

SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS
2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Note: This is a modified view of the original table.

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.

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.

Subject	United States		Seattle city, Washington	
	Estimate	Percent	Estimate	Percent
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	132,741,033	132,741,033	311,286	311,286
Occupied housing units	116,211,092	87.5%	290,822	93.4%
Vacant housing units	16,529,941	12.5%	20,464	6.6%
Homeowner vacancy rate	2.1	(X)	1.8	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	6.9	(X)	3.0	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	132,741,033	132,741,033	311,286	311,286
1-unit, detached	81,840,073	61.7%	137,632	44.2%
1-unit, attached	7,725,793	5.8%	13,549	4.4%
2 units	4,976,158	3.7%	9,802	3.1%
3 or 4 units	5,880,728	4.4%	13,154	4.2%
5 to 9 units	6,341,597	4.8%	19,354	6.2%
10 to 19 units	5,950,183	4.5%	26,216	8.4%
20 or more units	11,410,553	8.6%	90,127	29.0%
Mobile home	8,506,996	6.4%	1,245	0.4%
Boat, RV, van, etc.	108,952	0.1%	207	0.1%
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	132,741,033	132,741,033	311,286	311,286
Built 2010 or later	1,315,426	1.0%	5,365	1.7%
Built 2000 to 2009	19,803,260	14.9%	44,752	14.4%
Built 1990 to 1999	18,512,067	13.9%	25,208	8.1%
Built 1980 to 1989	18,346,272	13.8%	24,355	7.8%
Built 1970 to 1979	20,978,482	15.8%	28,706	9.2%
Built 1960 to 1969	14,626,326	11.0%	29,543	9.5%
Built 1950 to 1959	14,374,462	10.8%	35,174	11.3%
Built 1940 to 1949	7,119,373	5.4%	29,513	9.5%
Built 1939 or earlier	17,665,365	13.3%	88,670	28.5%
ROOMS				
Total housing units	132,741,033	132,741,033	311,286	311,286
1 room	2,592,537	2.0%	20,719	6.7%
2 rooms	3,296,927	2.5%	29,659	9.5%
3 rooms	12,118,439	9.1%	54,518	17.5%
4 rooms	22,035,203	16.6%	54,344	17.5%
5 rooms	27,098,008	20.4%	40,952	13.2%
6 rooms	23,977,269	18.1%	31,998	10.3%
7 rooms	16,292,098	12.3%	26,822	8.6%
8 rooms	11,253,941	8.5%	20,663	6.6%
9 rooms or more	14,076,611	10.6%	31,611	10.2%
Median rooms	5.5	(X)	4.4	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	132,741,033	132,741,033	311,286	311,286
No bedroom	2,881,051	2.2%	24,865	8.0%
1 bedroom	14,819,392	11.2%	82,609	26.5%
2 bedrooms	35,427,481	26.7%	87,202	28.0%
3 bedrooms	52,700,275	39.7%	67,842	21.8%
4 bedrooms	21,306,928	16.1%	35,232	11.3%
5 or more bedrooms	5,605,906	4.2%	13,536	4.3%
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	116,211,092	116,211,092	290,822	290,822
Owner-occupied	74,787,460	64.4%	134,357	46.2%
Renter-occupied	41,423,632	35.6%	156,465	53.8%
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.70	(X)	2.39	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.52	(X)	1.88	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	116,211,092	116,211,092	290,822	290,822

