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2008-2012 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 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.

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.

Subject	Suffolk city, Virginia			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
EMPLOYMENT STATUS				
Population 16 years and over	64,631	+/-230	64,631	(X)
In labor force	43,456	+/-637	67.2%	+/-1.0
Civilian labor force	41,287	+/-711	63.9%	+/-1.1
Employed	38,258	+/-708	59.2%	+/-1.1
Unemployed	3,029	+/-369	4.7%	+/-0.6
Armed Forces	2,169	+/-336	3.4%	+/-0.5
Not in labor force	21,175	+/-646	32.8%	+/-1.0
Civilian labor force	41,287	+/-711	41,287	(X)
Percent Unemployed	(X)	(X)	7.3%	+/-0.9
Females 16 years and over				
Population 16 years and over	34,035	+/-173	34,035	(X)
In labor force	21,332	+/-514	62.7%	+/-1.5
Civilian labor force	21,075	+/-519	61.9%	+/-1.5
Employed	19,574	+/-510	57.5%	+/-1.5
Own children under 6 years				
Population	7,147	+/-266	7,147	(X)
All parents in family in labor force	4,890	+/-469	68.4%	+/-5.8
Own children 6 to 17 years				
Population	13,975	+/-318	13,975	(X)
All parents in family in labor force	10,322	+/-609	73.9%	+/-3.7
COMMUTING TO WORK				
Workers 16 years and over	39,674	+/-699	39,674	(X)
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	34,609	+/-674	87.2%	+/-1.2
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	3,109	+/-383	7.8%	+/-0.9
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	188	+/-108	0.5%	+/-0.3
Walked	247	+/-88	0.6%	+/-0.2
Other means	529	+/-165	1.3%	+/-0.4
Worked at home	992	+/-234	2.5%	+/-0.6
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	27.9	+/-0.8	(X)	(X)
OCCUPATION				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	38,258	+/-708	38,258	(X)

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Management, business, science, and arts occupations	14,285	+/-731	37.3%	+/-1.8
Service occupations	6,076	+/-579	15.9%	+/-1.5
Sales and office occupations	8,380	+/-550	21.9%	+/-1.3
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	3,911	+/-464	10.2%	+/-1.2
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	5,606	+/-537	14.7%	+/-1.4
INDUSTRY				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	38,258	+/-708	38,258	(X)
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	217	+/-94	0.6%	+/-0.2
Construction	2,402	+/-352	6.3%	+/-0.9
Manufacturing	5,449	+/-496	14.2%	+/-1.3
Wholesale trade	889	+/-240	2.3%	+/-0.6
Retail trade	4,238	+/-497	11.1%	+/-1.3
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	2,266	+/-334	5.9%	+/-0.9
Information	599	+/-185	1.6%	+/-0.5
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	1,980	+/-302	5.2%	+/-0.8
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	3,662	+/-419	9.6%	+/-1.1
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	9,058	+/-569	23.7%	+/-1.4
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	2,245	+/-377	5.9%	+/-1.0
Other services, except public administration	1,822	+/-277	4.8%	+/-0.7
Public administration	3,431	+/-477	9.0%	+/-1.2
CLASS OF WORKER				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	38,258	+/-708	38,258	(X)
Private wage and salary workers	27,588	+/-886	72.1%	+/-1.8
Government workers	9,210	+/-691	24.1%	+/-1.8
Self-employed in own not incorporated business workers	1,429	+/-269	3.7%	+/-0.7
Unpaid family workers	31	+/-29	0.1%	+/-0.1
INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2012 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)				
Total households	30,502	+/-400	30,502	(X)
Less than \$10,000	1,718	+/-295	5.6%	+/-1.0
\$10,000 to \$14,999	1,164	+/-206	3.8%	+/-0.7
\$15,000 to \$24,999	2,470	+/-318	8.1%	+/-1.0
\$25,000 to \$34,999	2,429	+/-293	8.0%	+/-1.0
\$35,000 to \$49,999	4,052	+/-437	13.3%	+/-1.4
\$50,000 to \$74,999	5,000	+/-421	16.4%	+/-1.4
\$75,000 to \$99,999	5,112	+/-402	16.8%	+/-1.3
\$100,000 to \$149,999	5,511	+/-428	18.1%	+/-1.4
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,811	+/-214	5.9%	+/-0.7
\$200,000 or more	1,235	+/-212	4.0%	+/-0.7
Median household income (dollars)	66,479	+/-2,445	(X)	(X)
Mean household income (dollars)	79,190	+/-2,260	(X)	(X)
With earnings	24,805	+/-514	81.3%	+/-1.1
Mean earnings (dollars)	77,427	+/-2,271	(X)	(X)
With Social Security	8,323	+/-381	27.3%	+/-1.2
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	15,751	+/-621	(X)	(X)
With retirement income	7,912	+/-420	25.9%	+/-1.3
Mean retirement income (dollars)	24,814	+/-1,561	(X)	(X)
With Supplemental Security Income	1,413	+/-209	4.6%	+/-0.7
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	9,065	+/-1,032	(X)	(X)
With cash public assistance income	812	+/-203	2.7%	+/-0.7

