



American Community Survey

2007-2011 Estimate

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About the American Community Survey

The American Community Survey (ACS) is an annual survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. The ACS asks a host of demographic, economic, and housing related questions that were historically associated with the now discontinued long-form of the Census.

The ACS is a sample of the total population. As a result, the data are subject to sampling error. All counts displayed in the ACS are **estimates** with a plus/minus factor for all counts and percentages. Additionally, because of the small sample sizes of the ACS, it is not possible to estimate characteristics for small geographies with the one-year data collections. In order to look at small areas within a city, such as neighborhoods, data users need to use the 5-year ACS estimates. It is important to note that the 2007-2011 ACS data are not Census counts, but rather estimates of population characteristics. As a result, counts estimated in this report will not match those corresponding population counts observed in the 2010 Census.

Please note that subcategory percentages in this report reflect the percentage within the category it is associated with and not the percentage within the total. Major categories are typically highlighted in purple in this report. Subcategories are distinguished by indented text. A glossary of select terms is included at the end of this report.

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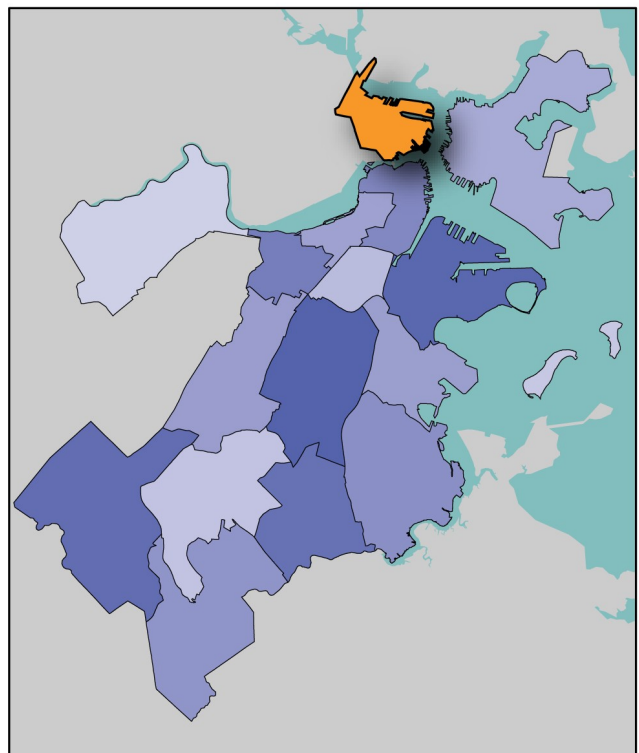


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Demographic Characteristics

Total Population

Total Population	Estimate	%
Total population:	16,685	100.0%
Male	7,843	47.0%
Female	8,842	53.0%

Race/Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity*	Estimate	% [†]
Total population:	16,685	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino:	15,458	92.6%
White alone	12,587	75.4%
Black or African American alone	1,224	7.3%
Asian alone	1,253	7.5%
Two or more races	371	2.2%
Other	23	0.1%
Hispanic or Latino	1,227	7.4%

**“Hispanic” is not considered a racial category by the Federal Office of Management and Budget. For this analysis, we removed people of Hispanic origin from each racial group and created a separate category of “Hispanic or Latino”.*

† All percentages in this table are of the total population.

Age

Age	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Total population:	16,685	100.0%	40 to 44 years	1,206 7.2%
Under 5 years	1,220	7.3%	45 to 49 years	752 4.5%
5 to 9 years	707	4.2%	50 to 54 years	951 5.7%
10 to 14 years	542	3.2%	55 to 59 years	1,115 6.7%
15 to 17 years	299	1.8%	60 to 64 years	835 5.0%
18 and 19 years	370	2.2%	65 to 69 years	595 3.6%
20 to 24 years	845	5.1%	70 to 74 years	254 1.5%
25 to 29 years	2,428	14.6%	75 to 79 years	320 1.9%
30 to 34 years	2,055	12.3%	80 to 84 years	334 2.0%
35 to 39 years	1,615	9.7%	85 years and over	242 1.5%

Place of Birth by Citizenship Status

Place of Birth by Citizenship Status	Estimate	%
Total population:	16,685	100.0%
Native:	14,029	84.1%
Born in Massachusetts	9,459	67.4%
Born in other state in the United States:	4,361	31.1%
Northeast	2,599	
Midwest	681	
South	426	
West	655	
Born outside the United States:	209	1.5%
Puerto Rico	87	
U.S. Island Areas	0	
Born abroad of American parent(s)	122	
Foreign born:	2,656	15.9%
Naturalized U.S. citizen	1,289	48.5%
Not a U.S. citizen	1,367	51.5%

