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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

2013-2017 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 Technical 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.

A processing error was found in the Year Structure Built estimates since data year 2008. For more information, please see the errata note #110.

Subject	Portsmouth city, Virginia			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	40,889	+/-224	40,889	(X)
Occupied housing units	36,616	+/-426	89.5%	+/-1.0
Vacant housing units	4,273	+/-405	10.5%	+/-1.0
Homeowner vacancy rate	2.3	+/-0.8	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	7.2	+/-1.4	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	40,889	+/-224	40,889	(X)
1-unit, detached	25,132	+/-453	61.5%	+/-1.1
1-unit, attached	2,874	+/-327	7.0%	+/-0.8
2 units	1,642	+/-261	4.0%	+/-0.6
3 or 4 units	2,852	+/-360	7.0%	+/-0.9
5 to 9 units	4,365	+/-426	10.7%	+/-1.0
10 to 19 units	1,456	+/-265	3.6%	+/-0.6
20 or more units	2,204	+/-204	5.4%	+/-0.5
Mobile home	364	+/-123	0.9%	+/-0.3
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-28	0.0%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	40,889	+/-224	40,889	(X)
Built 2014 or later	83	+/-45	0.2%	+/-0.1
Built 2010 to 2013	794	+/-168	1.9%	+/-0.4
Built 2000 to 2009	2,748	+/-283	6.7%	+/-0.7
Built 1990 to 1999	3,615	+/-349	8.8%	+/-0.9
Built 1980 to 1989	4,095	+/-364	10.0%	+/-0.9
Built 1970 to 1979	6,498	+/-459	15.9%	+/-1.1
Built 1960 to 1969	6,257	+/-428	15.3%	+/-1.0
Built 1950 to 1959	7,433	+/-416	18.2%	+/-1.0
Built 1940 to 1949	4,229	+/-377	10.3%	+/-0.9

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Built 1939 or earlier	5,137	+/-417	12.6%	+/-1.0
ROOMS				
Total housing units	40,889	+/-224	40,889	(X)
1 room	389	+/-146	1.0%	+/-0.4
2 rooms	421	+/-114	1.0%	+/-0.3
3 rooms	2,504	+/-319	6.1%	+/-0.8
4 rooms	7,999	+/-530	19.6%	+/-1.3
5 rooms	8,860	+/-584	21.7%	+/-1.4
6 rooms	8,489	+/-471	20.8%	+/-1.1
7 rooms	5,411	+/-412	13.2%	+/-1.0
8 rooms	3,491	+/-348	8.5%	+/-0.8
9 rooms or more	3,325	+/-343	8.1%	+/-0.8
Median rooms	5.5	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	40,889	+/-224	40,889	(X)
No bedroom	438	+/-150	1.1%	+/-0.4
1 bedroom	3,287	+/-309	8.0%	+/-0.8
2 bedrooms	13,352	+/-602	32.7%	+/-1.5
3 bedrooms	17,073	+/-615	41.8%	+/-1.5
4 bedrooms	5,888	+/-444	14.4%	+/-1.1
5 or more bedrooms	851	+/-204	2.1%	+/-0.5
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	36,616	+/-426	36,616	(X)
Owner-occupied	19,936	+/-503	54.4%	+/-1.4
Renter-occupied	16,680	+/-576	45.6%	+/-1.4
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.53	+/-0.06	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.52	+/-0.07	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	36,616	+/-426	36,616	(X)
Moved in 2015 or later	4,347	+/-481	11.9%	+/-1.3
Moved in 2010 to 2014	12,584	+/-629	34.4%	+/-1.6
Moved in 2000 to 2009	9,816	+/-453	26.8%	+/-1.3
Moved in 1990 to 1999	3,954	+/-299	10.8%	+/-0.8
Moved in 1980 to 1989	2,149	+/-234	5.9%	+/-0.6
Moved in 1979 and earlier	3,766	+/-316	10.3%	+/-0.9
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	36,616	+/-426	36,616	(X)
No vehicles available	4,116	+/-344	11.2%	+/-0.9
1 vehicle available	14,149	+/-592	38.6%	+/-1.6
2 vehicles available	12,436	+/-542	34.0%	+/-1.4
3 or more vehicles available	5,915	+/-409	16.2%	+/-1.1
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	36,616	+/-426	36,616	(X)
Utility gas	18,673	+/-547	51.0%	+/-1.5
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	461	+/-133	1.3%	+/-0.4
Electricity	16,665	+/-618	45.5%	+/-1.5
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	520	+/-116	1.4%	+/-0.3
Coal or coke	0	+/-28	0.0%	+/-0.1
Wood	66	+/-56	0.2%	+/-0.2
Solar energy	0	+/-28	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	83	+/-55	0.2%	+/-0.1
No fuel used	148	+/-90	0.4%	+/-0.2

