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ACS DEMOGRAPHIC AND HOUSING ESTIMATES

2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Supporting documentation on code lists, subject definitions, data accuracy, and statistical testing can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Data and Documentation section.

Sample size and data quality measures (including coverage rates, allocation rates, and response rates) can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Methodology section.

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.

Subject	Boston city, Massachusetts			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
SEX AND AGE				
Total population	609,942	+/-49	609,942	(X)
Male	291,879	+/-927	47.9%	+/-0.2
Female	318,063	+/-926	52.1%	+/-0.2
Under 5 years	31,957	+/-611	5.2%	+/-0.1
5 to 9 years	26,416	+/-924	4.3%	+/-0.2
10 to 14 years	26,945	+/-849	4.4%	+/-0.1
15 to 19 years	51,553	+/-1,162	8.5%	+/-0.2
20 to 24 years	83,154	+/-1,137	13.6%	+/-0.2
25 to 34 years	126,489	+/-932	20.7%	+/-0.2
35 to 44 years	77,932	+/-802	12.8%	+/-0.1
45 to 54 years	68,890	+/-739	11.3%	+/-0.1
55 to 59 years	29,943	+/-903	4.9%	+/-0.1
60 to 64 years	25,312	+/-891	4.1%	+/-0.1
65 to 74 years	31,474	+/-440	5.2%	+/-0.1
75 to 84 years	20,292	+/-612	3.3%	+/-0.1
85 years and over	9,585	+/-532	1.6%	+/-0.1
Median age (years)	30.8	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
18 years and over	505,795	+/-821	82.9%	+/-0.1
21 years and over	453,705	+/-1,963	74.4%	+/-0.3
62 years and over	74,984	+/-873	12.3%	+/-0.1
65 years and over	61,351	+/-613	10.1%	+/-0.1
18 years and over	505,795	+/-821	505,795	(X)
Male	238,848	+/-918	47.2%	+/-0.1
Female	266,947	+/-749	52.8%	+/-0.1
65 years and over	61,351	+/-613	61,351	(X)
Male	24,529	+/-385	40.0%	+/-0.5
Female	36,822	+/-443	60.0%	+/-0.5

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
RACE				
Total population	609,942	+/-49	609,942	(X)
One race	587,225	+/-1,528	96.3%	+/-0.3
Two or more races	22,717	+/-1,529	3.7%	+/-0.3
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White	327,192	+/-2,503	53.6%	+/-0.4
Black or African American	153,307	+/-2,006	25.1%	+/-0.3
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,876	+/-449	0.3%	+/-0.1
Cherokee tribal grouping	164	+/-124	0.0%	+/-0.1
Chippewa tribal grouping	35	+/-50	0.0%	+/-0.1
Navajo tribal grouping	8	+/-14	0.0%	+/-0.1
Sioux tribal grouping	14	+/-23	0.0%	+/-0.1
Asian	55,190	+/-838	9.0%	+/-0.1
Asian Indian	7,398	+/-928	1.2%	+/-0.2
Chinese	25,468	+/-1,180	4.2%	+/-0.2
Filipino	1,921	+/-509	0.3%	+/-0.1
Japanese	1,472	+/-437	0.2%	+/-0.1
Korean	3,507	+/-515	0.6%	+/-0.1
Vietnamese	11,302	+/-1,148	1.9%	+/-0.2
Other Asian	4,122	+/-770	0.7%	+/-0.1
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	353	+/-159	0.1%	+/-0.1
Native Hawaiian	21	+/-31	0.0%	+/-0.1
Guamanian or Chamorro	52	+/-51	0.0%	+/-0.1
Samoan	53	+/-49	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other Pacific Islander	227	+/-136	0.0%	+/-0.1
Some other race	49,307	+/-2,630	8.1%	+/-0.4
Two or more races	22,717	+/-1,529	3.7%	+/-0.3
White and Black or African American	11,410	+/-1,164	1.9%	+/-0.2
White and American Indian and Alaska Native	1,033	+/-210	0.2%	+/-0.1
White and Asian	2,561	+/-478	0.4%	+/-0.1
Black or African American and American Indian and Alaska Native	972	+/-359	0.2%	+/-0.1
Race alone or in combination with one or more other races				
Total population	609,942	+/-49	609,942	(X)
White	345,916	+/-2,515	56.7%	+/-0.4
Black or African American	169,465	+/-2,147	27.8%	+/-0.4
American Indian and Alaska Native	5,153	+/-698	0.8%	+/-0.1
Asian	59,068	+/-838	9.7%	+/-0.1
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	902	+/-242	0.1%	+/-0.1
Some other race	54,010	+/-2,672	8.9%	+/-0.4
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE				
Total population	609,942	+/-49	609,942	(X)
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	105,484	+/-1,593	17.3%	+/-0.3
Mexican	6,319	+/-868	1.0%	+/-0.1
Puerto Rican	29,741	+/-1,909	4.9%	+/-0.3
Cuban	2,447	+/-447	0.4%	+/-0.1
Other Hispanic or Latino	66,977	+/-2,083	11.0%	+/-0.3
Not Hispanic or Latino	504,458	+/-1,586	82.7%	+/-0.3
White alone	287,554	+/-1,776	47.1%	+/-0.3
Black or African American alone	140,612	+/-1,348	23.1%	+/-0.2
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	1,069	+/-221	0.2%	+/-0.1
Asian alone	54,868	+/-845	9.0%	+/-0.1
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	228	+/-98	0.0%	+/-0.1
Some other race alone	8,889	+/-1,109	1.5%	+/-0.2
Two or more races	11,238	+/-970	1.8%	+/-0.2
Two races including Some other race	1,688	+/-398	0.3%	+/-0.1

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	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
Two races excluding Some other race, and Three or more races	9,550	+/-941	1.6%	+/-0.2
Total housing units	272,007	+/-1,461	(X)	(X)

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.

The ACS questions on Hispanic origin and race were revised in 2008 to make them consistent with the Census 2010 question wording. Any changes in estimates for 2008 and beyond may be due to demographic changes, as well as factors including questionnaire changes, differences in ACS population controls, and methodological differences in the population estimates, and therefore should be used with caution. For a summary of questionnaire changes see http://www.census.gov/acs/www/methodology/questionnaire_changes/. For more information about changes in the estimates see http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/hispanic/reports.html.

For more information on understanding race and Hispanic origin data, please see the Census 2010 Brief entitled, Overview of Race and Hispanic Origin: 2010, issued March 2011. (pdf format)

While the 2007-2011 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the December 2009 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.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey

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.
5. An '***' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the median falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution. A statistical test is not appropriate.
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.