Citizenship Status by Year of Entry in the United States

Citizenship Status by Year of Entry in the U.S.	Estimate	%
Total population born outside the United States:	2,865	100.0%
Entered 2000 or later:	1,135	39.6%
Native*	6	0.5%
Foreign born:	1,129	99.5%
Naturalized U.S. citizen	349	
Not a U.S. citizen	780	
Entered 1990 to 1999:	776	27.1%
Native*	37	4.8%
Foreign born:	739	95.2%
Naturalized U.S. citizen	346	
Not a U.S. citizen	393	
Entered 1980 to 1989:	461	16.1%
Native*	50	10.8%
Foreign born:	411	89.2%
Naturalized U.S. citizen	348	
Not a U.S. citizen	63	
Entered before 1980:	493	17.2%
Native*	116	23.5%
Foreign born:	377	76.5%
Naturalized U.S. citizen	246	
Not a U.S. citizen	131	

* Born in Puerto Rico, the U.S. Island Areas, or born abroad of American parent(s)

Place of Birth for the Foreign-Born Population

Place of Birth for the Foreign-Born Population (Top 10 Countries)	Estimate	%
Total population born outside the United States:	2,656	100.0%
China	852	32.1%
Dominican Republic	514	19.4%
Canada	102	3.8%
Russia	87	3.3%
India	86	3.2%
United Kingdom (Inc. Crown Dependencies)	74	2.8%
Brazil	69	2.6%
Korea	66	2.5%
Cape Verde	52	2.0%
Philippines	51	1.9%

Language Spoken at Home

Language Spoken at Home by Age for the Population 5 Years and Over	Estimate	%
Total population:	15,465	100.0%
5 to 17 years:	1,548	10.0%
Speak only English	1,111	71.8%
Speak Spanish	325	21.0%
Speak other Indo-European languages	37	2.4%
Speak Asian and Pacific Island languages	75	4.8%
Speak other languages	0	0.0%
18 to 64 years:	12,172	78.7%
Speak only English	9,861	81.0%
Speak Spanish	783	6.4%
Speak other Indo-European languages	418	3.4%
Speak Asian and Pacific Island languages	988	8.1%
Speak other languages	122	1.0%
65 years and over:	1,745	11.3%
Speak only English	1,518	87.0%
Speak Spanish	89	5.1%
Speak other Indo-European languages	49	2.8%
Speak Asian and Pacific Island languages	57	3.3%
Speak other languages	32	1.8%

Linguistic Isolation by Household Language

Linguistic Isolation by Household Language	Estimate	%
Total households:	7,939	100.0%
English only	6,538	82.4%
Spanish:	480	6.0%
Linguistically isolated	196	40.8%
Not linguistically isolated	284	59.2%
Other Indo-European languages:	369	4.6%
Linguistically isolated	70	19.0%
Not linguistically isolated	299	81.0%
Asian and Pacific Island languages:	462	5.8%
Linguistically isolated	262	56.7%
Not linguistically isolated	200	43.3%
Other languages:	90	1.1%
Linguistically isolated	8	8.9%
Not linguistically isolated	82	91.1%

Marital Status by Sex

Marital Status by Sex for the Population 15 Years and Over	Estimate	%
Total population:	14,216	100.0%
Male:	6,536	46.0%
Never married	2,905	44.4%
Married:	3,136	48.0%
Married, spouse present	2,909	
Married, spouse absent:	227	
Separated	118	
Other	109	
Widowed	116	1.8%
Divorced	379	5.8%
Female:	7,680	54.0%
Never married	3,379	44.0%
Married:	3,184	41.5%
Married, spouse present	2,801	
Married, spouse absent:	383	
Separated	192	
Other	191	
Widowed	477	6.2%
Divorced	640	8.3%

