



Arizona

Selected Social Characteristics in the United States: 2005-2009
Data Set: **2005-2009 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates**
Survey: **American Community Survey**

NOTE. Although the American Community Survey (ACS) produces population, demographic and housing unit estimates, it is the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program that produces and disseminates the official estimates of the population for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns and estimates of housing units for states and counties.

For more information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see [Survey Methodology](#).

Selected Social Characteristics in the United States	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Margin of Error
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	2,248,170	+/-6,020	2,248,170	(X)
Family households (families)	1,492,544	+/-7,127	66.4%	+/-0.2
With own children under 18 years	690,517	+/-5,995	30.7%	+/-0.2
Married-couple family	1,115,833	+/-7,698	49.6%	+/-0.3
With own children under 18 years	468,839	+/-5,677	20.9%	+/-0.2
Male householder, no wife present, family	112,748	+/-2,402	5.0%	+/-0.1
With own children under 18 years	60,514	+/-1,927	2.7%	+/-0.1
Female householder, no husband present, family	263,963	+/-3,613	11.7%	+/-0.2
With own children under 18 years	161,164	+/-2,688	7.2%	+/-0.1
Nonfamily households	755,626	+/-5,427	33.6%	+/-0.2
Householder living alone	603,300	+/-5,007	26.8%	+/-0.2
65 years and over	196,454	+/-2,915	8.7%	+/-0.1
Households with one or more people under 18 years	768,540	+/-6,218	34.2%	+/-0.2
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	554,659	+/-2,857	24.7%	+/-0.1
Average household size	2.76	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.38	+/-0.01	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	6,207,824	*****	6,207,824	(X)
Householder	2,248,170	+/-6,020	36.2%	+/-0.1
Spouse	1,115,010	+/-7,675	18.0%	+/-0.1
Child	1,928,958	+/-7,046	31.1%	+/-0.1
Other relatives	501,277	+/-8,994	8.1%	+/-0.1
Nonrelatives	414,409	+/-7,601	6.7%	+/-0.1
Unmarried partner	144,933	+/-2,673	2.3%	+/-0.1
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	2,450,921	+/-382	2,450,921	(X)
Never married	844,832	+/-6,008	34.5%	+/-0.2
Now married, except separated	1,246,721	+/-7,707	50.9%	+/-0.3
Separated	38,988	+/-1,755	1.6%	+/-0.1
Widowed	61,874	+/-1,805	2.5%	+/-0.1
Divorced	258,506	+/-3,796	10.5%	+/-0.2
Females 15 years and over	2,469,414	+/-420	2,469,414	(X)
Never married	659,556	+/-5,122	26.7%	+/-0.2
Now married, except separated	1,198,843	+/-6,547	48.5%	+/-0.3
Separated	55,217	+/-1,863	2.2%	+/-0.1
Widowed	219,478	+/-2,410	8.9%	+/-0.1
Divorced	336,320	+/-4,201	13.6%	+/-0.2
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	94,426	+/-2,496	94,426	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	33,434	+/-1,332	35.4%	+/-1.1
Per 1,000 unmarried women	42	+/-2	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	62	+/-2	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	36	+/-3	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	111	+/-3	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	24	+/-1	(X)	(X)

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GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	144,237	+/-3,578	144,237	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	59,231	+/-2,326	41.1%	+/-1.2
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	13,986	+/-831	9.7%	+/-0.5
1 or 2 years	13,455	+/-1,015	9.3%	+/-0.6
3 or 4 years	10,951	+/-909	7.6%	+/-0.6
5 or more years	20,839	+/-1,180	14.4%	+/-0.8
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	59,231	+/-2,326	59,231	(X)
Who are female	35,510	+/-1,436	60.0%	+/-1.0
Who are married	42,856	+/-2,016	72.4%	+/-1.5
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	1,663,958	+/-6,183	1,663,958	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	87,471	+/-2,177	5.3%	+/-0.1
Kindergarten	92,019	+/-2,242	5.5%	+/-0.1
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	715,649	+/-2,903	43.0%	+/-0.2
High school (grades 9-12)	357,018	+/-2,634	21.5%	+/-0.2
College or graduate school	411,801	+/-4,827	24.7%	+/-0.2
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	4,062,351	+/-649	4,062,351	(X)
Less than 9th grade	291,115	+/-5,321	7.2%	+/-0.1
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	361,163	+/-5,144	8.9%	+/-0.1
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	1,040,513	+/-8,037	25.6%	+/-0.2
Some college, no degree	1,007,552	+/-6,170	24.8%	+/-0.2
Associate's degree	317,176	+/-4,115	7.8%	+/-0.1
Bachelor's degree	665,693	+/-6,054	16.4%	+/-0.1
Graduate or professional degree	379,139	+/-4,184	9.3%	+/-0.1
Percent high school graduate or higher	83.9%	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	25.7%	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	4,631,972	+/-1,028	4,631,972	(X)
Civilian veterans	550,681	+/-4,124	11.9%	+/-0.1
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	6,224,412	+/-2,298	6,224,412	(X)
Same house	4,941,017	+/-16,334	79.4%	+/-0.3
Different house in the U.S.	1,228,339	+/-15,436	19.7%	+/-0.2
Same county	844,470	+/-13,971	13.6%	+/-0.2
Different county	383,869	+/-7,642	6.2%	+/-0.1
Same state	118,889	+/-4,407	1.9%	+/-0.1
Different state	264,980	+/-6,432	4.3%	+/-0.1
Abroad	55,056	+/-3,419	0.9%	+/-0.1
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	6,324,865	*****	6,324,865	(X)
Native	5,394,224	+/-9,030	85.3%	+/-0.1
Born in United States	5,324,032	+/-8,846	84.2%	+/-0.1
State of residence	2,286,682	+/-10,023	36.2%	+/-0.2
Different state	3,037,350	+/-9,422	48.0%	+/-0.1
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	70,192	+/-1,810	1.1%	+/-0.1
Foreign born	930,641	+/-9,030	14.7%	+/-0.1
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	930,641	+/-9,030	930,641	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	283,812	+/-4,982	30.5%	+/-0.5
Not a U.S. citizen	646,829	+/-8,873	69.5%	+/-0.5