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2014
2013
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Subject	United States		Seattle city, Washington	
	Estimate	Percent	Estimate	Percent
Moved in 2010 or later	29,066,830	25.0%	105,149	36.2%
Moved in 2000 to 2009	47,790,733	41.1%	117,346	40.3%
Moved in 1990 to 1999	19,278,432	16.6%	33,637	11.6%
Moved in 1980 to 1989	9,217,041	7.9%	17,015	5.9%
Moved in 1970 to 1979	6,106,304	5.3%	9,550	3.3%
Moved in 1969 or earlier	4,751,752	4.1%	8,125	2.8%
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	116,211,092	116,211,092	290,822	290,822
No vehicles available	10,594,153	9.1%	47,302	16.3%
1 vehicle available	39,277,554	33.8%	125,793	43.3%
2 vehicles available	43,550,477	37.5%	87,983	30.3%
3 or more vehicles available	22,788,908	19.6%	29,744	10.2%
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	116,211,092	116,211,092	290,822	290,822
Utility gas	56,767,054	48.8%	108,891	37.4%
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	5,646,369	4.9%	2,591	0.9%
Electricity	42,625,609	36.7%	153,556	52.8%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	6,814,395	5.9%	19,611	6.7%
Coal or coke	134,004	0.1%	62	0.0%
Wood	2,460,911	2.1%	1,050	0.4%
Solar energy	59,558	0.1%	129	0.0%
Other fuel	543,264	0.5%	2,277	0.8%
No fuel used	1,159,928	1.0%	2,655	0.9%
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	116,211,092	116,211,092	290,822	290,822
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	537,459	0.5%	1,993	0.7%
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	1,014,759	0.9%	3,963	1.4%
No telephone service available	2,875,544	2.5%	7,538	2.6%
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	116,211,092	116,211,092	290,822	290,822
1.00 or less	112,358,382	96.7%	284,201	97.7%
1.01 to 1.50	2,700,932	2.3%	3,542	1.2%
1.51 or more	1,151,778	1.0%	3,079	1.1%
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	74,787,460	74,787,460	134,357	134,357
Less than \$50,000	6,932,847	9.3%	2,037	1.5%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	11,653,495	15.6%	802	0.6%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	11,976,117	16.0%	1,868	1.4%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	11,313,218	15.1%	4,950	3.7%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	13,619,254	18.2%	18,987	14.1%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	11,615,518	15.5%	54,194	40.3%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	6,104,301	8.2%	42,697	31.8%
\$1,000,000 or more	1,572,710	2.1%	8,822	6.6%
Median (dollars)	175,700	(X)	437,400	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	74,787,460	74,787,460	134,357	134,357
Housing units with a mortgage	49,043,774	65.6%	100,162	74.5%
Housing units without a mortgage	25,743,686	34.4%	34,195	25.5%
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	49,043,774	49,043,774	100,162	100,162
Less than \$300	96,963	0.2%	159	0.2%
\$300 to \$499	781,682	1.6%	262	0.3%
\$500 to \$699	2,456,179	5.0%	1,176	1.2%
\$700 to \$999	7,022,549	14.3%	3,119	3.1%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	13,681,666	27.9%	11,748	11.7%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	9,979,343	20.3%	19,725	19.7%
\$2,000 or more	15,025,392	30.6%	63,973	63.9%
Median (dollars)	1,522	(X)	2,307	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	25,743,686	25,743,686	34,195	34,195
Less than \$100	309,245	1.2%	341	1.0%
\$100 to \$199	1,687,548	6.6%	565	1.7%
\$200 to \$299	3,784,894	14.7%	972	2.8%
\$300 to \$399	4,704,897	18.3%	2,163	6.3%
\$400 or more	15,257,102	59.3%	30,154	88.2%
Median (dollars)	457	(X)	694	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAPI)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	48,786,530	48,786,530	99,777	99,777
Less than 20.0 percent	18,542,199	38.0%	34,785	34.9%
20.0 to 24.9 percent	7,836,596	16.1%	18,050	18.1%
25.0 to 29.9 percent	5,720,107	11.7%	12,259	12.3%

Subject	United States		Seattle city, Washington	
	Estimate	Percent	Estimate	Percent
30.0 to 34.9 percent	3,986,364	8.2%	8,541	8.6%
35.0 percent or more	12,701,264	26.0%	26,142	26.2%
Not computed	257,244	(X)	385	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	25,410,170	25,410,170	33,865	33,865
Less than 10.0 percent	10,345,359	40.7%	12,771	37.7%
10.0 to 14.9 percent	5,045,311	19.9%	6,871	20.3%
15.0 to 19.9 percent	3,057,326	12.0%	4,444	13.1%
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,903,860	7.5%	2,536	7.5%
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,247,914	4.9%	1,784	5.3%
30.0 to 34.9 percent	852,064	3.4%	1,229	3.6%
35.0 percent or more	2,958,336	11.6%	4,230	12.5%
Not computed	333,516	(X)	330	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	39,201,928	39,201,928	152,949	152,949
Less than \$200	588,063	1.5%	2,234	1.5%
\$200 to \$299	1,247,551	3.2%	5,185	3.4%
\$300 to \$499	2,889,355	7.4%	5,780	3.8%
\$500 to \$749	8,250,822	21.0%	12,761	8.3%
\$750 to \$999	9,457,480	24.1%	34,811	22.8%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	10,539,358	26.9%	50,594	33.1%
\$1,500 or more	6,229,299	15.9%	41,584	27.2%
Median (dollars)	920	(X)	1,131	(X)
No rent paid	2,221,704	(X)	3,516	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	38,273,765	38,273,765	149,018	149,018
Less than 15.0 percent	4,472,954	11.7%	18,515	12.4%
15.0 to 19.9 percent	4,620,792	12.1%	21,469	14.4%
20.0 to 24.9 percent	4,767,805	12.5%	20,585	13.8%
25.0 to 29.9 percent	4,400,387	11.5%	18,627	12.5%
30.0 to 34.9 percent	3,486,079	9.1%	13,491	9.1%
35.0 percent or more	16,525,748	43.2%	56,331	37.8%
Not computed	3,149,867	(X)	7,447	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Explanation of Symbols:

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.

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.

An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.

An '+' following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.

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.

An '*****' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.

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.

An '(X)' means that the estimate is not applicable or not available.

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.

Households not paying cash rent are excluded from the calculation of median gross rent.

Telephone service data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with data collection. See [Errata Note #93](#) for details.

While the 2010-2014 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the February 2013 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 2010 data. As a result, data for urban and rural areas from the ACS do not necessarily reflect the results of ongoing urbanization.