Presence and Age of Related Children by Family Type

Presence and Age of Related Children by Family Type	Estimate	%
Total families:	3,904	100.0%
Married-couple family:	2,813	72.1%
With related children under 18 years:	1,046	37.2%
Under 6 years only	565	
Under 6 years and 6 to 17 years	128	
6 to 17 years only	353	
No related children under 18 years	1,767	62.8%
Other family:	1,091	27.9%
Male householder, no wife present:	220	20.2%
With related children under 18 years:	81	
Under 6 years only	11	
Under 6 years and 6 to 17 years	24	
6 to 17 years only	46	
No related children under 18 years	139	
Female householder, no husband present:	871	79.8%
With related children under 18 years:	489	
Under 6 years only	161	
Under 6 years and 6 to 17 years	94	
6 to 17 years only	234	
No related children under 18 years	382	

Educational Attainment by Sex

Educational Attainment for Population 25 Years and Over	Total	%	Male	%	Female	%
Total population:	12,702	100.0%	5,768	100.0%	6,934	100.0%
Less than high school diploma	1,285	10.1%	513	8.9%	772	11.1%
High school graduate, GED, or alternative	2,224	17.5%	887	15.4%	1,337	19.3%
Some college	1,316	10.4%	556	9.6%	760	11.0%
Associate's degree	364	2.9%	134	2.3%	230	3.3%
Bachelor's degree or higher	7,513	59.1%	3,678	63.8%	3,835	55.3%

Veteran Status

Veteran Status for the Population 18 Years and Over	Estimate	%
Total population:	13,917	100.0%
Veteran	810	5.8%
Non-veteran	13,085	94.0%
Active	22	0.2%

Economic Characteristics

Employment Status

Employment Status for the Population 16 Years and Over	Estimate	%	16 to 19 Years	%	20 to 24 Years	%	25 to 34 Years	%
Total population:	14,153	100.0%	606	100.0%	845	100.0%	4,483	100.0%
In labor force:	10,685	75.5%	286	47.2%	714	84.5%	4,095	91.3%
In Armed Forces	22	0.2%	0	0.0%	8	1.1%	0	0.0%
Civilian:	10,663	99.8%	286	100.0%	706	98.9%	4,095	100.0%
Employed	9,861	92.5%	123	43.0%	656	92.9%	3,945	96.3%
Unemployed	802	7.5%	163	57.0%	50	7.1%	150	3.7%
Not in labor force	3,468	24.5%	320	52.8%	131	15.5%	388	8.7%

Employment Status for the Population 16 Years and Over	35 to 44 Years	%	45 to 54 Years	%	55 to 64 Years	%	65 Years and Over	%
Total population:	2,821	100.0%	1,703	100.0%	1,950	100.0%	1,745	100.0%
In labor force:	2,529	89.6%	1,321	77.6%	1,433	73.5%	307	17.6%
In Armed Forces	14	0.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Civilian:	2,515	99.4%	1,321	100.0%	1,433	100.0%	307	100.0%
Employed	2,351	93.5%	1,200	90.8%	1,293	90.2%	293	95.4%
Unemployed	164	6.5%	121	9.2%	140	9.8%	14	4.6%
Not in labor force	292	10.4%	382	22.4%	517	26.5%	1,438	82.4%

Work Status by Sex

Work Status in the Past 12 Months for Population 16-64 Years	Estimate	%
Total population:	12,408	100.0%
Male:	5,724	46.1%
Worked in the past 12 months	4,879	85.2%
Did not work in the past 12 months	845	14.8%
Female:	6,684	53.9%
Worked in the past 12 months	5,408	80.9%
Did not work in the past 12 months	1,276	19.1%

Class of Worker

Class of Worker for the Civilian Employed Population 16 Years and Over	Estimate	%
Total population:	9,861	100.0%
Private for-profit wage and salary workers:	7,323	74.3%
Employee of private company workers	7,002	95.6%
Self-employed in own incorporated business workers	321	4.4%
Private not-for-profit wage and salary workers	1,076	10.9%
Local government workers	600	6.1%
State government workers	322	3.3%
Federal government workers	108	1.1%
Self-employed in own not incorporated business workers	425	4.3%
Unpaid family workers	7	0.1%

Industry for the Civilian Employed Population

Industry for the Civilian Employed Population 16 Years and Over	Estimate	%
Total population:	9,861	100.0%
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	9	0.1%
Construction	229	2.3%
Manufacturing	609	6.2%
Wholesale trade	309	3.1%
Retail trade	434	4.4%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	305	3.1%
Information	301	3.1%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	1,671	16.9%
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	2,449	24.8%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	1,827	18.5%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	931	9.4%
Other services, except public administration	321	3.3%
Public administration	466	4.7%

