



Pima Association of Governments

City of Tucson, Arizona
Social Characteristics: 2006-2008
 2006-2008 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates
 American Community Survey

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Selected Social Characteristics in the United States	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	200,845	1,993	200,845	(X)
Family households (families)	111,133	1,853	55.3%	0.8
With own children under 18 years	52,301	1,658	26.0%	0.8
Married-couple family	71,949	1,652	35.8%	0.8
With own children under 18 years	30,533	1,373	15.2%	0.7
Male householder, no wife present, family	10,325	1,075	5.1%	0.5
With own children under 18 years	5,339	858	2.7%	0.4
Female householder, no husband present, family	28,859	1,613	14.4%	0.8
With own children under 18 years	16,429	1,272	8.2%	0.6
Nonfamily households	89,712	1,990	44.7%	0.8
Householder living alone	73,625	1,882	36.7%	0.8
65 years and over	20,221	1,012	10.1%	0.5
Households with one or more people under 18 years	59,797	1,803	29.8%	0.8
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	45,059	1,031	22.4%	0.5
Average household size	2.57	0.03	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.44	0.05	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	516,799	5,874	516,799	(X)
Householder	200,845	1,993	38.9%	0.4
Spouse	72,213	1,587	14.0%	0.3
Child	155,419	3,663	30.1%	0.5
Other relatives	43,554	3,343	8.4%	0.6

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Nonrelatives	44,768	2,306	8.7%	0.4
Unmarried partner	14,215	1,136	2.8%	0.2
MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	209,047	2,763	209,047	(X)
Never married	90,419	2,764	43.3%	1.1
Now married, except separated	81,509	1,828	39.0%	0.9
Separated	4,576	703	2.2%	0.3
Widowed	6,215	752	3.0%	0.4
Divorced	26,328	1,712	12.6%	0.8
Females 15 years and over	217,168	2,441	217,168	(X)
Never married	75,290	2,251	34.7%	0.9
Now married, except separated	79,803	1,724	36.7%	0.8
Separated	6,274	858	2.9%	0.4
Widowed	20,818	1,125	9.6%	0.5
Divorced	34,983	1,493	16.1%	0.7
FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	7,183	937	7,183	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	3,389	686	47.2%	6.2
Per 1,000 unmarried women	39	8	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	51	7	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	36	13	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	84	12	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	20	6	(X)	(X)
GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	11,143	1,304	11,143	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	5,245	940	47.1%	5.5
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	1,411	472	12.7%	3.9
1 or 2 years	1,050	361	9.4%	2.8
3 or 4 years	1,202	406	10.8%	3.6
5 or more years	1,582	487	14.2%	3.8
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	5,245	940	5,245	(X)
Who are female	3,522	622	67.1%	4.4
Who are married	3,259	694	62.1%	7.2
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and	149,643	3,639	149,643	(X)

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over enrolled in school				
Nursery school, preschool	6,057	854	4.0%	0.6
Kindergarten	6,952	791	4.6%	0.5
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	53,561	1,866	35.8%	1.0
High school (grades 9-12)	29,042	1,591	19.4%	0.9
College or graduate school	54,031	2,314	36.1%	1.2
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	335,969	3,230	335,969	(X)
Less than 9th grade	23,500	1,688	7.0%	0.5
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	32,069	1,654	9.5%	0.5
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	88,353	2,990	26.3%	0.9
Some college, no degree	84,127	2,541	25.0%	0.7
Associate's degree	25,776	1,833	7.7%	0.5
Bachelor's degree	49,477	2,106	14.7%	0.6
Graduate or professional degree	32,667	1,783	9.7%	0.5
Percent high school graduate or higher	83.5%	0.7	(X)	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	24.4%	0.7	(X)	(X)
VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	400,442	3,688	400,442	(X)
Civilian veterans	46,748	1,736	11.7%	0.4
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	524,528	5,493	524,528	(X)
Same house	388,306	7,297	74.0%	1.1
Different house in the U.S.	129,681	5,755	24.7%	1.1
Same county	97,931	5,682	18.7%	1.1
Different county	31,750	2,801	6.1%	0.5
Same state	11,137	1,847	2.1%	0.4
Different state	20,613	2,093	3.9%	0.4
Abroad	6,541	1,554	1.2%	0.3
PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	532,288	5,602	532,288	(X)