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YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	1,000,833	+/-8,846	1,000,833	(X)
Native	70,192	+/-1,810	70,192	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	10,298	+/-1,015	14.7%	+/-1.3
Entered before 2000	59,894	+/-1,611	85.3%	+/-1.3
Foreign born	930,641	+/-9,030	930,641	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	299,536	+/-7,672	32.2%	+/-0.7
Entered before 2000	631,105	+/-6,729	67.8%	+/-0.7
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	930,641	+/-9,030	930,641	(X)
Europe	85,542	+/-2,609	9.2%	+/-0.3
Asia	124,277	+/-2,452	13.4%	+/-0.3
Africa	20,539	+/-1,562	2.2%	+/-0.2
Oceania	3,345	+/-520	0.4%	+/-0.1
Latin America	661,345	+/-7,916	71.1%	+/-0.4
Northern America	35,593	+/-1,516	3.8%	+/-0.2
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	5,823,602	+/-315	5,823,602	(X)
English only	4,200,786	+/-8,781	72.1%	+/-0.2
Language other than English	1,622,816	+/-8,784	27.9%	+/-0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	690,719	+/-8,219	11.9%	+/-0.1
Spanish	1,261,134	+/-6,746	21.7%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	581,017	+/-7,656	10.0%	+/-0.1
Other Indo-European languages	123,634	+/-3,753	2.1%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	32,743	+/-1,714	0.6%	+/-0.1
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	90,835	+/-2,352	1.6%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	40,429	+/-1,689	0.7%	+/-0.1
Other languages	147,213	+/-3,091	2.5%	+/-0.1
Speak English less than "very well"	36,530	+/-1,962	0.6%	+/-0.1
ANCESTRY				
Total population	6,324,865	*****	6,324,865	(X)
American	272,464	+/-5,717	4.3%	+/-0.1
Arab	26,961	+/-1,964	0.4%	+/-0.1
Czech	29,381	+/-1,481	0.5%	+/-0.1
Danish	45,690	+/-2,465	0.7%	+/-0.1
Dutch	105,047	+/-2,785	1.7%	+/-0.1
English	644,981	+/-8,268	10.2%	+/-0.1
French (except Basque)	185,728	+/-4,215	2.9%	+/-0.1
French Canadian	35,769	+/-1,462	0.6%	+/-0.1
German	1,032,920	+/-9,206	16.3%	+/-0.1
Greek	24,245	+/-1,531	0.4%	+/-0.1
Hungarian	31,387	+/-1,724	0.5%	+/-0.1
Irish	685,254	+/-8,074	10.8%	+/-0.1
Italian	298,300	+/-5,235	4.7%	+/-0.1
Lithuanian	14,026	+/-1,071	0.2%	+/-0.1
Norwegian	120,105	+/-3,480	1.9%	+/-0.1
Polish	166,053	+/-3,593	2.6%	+/-0.1
Portuguese	17,847	+/-1,429	0.3%	+/-0.1
Russian	59,401	+/-2,237	0.9%	+/-0.1
Scotch-Irish	107,065	+/-3,115	1.7%	+/-0.1
Scottish	135,248	+/-3,541	2.1%	+/-0.1
Slovak	10,061	+/-974	0.2%	+/-0.1
Subsaharan African	26,943	+/-2,161	0.4%	+/-0.1
Swedish	112,327	+/-3,614	1.8%	+/-0.1
Swiss	20,481	+/-1,207	0.3%	+/-0.1
Ukrainian	14,402	+/-1,018	0.2%	+/-0.1
Welsh	46,832	+/-2,242	0.7%	+/-0.1
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	7,376	+/-999	0.1%	+/-0.1

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005-2009 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:

- Ancestry listed in this table refers to the total number of people who responded with a particular ancestry; for example, the estimate given for Russian represents the number of people who listed Russian as either their first or second ancestry. This table lists only the largest ancestry groups; see the Detailed Tables for more categories. Race and Hispanic origin groups are not included in this table because official data for those groups come from the Race and Hispanic origin questions rather than the ancestry question (see Demographic Table).
- The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Because of contextual differences between the 2008-2009 disability data and

disability data collected in prior years, the Census Bureau is unable to combine the 5 years of disability data in order to produce the multi-year estimate that would appear in this table. Multi-year estimates of disability status will become available once five consecutive years of data are collected. For more information about the differences between the 2008 and prior years' disability questions, see [Review of Changes to the Measurement of Disability in the 2008 ACS](#).

-Data for year of entry of the native population reflect the year of entry into the U.S. by people who were born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island Areas or born outside the U.S. to a U.S. citizen parent and who subsequently moved to the U.S.

-While the 2005-2009 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2008 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.

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.
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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.

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