



Pima County, Arizona
Social Characteristics: 2008
 2008 American Community Survey Estimates
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Selected Social Characteristics in the United States	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	376,725	4,877	376,725	(X)
Family households (families)	231,398	5,248	61.4%	1.2
With own children under 18 years	97,684	4,497	25.9%	1.2
Married-couple family	168,131	5,142	44.6%	1.3
With own children under 18 years	62,841	4,234	16.7%	1.1
Male householder, no wife present, family	16,233	2,147	4.3%	0.6
With own children under 18 years	8,148	1,719	2.2%	0.5
Female householder, no husband present, family	47,034	2,850	12.5%	0.7
With own children under 18 years	26,695	2,442	7.1%	0.6
Nonfamily households	145,327	4,892	38.6%	1.2
Householder living alone	119,566	4,339	31.7%	1.1
65 years and over	42,922	2,859	11.4%	0.7
Households with one or more people under 18 years	110,187	4,467	29.2%	1.1
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	106,992	2,899	28.4%	0.7
Average household size	2.62	0.03	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.33	0.05	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	986,845	5,606	986,845	(X)
Householder	376,725	4,877	38.2%	0.4
Spouse	168,346	5,155	17.1%	0.5
Child	294,531	6,598	29.8%	0.7
Other relatives	76,134	6,605	7.7%	0.7

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Nonrelatives	71,109	5,953	7.2%	0.6
Unmarried partner	23,931	2,674	2.4%	0.3
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	394,143	389	394,143	(X)
Never married	141,848	3,880	36.0%	1.0
Now married, except separated	187,381	5,465	47.5%	1.4
Separated	6,404	1,719	1.6%	0.4
Widowed	11,306	1,696	2.9%	0.4
Divorced	47,204	3,615	12.0%	0.9
Females 15 years and over	419,052	388	419,052	(X)
Never married	120,355	4,112	28.7%	1.0
Now married, except separated	179,367	5,483	42.8%	1.3
Separated	9,301	1,902	2.2%	0.5
Widowed	44,381	2,866	10.6%	0.7
Divorced	65,648	3,981	15.7%	0.9
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	11,754	1,961	11,754	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	4,752	1,441	40.4%	8.4
Per 1,000 unmarried women	34	10	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	48	8	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	25	14	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	94	18	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	12	4	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	22,644	3,067	22,644	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	9,605	1,946	42.4%	6.4
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	2,450	1,018	10.8%	4.1
1 or 2 years	2,574	931	11.4%	3.9
3 or 4 years	1,275	697	5.6%	3.0
5 or more years	3,306	1,218	14.6%	5.0
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	9,605	1,946	9,605	(X)
Who are female	5,944	1,205	61.9%	5.1
Who are married	6,985	1,775	72.7%	8.3
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and	269,315	4,696	269,315	(X)

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over enrolled in school				
Nursery school, preschool	13,369	1,819	5.0%	0.7
Kindergarten	10,566	1,806	3.9%	0.7
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	105,911	2,685	39.3%	1.1
High school (grades 9-12)	54,215	2,226	20.1%	0.8
College or graduate school	85,254	4,379	31.7%	1.2
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	668,415	526	668,415	(X)
Less than 9th grade	36,291	3,698	5.4%	0.6
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	51,017	4,521	7.6%	0.7
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	161,938	5,436	24.2%	0.8
Some college, no degree	175,939	5,189	26.3%	0.8
Associate's degree	54,513	3,564	8.2%	0.5
Bachelor's degree	110,754	5,933	16.6%	0.9
Graduate or professional degree	77,963	4,523	11.7%	0.7
Percent high school graduate or higher	86.9%	0.8	(X)	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	28.2%	1.1	(X)	(X)
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	763,598	1,795	763,598	(X)
Civilian veterans	100,607	3,824	13.2%	0.5
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION				
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	991,493	4,260	991,493	(X)
With a disability	134,838	6,689	13.6%	0.7
Under 18 years	239,164	265	239,164	(X)
With a disability	8,425	1,643	3.5%	0.7
18 to 64 years	601,438	2,987	601,438	(X)
With a disability	71,895	5,034	12.0%	0.8
65 years and over	150,891	2,814	150,891	(X)
With a disability	54,518	3,571	36.1%	2.3
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	997,975	1,756	997,975	(X)
Same house	786,761	13,727	78.8%	1.3
Different house in the U.S.	202,034	13,741	20.2%	1.4
Same county	142,176	12,341	14.2%	1.2
Different county	59,858	7,619	6.0%	0.8
Same state	19,424	5,364	1.9%	0.5
Different state	40,434	5,012	4.1%	0.5
Abroad	9,180	3,016	0.9%	0.3
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	1,012,018	*****	1,012,018	(X)
Native	882,128	6,748	87.2%	0.7
Born in United States	864,438	6,803	85.4%	0.7

