11.8%	6.6%
65 to 74 years	6.4%	3.3%
75 years and over	5.6%	2.1%
Median age (years)	37.3	25.9
18 years and over	76.4%	63.7%
21 years and over	72.2%	57.4%
62 years and over	14.7%	6.5%
65 years and over	12.0%	5.5%
Under 18 years	1,543,060	106,472
Male	51.1%	51.8%
Female	48.9%	48.2%
18 years and over	5,006,164	186,648
Male	49.5%	54.0%

Female	50.5%	46.0%
18 to 34 years	1,526,665	78,465
Male	51.7%	55.0%
Female	48.3%	45.0%
35 to 64 years	2,696,602	92,186
Male	49.9%	54.8%
Female	50.1%	45.2%
65 years and over	782,897	15,997
Male	44.0%	44.2%
Female	56.0%	55.8%
RELATIONSHIP		
Population in households	6,405,562	281,017
Householder or spouse	59.6%	43.6%
Child	28.5%	41.9%
Other relatives	5.0%	8.2%
Nonrelatives	6.9%	6.3%

Unmarried partner	2.7%	2.1%
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE		
Households	2,547,663	93,142
Family households	64.2%	59.6%
With own children under 18 years	30.4%	37.1%
Married-couple family	49.9%	31.5%
With own children under 18 years	21.5%	16.7%
Female householder, no husband present, family	10.0%	21.0%
With own children under 18 years	6.4%	15.4%
Nonfamily households	35.8%	40.4%
Male householder	17.1%	23.1%
Living alone	12.9%	19.4%
Not living alone	4.2%	3.7%
Female householder	18.6%	17.3%
Living alone	15.2%	15.2%
Not living alone	3.5%	2.1%
Average household size	2.51	2.59
Average family size	3.09	3.43

MARITAL STATUS		
Population 15 years and over	5,277,716	203,749
Now married, except separated	51.5%	33.1%
Widowed	5.1%	3.4%
Divorced	12.5%	14.3%
Separated	1.6%	3.7%
Never married	29.3%	45.6%
Male 15 years and over	2,617,061	109,747
Now married, except separated	52.5%	35.1%
Widowed	2.1%	0.9%
Divorced	11.1%	12.6%
Separated	1.3%	3.0%
Never married	33.1%	48.4%
Female 15 years and over	2,660,655	94,002
Now married, except separated	50.5%	30.7%
Widowed	8.0%	6.3%
Divorced	13.9%	16.2%

Separated	2.0%	4.4%
Never married	25.5%	42.4%
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT		
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	1,627,156	105,722
Nursery school, preschool	6.0%	5.7%
Kindergarten	4.7%	4.5%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	41.5%	43.4%
High school (grades 9-12)	22.6%	24.6%
College or graduate school	25.2%	21.9%
Male 3 years and over enrolled in school		
Male 3 years and over enrolled in school	810,360	54,066
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	70.8%	75.9%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	22.7%	17.9%
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school		
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school	816,796	51,656
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	66.7%	68.8%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	27.7%	26.0%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 years and over	4,387,893	151,174

Less than high school diploma	10.4%	12.5%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	23.7%	24.2%
Some college or associate's degree	35.2%	44.1%
Bachelor's degree	19.8%	13.4%
Graduate or professional degree	10.9%	5.8%
High school graduate or higher	89.6%	87.5%
Male, high school graduate or higher	89.1%	90.1%
Female, high school graduate or higher	90.1%	84.5%
Bachelor's degree or higher	30.7%	19.1%
Male, bachelor's degree or higher	32.0%	19.0%
Female, bachelor's degree or higher	29.5%	19.3%
FERTILITY		
Women 15 to 50 years	1,632,826	70,754
Women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	100,430	4,905
Unmarried women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	27,277	1,600
As a percent of all women with a birth in the past 12 months	27.2%	32.6%
RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS		

Population 30 years and over	3,914,058	129,394
Living with grandchild(ren)	2.7%	5.6%
Responsible for grandchild(ren)	38.6%	52.6%
VETERAN STATUS		
Civilian population 18 years and over	4,942,947	181,402
Civilian veteran	12.3%	14.4%
DISABILITY STATUS		
Total civilian noninstitutionalized population	6,428,235	280,460
With a disability	12.2%	13.2%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	1,540,488	106,059
With a disability	3.9%	6.0%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	4,123,998	159,045
With a disability	10.4%	15.0%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 65 years and older	763,749	15,356
With a disability	38.3%	44.9%

RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO		
Population 1 year and over	6,457,410	285,518
Same house	82.0%	72.8%
Different house in the U.S.	17.0%	26.1%
Same county	10.8%	16.9%
Different county	6.2%	9.2%
Same state	3.1%	4.2%
Different state	3.2%	5.0%
Abroad	1.0%	1.1%
PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY		
Native	5,744,860	252,127
Male	50.0%	53.6%
Female	50.0%	46.4%
Foreign born	804,364	40,993
Male	49.0%	51.0%
Female	51.0%	49.0%

Foreign born; naturalized U.S. citizen	353,780	21,011
Male	44.4%	50.2%
Female	55.6%	49.8%
Foreign born; not a U.S. citizen	450,584	19,982
Male	52.6%	51.8%
Female	47.4%	48.2%
Population born outside the United States	804,364	40,993
Entered 2000 or later	31.2%	41.1%
Entered 1990 to 1999	31.1%	43.2%
Entered before 1990	37.8%	15.7%
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN		
Foreign-born population excluding population born at sea	804,364	40,993
Europe	18.0%	1.8%
Asia	39.2%	2.7%
Africa	4.9%	79.5%
Oceania	1.7%	0.0%
Latin America	30.6%	14.8%

Northern America	5.6%	1.2%
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH		
Population 5 years and over	6,115,594	260,945
English only	83.3%	82.5%
Language other than English	16.7%	17.5%
Speak English less than "very well"	7.6%	6.5%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS		
Population 16 years and over	5,187,535	199,361
In labor force	67.0%	67.1%
Civilian labor force	65.8%	64.5%
Employed	62.1%	57.2%
Unemployed	3.7%	7.2%
Percent of civilian labor force	5.6%	11.2%
Armed Forces	1.2%	2.6%
Not in labor force	33.0%	32.9%
Females 16 years and over	2,615,991	91,960
In labor force	60.9%	64.4%

Civilian labor force	60.5%	63.3%
Employed	57.3%	56.1%
Unemployed	3.3%	7.2%
Percent of civilian labor force	5.4%	11.4%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Workers 16 years and over	3,200,757	115,878
Car, truck, or van - drove alone	71.5%	68.3%
Car, truck, or van - carpooled	12.2%	11.3%
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	5.5%	11.2%
Walked	3.6%	4.2%
Other means	2.2%	2.1%
Worked at home	5.0%	2.9%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	25.4	26.8
OCCUPATION		
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	3,219,312	114,038
Management, professional, and related occupations	37.2%	25.7%
Service occupations	16.7%	21.7%
Sales and office occupations	24.2%	27.7%

Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	1.4%	0.4%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	9.3%	8.6%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	11.1%	16.0%
Male civilian employed population 16 years and over	1,720,866	62,442
Management, professional, and related occupations	35.4%	23.2%
Service occupations	12.9%	16.7%
Sales and office occupations	16.8%	20.4%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	2.1%	0.4%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	16.6%	14.1%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	16.2%	25.2%
Female civilian employed population 16 years and over	1,498,446	51,596
Management, professional, and related occupations	39.3%	28.7%
Service occupations	21.0%	27.7%
Sales and office occupations	32.8%	36.5%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0.7%	0.3%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	0.9%	1.9%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	5.3%	4.9%

INDUSTRY		
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	3,219,312	114,038
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	2.4%	0.5%
Construction	7.9%	5.2%
Manufacturing	10.7%	9.9%
Wholesale trade	3.1%	2.1%
Retail trade	11.6%	12.2%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	5.3%	9.6%
Information	2.6%	3.0%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	6.3%	6.0%
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	11.6%	8.2%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	20.2%	23.4%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	8.7%	8.1%
Other services (except public administration)	4.6%	4.0%
Public administration	5.0%	7.9%
CLASS OF WORKER		
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	3,219,312	114,038
Private wage and salary workers	77.6%	76.6%
Government workers	15.9%	19.9%

Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	6.3%	3.3%
Unpaid family workers	0.1%	0.2%
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2008 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)		
Households	2,547,663	93,142
Median household income (dollars)	58,078	40,032
With earnings	81.3%	84.9%
Mean earnings (dollars)	75,039	52,852
With Social Security income	24.8%	17.6%
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	15,498	11,604
With Supplemental Security Income	3.1%	5.7%
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	8,513	8,114
With cash public assistance income	3.4%	8.4%
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,406	3,562
With retirement income	18.0%	12.9%
Mean retirement income (dollars)	21,721	18,620
With Food Stamp benefits	8.7%	22.1%
Families	1,636,755	55,520

Median family income (dollars)	70,498	46,146
Married-couple family	77.6%	52.8%
Median income (dollars)	80,514	69,307
Male householder, no spouse present, family	6.8%	11.9%
Median income (dollars)	50,939	38,434
Female householder, no husband present, family	15.6%	35.3%
Median income (dollars)	33,676	25,204
Individuals	6,549,224	293,120
Per capita income (dollars)	30,212	18,610
With earnings for full-time, year-round workers:		
Male	1,348,781	48,837
Female	892,140	32,480
Mean earnings (dollars) for full-time, year-round workers:		
Male	65,934	50,280
Female	46,323	39,577
Median earnings (dollars) full-time, year-round workers:		
Male	51,272	41,776
Female	37,932	35,499

POVERTY RATES FOR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED		
All families	7.7%	18.9%
With related children under 18 years	12.3%	25.1%
With related children under 5 years only	14.3%	20.3%
Married-couple family	3.9%	8.2%
With related children under 18 years	5.5%	10.7%
With related children under 5 years only	6.5%	N
Female householder, no husband present, family	25.5%	37.3%
With related children under 18 years	33.0%	43.0%
With related children under 5 years only	42.0%	38.3%
All people	11.3%	22.5%
Under 18 years	14.3%	27.3%
Related children under 18 years	13.8%	26.8%
Related children under 5 years	17.1%	31.2%
Related children 5 to 17 years	12.5%	24.9%
18 years and over	10.4%	19.6%
18 to 64 years	10.9%	19.8%
65 years and over	8.2%	17.5%

People in families	8.4%	20.6%
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	22.3%	29.8%
HOUSING TENURE		
Occupied housing units	2,547,663	93,142
Owner-occupied housing units	65.3%	36.6%
Renter-occupied housing units	34.7%	63.4%
UNITS IN STRUCTURE		
Occupied housing units	2,547,663	93,142
1-unit, detached or attached	67.8%	46.7%
2 to 4 units	6.5%	12.1%
5 or more units	18.7%	39.6%
Mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.	7.1%	1.5%
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT		
Occupied housing units	2,547,663	93,142

Built 2000 or later	13.8%	14.7%
Built 1990 to 1999	18.4%	17.6%
Built 1980 to 1989	14.3%	15.2%
Built 1960 to 1979	28.1%	29.3%
Built 1940 to 1959	14.0%	13.8%
Built 1939 or earlier	11.4%	9.4%
VEHICLES AVAILABLE		
Occupied housing units	2,547,663	93,142
None	6.3%	12.9%
1 or more	93.7%	87.1%
HOUSE HEATING FUEL		
Occupied housing units	2,547,663	93,142
Gas	39.5%	27.5%
Electricity	51.9%	68.0%
All other fuels	8.4%	4.2%
No fuel used	0.2%	0.3%
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS		

Occupied housing units	2,547,663	93,142
No telephone service available	1.0%	2.6%
1.01 or more occupants per room	2.4%	4.1%
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)	1,218,486	27,914
Less than 30 percent	58.4%	43.2%
30 percent or more	41.6%	56.8%
OWNER CHARACTERISTICS		
Owner-occupied housing units	1,663,174	34,065
Median value (dollars)	308,100	311,300
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	1,763	2,020
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	469	472
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS		
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	841,521	57,724
Less than 30 percent	52.0%	40.3%
30 percent or more	48.0%	59.7%

GROSS RENT		
Occupied units paying rent	851,505	58,543
Median gross rent (dollars)	874	870

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