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Native	446,921	5,316	84.0%	0.7
Born in United States	437,345	5,362	82.2%	0.7
State of residence	218,239	5,316	41.0%	0.9
Different state	219,106	4,107	41.2%	0.8
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	9,576	1,105	1.8%	0.2
Foreign born	85,367	3,973	16.0%	0.7
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	85,367	3,973	85,367	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	27,597	1,704	32.3%	1.9
Not a U.S. citizen	57,770	3,591	67.7%	1.9
YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	94,943	4,036	94,943	(X)
Native	9,576	1,105	9,576	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	1,717	528	17.9%	4.8
Entered before 2000	7,859	964	82.1%	4.8
Foreign born	85,367	3,973	85,367	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	28,683	3,206	33.6%	2.8
Entered before 2000	56,684	2,759	66.4%	2.8
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	85,367	3,973	85,367	(X)
Europe	6,681	1,076	7.8%	1.2
Asia	11,431	1,067	13.4%	1.2
Africa	2,802	689	3.3%	0.8
Oceania	309	291	0.4%	0.3
Latin America	62,576	3,553	73.3%	1.8
Northern America	1,568	392	1.8%	0.5
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	493,094	5,145	493,094	(X)
English only	324,872	4,958	65.9%	0.8
Language other than English	168,222	4,566	34.1%	0.8
Speak English less than "very well"	63,451	3,548	12.9%	0.7
Spanish	144,433	4,310	29.3%	0.8
Speak English less than "very well"	54,235	3,122	11.0%	0.6
Other Indo-European languages	9,767	1,336	2.0%	0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	2,750	882	0.6%	0.2
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	9,692	1,102	2.0%	0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	5,160	1,016	1.0%	0.2
Other languages	4,330	1,054	0.9%	0.2
Speak English less than "very well"	1,306	718	0.3%	0.1

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ANCESTRY				
Total population	532,288	5,602	532,288	(X)
American	13,077	1,508	2.5%	0.3
Arab	3,067	1,236	0.6%	0.2
Czech	2,436	582	0.5%	0.1
Danish	2,377	522	0.4%	0.1
Dutch	7,383	880	1.4%	0.2
English	45,172	2,670	8.5%	0.5
French (except Basque)	15,138	1,513	2.8%	0.3
French Canadian	2,918	654	0.5%	0.1
German	79,013	3,398	14.8%	0.6
Greek	1,855	545	0.3%	0.1
Hungarian	2,151	498	0.4%	0.1
Irish	55,997	3,108	10.5%	0.6
Italian	23,495	1,943	4.4%	0.4
Lithuanian	925	273	0.2%	0.1
Norwegian	8,714	1,208	1.6%	0.2
Polish	12,318	1,364	2.3%	0.3
Portuguese	1,231	425	0.2%	0.1
Russian	5,896	1,156	1.1%	0.2
Scotch-Irish	8,488	1,140	1.6%	0.2
Scottish	11,264	1,389	2.1%	0.3
Slovak	956	399	0.2%	0.1
Subsaharan African	3,998	1,023	0.8%	0.2
Swedish	6,769	864	1.3%	0.2
Swiss	1,428	453	0.3%	0.1
Ukrainian	1,472	438	0.3%	0.1
Welsh	3,764	758	0.7%	0.1
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	990	420	0.2%	0.1

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2008 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).

·The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Because of contextual differences between the 2008 disability data and disability data collected in the previous two years, the Census Bureau is unable to combine the 3 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 three consecutive years of data are collected. For more information about the differences between the 2008 and prior year's disability questions, and the evaluation of these questions in the 2006 ACS Content Test, see the Evaluation Report Covering Disability.

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·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 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.
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.

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