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State of residence	391,883	8,105	38.7%	0.8
Different state	472,555	8,291	46.7%	0.8
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	17,690	2,346	1.7%	0.2
Foreign born	129,890	6,748	12.8%	0.7
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	129,890	6,748	129,890	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	49,746	3,549	38.3%	2.8
Not a U.S. citizen	80,144	6,463	61.7%	2.8
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	147,580	6,803	147,580	(X)
Native	17,690	2,346	17,690	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	2,674	1,237	15.1%	6.1
Entered before 2000	15,016	1,917	84.9%	6.1
Foreign born	129,890	6,748	129,890	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	42,035	5,606	32.4%	3.4
Entered before 2000	87,855	4,988	67.6%	3.4
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	129,890	6,748	129,890	(X)
Europe	14,902	1,812	11.5%	1.3
Asia	20,106	2,370	15.5%	1.9
Africa	4,553	1,864	3.5%	1.4
Oceania	294	271	0.2%	0.2
Latin America	86,407	5,378	66.5%	2.2
Northern America	3,628	1,265	2.8%	0.9
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	942,251	*****	942,251	(X)
English only	683,591	8,461	72.5%	0.9
Language other than English	258,660	8,460	27.5%	0.9
Speak English less than "very well"	90,614	5,663	9.6%	0.6
Spanish	213,472	7,245	22.7%	0.8
Speak English less than "very well"	74,039	5,477	7.9%	0.6
Other Indo-European languages	17,922	2,430	1.9%	0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	3,379	923	0.4%	0.1
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	16,656	2,094	1.8%	0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	9,533	1,736	1.0%	0.2
Other languages	10,610	2,757	1.1%	0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	3,663	2,146	0.4%	0.2

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ANCESTRY				
Total population	1,012,018	*****	1,012,018	(X)
American	25,181	3,524	2.5%	0.3
Arab	6,300	2,911	0.6%	0.3
Czech	4,751	1,249	0.5%	0.1
Danish	6,708	1,653	0.7%	0.2
Dutch	14,682	2,234	1.5%	0.2
English	98,671	6,773	9.7%	0.7
French (except Basque)	30,682	4,421	3.0%	0.4
French Canadian	5,668	1,365	0.6%	0.1
German	176,564	8,967	17.4%	0.9
Greek	3,891	1,263	0.4%	0.1
Hungarian	4,850	1,349	0.5%	0.1
Irish	113,429	6,533	11.2%	0.6
Italian	44,471	4,662	4.4%	0.5
Lithuanian	2,317	776	0.2%	0.1
Norwegian	18,255	2,718	1.8%	0.3
Polish	28,022	3,387	2.8%	0.3
Portuguese	2,282	829	0.2%	0.1
Russian	10,356	1,813	1.0%	0.2
Scotch-Irish	12,372	2,314	1.2%	0.2
Scottish	25,023	3,522	2.5%	0.3
Slovak	1,942	1,010	0.2%	0.1
Subsaharan African	5,595	1,883	0.6%	0.2
Swedish	14,338	2,636	1.4%	0.3
Swiss	2,746	840	0.3%	0.1
Ukrainian	2,739	1,066	0.3%	0.1
Welsh	8,320	1,874	0.8%	0.2
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	1,418	923	0.1%	0.1

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 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 <http://www.census.gov/acs/www/UseData/Accuracy/Accuracy1.htm> *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).
- Starting in 2008, the Scotch-Irish category does not include Irish-Scotch.
- The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Accordingly, comparisons of disability data from 2008 or later with data from prior years are not recommended. For more information on these questions and their evaluation in the 2006 ACS Content Test, see the Evaluation Report Covering Disability.
- 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.

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·Due to a reduction in the Failed Edit Follow-up (FEFU) operation for 4-months in 2008, there was an increase in the amount of missing data and an increase in item allocation rates. For more information see the <http://www.census.gov/acs/www/UseData/usernotes.html> ACS User Notes.

·While the 2008 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2007 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. The 2008 Puerto Rico Community Survey (PRCS) data generally reflect the November 2007 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 PRCS 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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