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Occupied housing units	36,616	+/-426	36,616	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	91	+/-63	0.2%	+/-0.2
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	226	+/-96	0.6%	+/-0.3
No telephone service available	1,000	+/-179	2.7%	+/-0.5
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	36,616	+/-426	36,616	(X)
1.00 or less	36,016	+/-432	98.4%	+/-0.4
1.01 to 1.50	410	+/-137	1.1%	+/-0.4
1.51 or more	190	+/-74	0.5%	+/-0.2
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	19,936	+/-503	19,936	(X)
Less than \$50,000	688	+/-129	3.5%	+/-0.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,906	+/-232	9.6%	+/-1.1
\$100,000 to \$149,999	4,650	+/-408	23.3%	+/-1.9
\$150,000 to \$199,999	5,835	+/-432	29.3%	+/-1.9
\$200,000 to \$299,999	5,246	+/-352	26.3%	+/-1.8
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1,279	+/-168	6.4%	+/-0.8
\$500,000 to \$999,999	265	+/-97	1.3%	+/-0.5
\$1,000,000 or more	67	+/-38	0.3%	+/-0.2
Median (dollars)	169,400	+/-2,462	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	19,936	+/-503	19,936	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	14,635	+/-554	73.4%	+/-1.7
Housing units without a mortgage	5,301	+/-350	26.6%	+/-1.7
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	14,635	+/-554	14,635	(X)
Less than \$500	116	+/-50	0.8%	+/-0.3
\$500 to \$999	2,037	+/-282	13.9%	+/-1.7
\$1,000 to \$1,499	5,896	+/-473	40.3%	+/-2.8
\$1,500 to \$1,999	4,286	+/-402	29.3%	+/-2.6
\$2,000 to \$2,499	1,606	+/-254	11.0%	+/-1.7
\$2,500 to \$2,999	405	+/-114	2.8%	+/-0.8
\$3,000 or more	289	+/-100	2.0%	+/-0.7
Median (dollars)	1,443	+/-29	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	5,301	+/-350	5,301	(X)
Less than \$250	191	+/-65	3.6%	+/-1.2
\$250 to \$399	1,022	+/-190	19.3%	+/-3.1
\$400 to \$599	2,139	+/-276	40.4%	+/-4.1
\$600 to \$799	1,252	+/-197	23.6%	+/-3.6
\$800 to \$999	409	+/-113	7.7%	+/-2.2
\$1,000 or more	288	+/-88	5.4%	+/-1.7
Median (dollars)	537	+/-18	(X)	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAPI)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	14,581	+/-558	14,581	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	4,998	+/-378	34.3%	+/-2.3
20.0 to 24.9 percent	2,312	+/-288	15.9%	+/-1.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,961	+/-254	13.4%	+/-1.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,169	+/-215	8.0%	+/-1.4
35.0 percent or more	4,141	+/-380	28.4%	+/-2.4

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Not computed	54	+/-38	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	5,274	+/-349	5,274	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	1,516	+/-232	28.7%	+/-3.9
10.0 to 14.9 percent	1,126	+/-200	21.4%	+/-3.2
15.0 to 19.9 percent	832	+/-157	15.8%	+/-2.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	530	+/-136	10.0%	+/-2.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	360	+/-127	6.8%	+/-2.3
30.0 to 34.9 percent	167	+/-58	3.2%	+/-1.1
35.0 percent or more	743	+/-141	14.1%	+/-2.6
Not computed	27	+/-23	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	16,141	+/-567	16,141	(X)
Less than \$500	1,774	+/-202	11.0%	+/-1.3
\$500 to \$999	6,548	+/-450	40.6%	+/-2.5
\$1,000 to \$1,499	6,153	+/-501	38.1%	+/-2.6
\$1,500 to \$1,999	1,300	+/-222	8.1%	+/-1.4
\$2,000 to \$2,499	339	+/-148	2.1%	+/-0.9
\$2,500 to \$2,999	9	+/-15	0.1%	+/-0.1
\$3,000 or more	18	+/-28	0.1%	+/-0.2
Median (dollars)	988	+/-19	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	539	+/-139	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	15,659	+/-591	15,659	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	1,264	+/-212	8.1%	+/-1.3
15.0 to 19.9 percent	1,638	+/-253	10.5%	+/-1.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	2,092	+/-304	13.4%	+/-1.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,598	+/-309	10.2%	+/-1.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,456	+/-258	9.3%	+/-1.6
35.0 percent or more	7,611	+/-537	48.6%	+/-2.6
Not computed	1,021	+/-218	(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.

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 of this question that occurred in 2015 and 2016. Both ACS 1-year and ACS 5-year files were affected. It may take several years in the ACS 5-year files until the estimates are available for the geographic areas affected.

While the 2013-2017 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 populations, 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.

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.