Occupation for the Civilian Employed Population

Occupation for the Civilian Employed Population 16 Years and Over	Estimate	%
Total population:	9,861	100.0%
Management, business, science, and arts occupations:	5,374	54.5%
Management, business, and financial occupations	2,981	55.5%
Computer, engineering, and science occupations	682	12.7%
Education, legal, community service, arts, and media occupations	1,285	23.9%
Healthcare practitioner and technical occupations	426	7.9%
Service occupations:	1,350	13.7%
Healthcare support occupations	113	8.4%
Protective service occupations	294	21.8%
Food preparation and serving related occupations	593	43.9%
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations	171	12.7%
Personal care and service occupations	179	13.3%
Sales and office occupations:	2,430	24.6%
Sales and related occupations	1,373	56.5%
Office and administrative support occupations	1,057	43.5%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations:	314	3.2%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	0	0.0%
Construction and extraction occupations	207	65.9%
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	107	34.1%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations:	393	4.0%
Production occupations	217	55.2%
Transportation and material moving occupations	128	32.6%
Material moving occupations	48	12.2%

Per Capita Income

Per Capita Income in the Past 12 Months*	Estimate
Per capita income	\$58,566

* In 2011 inflation-adjusted dollars

Household Income

Household Income in the Past 12 Months*	Estimate	%
Total households:	7,939	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	729	9.2%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	549	6.9%
\$15,000 to \$19,999	226	2.8%
\$20,000 to \$24,999	213	2.7%
\$25,000 to \$29,999	236	3.0%
\$30,000 to \$34,999	228	2.9%
\$35,000 to \$39,999	150	1.9%
\$40,000 to \$44,999	76	1.0%
\$45,000 to \$49,999	319	4.0%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	302	3.8%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	507	6.4%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	770	9.7%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	710	8.9%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	643	8.1%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	854	10.8%
\$200,000 or more	1,427	18.0%

Family Income

Family Income in the Past 12 Months*	Estimate	%
Total families:	3,904	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	326	8.4%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	279	7.1%
\$15,000 to \$19,999	128	3.3%
\$20,000 to \$24,999	90	2.3%
\$25,000 to \$29,999	114	2.9%
\$30,000 to \$34,999	99	2.5%
\$35,000 to \$39,999	72	1.8%
\$40,000 to \$44,999	22	0.6%
\$45,000 to \$49,999	177	4.5%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	154	3.9%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	189	4.8%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	294	7.5%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	276	7.1%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	263	6.7%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	523	13.4%
\$200,000 or more	898	23.0%

Median Household Income \$89,107

Median Family Income \$100,725

* In 2011 inflation-adjusted dollars

Receipt of Food Stamps/SNAP by Poverty Status for Households

Receipt of Food Stamps/SNAP in the Past 12 Months by Poverty Status for Households	Estimate	%
Total households:	7,939	100.0%
Household received Food Stamps/SNAP in the past 12 months:	1,009	12.7%
Income in the past 12 months below poverty level	791	78.4%
Income in the past 12 months at or above poverty level	218	21.6%
Household did NOT receive Food Stamps/SNAP in the past 12 months:	6,930	87.3%
Income in the past 12 months below poverty level	422	6.1%
Income in the past 12 months at or above poverty level	6,508	93.9%

Poverty Status by Household

Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months by Household Type	Total Estimate	%	Households in Poverty Estimate	% of Households in Poverty*	Poverty Rate [†]
Total households:	7,939	100.0%	1,213	100.0%	15.3%
Family households	3,904	49.2%	709	58.5%	18.2%
Non-family households:	4,035	50.8%	504	41.5%	12.5%
Male householder	1,963	48.6%	197	16.2%	10.0%
Female householder	2,072	51.4%	307	25.3%	14.8%

Poverty Status by Family

Poverty Status by Family Type	Total Estimate	%	Families in Poverty Estimate	% of all Families in Poverty*	Poverty Rate [†]
Total families:	3,904	100.0%	709	100.0%	18.2%
Married-couple family:	2,813	72.1%	230	32.4%	8.2%
With related children under 18 years:	1,046	37.2%	124	17.5%	11.9%
Under 5 years only	523		18		3.4%
Under 5 years and 5 to 17 years	161		73		45.3%
5 to 17 years only	362		33		9.1%
No related children under 18 years	1,767	62.8%	106	15.0%	6.0%
Other family:	1,091	27.9%	479	67.6%	43.9%
Male householder, no wife present:	220	20.2%	24	3.4%	10.9%
With related children under 18 years:	81		24		29.6%
Under 5 years only	11		0		0.0%
Under 5 years and 5 to 17 years	24		24		100.0%
5 to 17 years only	46		0		0.0%
No related children under 18 years	139		0		0.0%
Female householder, no husband present:	871	79.8%	455	64.2%	52.2%
With related children under 18 years:	489		339		69.3%
Under 5 years only	113		71		62.8%
Under 5 years and 5 to 17 years	98		80		81.6%
5 to 17 years only	278		188		67.6%
No related children under 18 years	382		116		30.4%

* Percentages represented are of all households/families in poverty.

† Poverty rate is the total number of households/families in poverty for a particular group divided by the total number of households/families for that group.

Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income

Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income in the Past 12 Months			Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income in the Past 12 Months		
	Estimate	%		Estimate	%
Total households:	4,340	100.0%			
Less than \$10,000:	696	16.0%	\$50,000 to \$74,999:	492	11.3%
Less than 20.0 percent	25	3.6%	Less than 20.0 percent	206	41.9%
20.0 to 24.9 percent	68	9.8%	20.0 to 24.9 percent	72	14.6%
25.0 to 29.9 percent	105	15.1%	25.0 to 29.9 percent	65	13.2%
30.0 to 34.9 percent	75	10.8%	30.0 to 34.9 percent	30	6.1%
35.0 percent or more	298	42.8%	35.0 percent or more	119	24.2%
Not computed	125	18.0%	Not computed	0	0.0%
\$10,000 to \$19,999:	661	15.2%	\$75,000 to \$99,999:	308	7.1%
Less than 20.0 percent	81	12.3%	Less than 20.0 percent	165	53.6%
20.0 to 24.9 percent	8	1.2%	20.0 to 24.9 percent	62	20.1%
25.0 to 29.9 percent	207	31.3%	25.0 to 29.9 percent	23	7.5%
30.0 to 34.9 percent	132	20.0%	30.0 to 34.9 percent	34	11.0%
35.0 percent or more	233	35.2%	35.0 percent or more	24	7.8%
Not computed	0	0.0%	Not computed	0	0.0%
\$20,000 to \$34,999:	523	12.1%	\$100,000 or more:	1,247	28.7%
Less than 20.0 percent	142	27.2%	Less than 20.0 percent	1,005	80.6%
20.0 to 24.9 percent	17	3.3%	20.0 to 24.9 percent	183	14.7%
25.0 to 29.9 percent	94	18.0%	25.0 to 29.9 percent	48	3.8%
30.0 to 34.9 percent	64	12.2%	30.0 to 34.9 percent	11	0.9%
35.0 percent or more	177	33.8%	35.0 percent or more	0	0.0%
Not computed	29	5.5%	Not computed	0	0.0%
\$35,000 to \$49,999:	413	9.5%			
Less than 20.0 percent	158	38.3%			
20.0 to 24.9 percent	52	12.6%			
25.0 to 29.9 percent	56	13.6%			
30.0 to 34.9 percent	46	11.1%			
35.0 percent or more	39	9.4%			
Not computed	62	15.0%			

Household Income by Race*

Household Income in the Past 12 Months	White Alone, not Hispanic or Latino		Black or African American		Hispanic or Latino		Asian Alone		Other	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
Total households:	6,521	100.0%	466	100.0%	348	100.0%	459	100.0%	292	100.0%
Less than \$10,000	431	6.6%	179	38.4%	64	18.4%	29	6.3%	90	30.8%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	305	4.7%	126	27.0%	3	0.9%	84	18.3%	31	10.6%
\$15,000 to \$19,999	125	1.9%	8	1.7%	34	9.8%	47	10.2%	34	11.6%
\$20,000 to \$24,999	188	2.9%	11	2.4%	14	4.0%	0	0.0%	9	3.1%
\$25,000 to \$29,999	132	2.0%	31	6.7%	50	14.4%	23	5.0%	21	7.2%
\$30,000 to \$34,999	164	2.5%	10	2.1%	54	15.5%	10	2.2%	0	0.0%
\$35,000 to \$39,999	72	1.1%	48	10.3%	44	12.6%	7	1.5%	0	0.0%
\$40,000 to \$44,999	76	1.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$45,000 to \$49,999	179	2.7%	12	2.6%	55	15.8%	28	6.1%	45	15.4%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	296	4.5%	6	1.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	486	7.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	2.6%	9	3.1%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	719	11.0%	23	4.9%	5	1.4%	12	2.6%	11	3.8%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	599	9.2%	0	0.0%	3	0.9%	102	22.2%	6	2.1%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	643	9.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	788	12.1%	12	2.6%	0	0.0%	43	9.4%	11	3.8%
\$200,000 or more	1,318	20.2%	0	0.0%	22	6.3%	62	13.5%	25	8.6%
Median Household Income	\$103,652		\$12,143		\$30,833		\$61,875		\$18,676	

* In 2011 inflation-adjusted dollars.

Due to data reporting limitation, it is not possible to separate the Hispanic or Latino population from any racial group except for white. As a result, the aggregate number of all races in the table will exceed the total number of households.

Housing Characteristics

Occupancy Status

Occupancy Status	Estimate	%
Total housing units:	8,489	100.0%
Occupied	7,939	93.5%
Vacant:	550	6.5%
For rent	87	15.8%
Rented, not occupied	15	2.7%
For sale only	89	16.2%
Sold, not occupied	26	4.7%
For seasonal, recreational, or occasional use	48	8.7%
For migrant workers	0	0.0%
Other vacant	285	51.8%

Vacancy Rates

Vacancy Rates	Estimate
Total rental housing stock	4,442
Rental vacancy rate*	2.0%
Total ownership housing stock	3,714
Ownership vacancy rate*	2.4%
“Second homes” as % of housing stock [†]	0.6%

*Vacancy rate is vacant units (for rent or for sale) divided by housing stock.

[†]Seasonal, recreational or occasional use housing units are always counted as vacant. Part-time residents are counted at their usual place of residence.

Gross Rent

Median Gross Rent	Estimate
Median gross rent	\$939

Housing Tenure

Occupancy Status	Estimate	%
Occupied housing units:	7,939	100.0%
Average household size of all occupied housing units	2.1	
Owner-occupied housing units:	3,599	45.3%
Population in owner-occupied housing units	7,286	
Average household size of owner-occupied units	2.1	
Number of 1-person households	1,354	
Renter-occupied housing units:	4,340	54.7%
Population in renter-occupied housing units	9,263	
Average household size of renter-occupied units	2.1	
Number of 1-person households	1,760	

Household Type

Population by Household Type	Estimate	%
Total population:	16,685	100.0%
In households:	16,549	99.2%
In family households	11,431	69.1%
In non-family households	5,118	30.9%
In group quarters	136	0.8%

Household Type by Age	Estimate	%
Total households:	7,939	100.0%
Households with one or more people under 18 years:	1,616	20.4%
Family households:	1,616	100.0%
Married-couple family	1,046	64.7%
Male householder, no wife present	81	5.0%
Female householder, no husband present	489	30.3%
Non-family households	0	0.0%
Households with no people under 18 years:	6,323	79.6%
Family households:	2,288	36.2%
Married-couple family	1,767	
Male householder, no wife present	139	
Female householder, no husband present	382	
Non-family households:	4,035	63.8%
Male householder	1,963	
Female Householder	2,072	
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	1,365	17.2%

Glossary

Family

A group of two or more people who reside together and who are related by birth, marriage, or adoption.

Gross Rent

The amount of the contract rent plus the estimated average monthly cost of utilities (electricity, gas, and water and sewer) and fuels (oil, coal, kerosene, wood, etc.) if these are paid for by the renter (or paid for the renter by someone else). Gross rent is intended to eliminate differentials that result from varying practices with respect to the inclusion of utilities and fuels as part of the rental payment.

Household

A household includes all the people, related or otherwise, who occupy a housing unit as their usual place of residence.

Linguistic Isolation

A household that is linguistically isolated is one in which no one 14 years of age and over speaks English very well.

Related Children

Includes all people in a household under the age of 18, regardless of marital status, who are related to the householder. Does not include householder's spouse or foster children, regardless of age.

SNAP

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as the Food Stamps program, provides eligible households with coupons that can be used to purchase food. It is administered by the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) through state and local welfare offices. SNAP is the major national income support program for which all low-income and low-resource households, regardless of household characteristics, are eligible. In general, households must meet certain tests, including resources and income tests, to be eligible for SNAP benefits. For example, through September 2013, a household of four earning up to a net monthly income of \$1,921 would be eligible for a maximum monthly allotment of \$668.

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Agriculture