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Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,229	+/-696	(X)	(X)
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits in the past 12 months	3,150	+/-340	10.3%	+/-1.1
Families	22,545	+/-573	22,545	(X)
Less than \$10,000	854	+/-220	3.8%	+/-1.0
\$10,000 to \$14,999	463	+/-160	2.1%	+/-0.7
\$15,000 to \$24,999	1,361	+/-255	6.0%	+/-1.1
\$25,000 to \$34,999	1,468	+/-208	6.5%	+/-0.9
\$35,000 to \$49,999	2,787	+/-368	12.4%	+/-1.6
\$50,000 to \$74,999	3,637	+/-376	16.1%	+/-1.6
\$75,000 to \$99,999	4,288	+/-417	19.0%	+/-1.8
\$100,000 to \$149,999	4,967	+/-412	22.0%	+/-1.8
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,630	+/-209	7.2%	+/-0.9
\$200,000 or more	1,090	+/-201	4.8%	+/-0.9
Median family income (dollars)	80,025	+/-3,250	(X)	(X)
Mean family income (dollars)	89,211	+/-2,886	(X)	(X)
Per capita income (dollars)	29,547	+/-777	(X)	(X)
Nonfamily households	7,957	+/-467	7,957	(X)
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	35,981	+/-1,806	(X)	(X)
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	48,481	+/-3,350	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for workers (dollars)	35,648	+/-1,169	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for male full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	54,770	+/-1,857	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for female full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	39,679	+/-2,616	(X)	(X)
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE				
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	81,167	+/-388	81,167	(X)
With health insurance coverage	72,876	+/-915	89.8%	+/-1.1
With private health insurance	61,286	+/-1,289	75.5%	+/-1.6
With public coverage	21,059	+/-976	25.9%	+/-1.2
No health insurance coverage	8,291	+/-908	10.2%	+/-1.1
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	21,843	+/-71	21,843	(X)
No health insurance coverage	912	+/-379	4.2%	+/-1.7
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	49,810	+/-411	49,810	(X)
In labor force:	39,216	+/-649	39,216	(X)
Employed:	36,422	+/-645	36,422	(X)
With health insurance coverage	31,939	+/-806	87.7%	+/-1.5
With private health insurance	30,897	+/-791	84.8%	+/-1.6
With public coverage	2,136	+/-344	5.9%	+/-0.9
No health insurance coverage	4,483	+/-548	12.3%	+/-1.5
Unemployed:	2,794	+/-348	2,794	(X)
With health insurance coverage	1,507	+/-266	53.9%	+/-6.8
With private health insurance	1,059	+/-213	37.9%	+/-6.4
With public coverage	502	+/-178	18.0%	+/-5.9
No health insurance coverage	1,287	+/-248	46.1%	+/-6.8
Not in labor force:	10,594	+/-558	10,594	(X)
With health insurance coverage	9,041	+/-482	85.3%	+/-2.8
With private health insurance	6,827	+/-459	64.4%	+/-3.1
With public coverage	3,191	+/-326	30.1%	+/-3.1
No health insurance coverage	1,553	+/-327	14.7%	+/-2.8

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PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL				
All families	(X)	(X)	8.4%	+/-1.4
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	13.4%	+/-2.1
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	12.9%	+/-5.1
Married couple families	(X)	(X)	2.0%	+/-0.8
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	2.3%	+/-1.3
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	2.4%	+/-2.6
Families with female householder, no husband present	(X)	(X)	29.7%	+/-4.8
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	39.7%	+/-6.1
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	36.5%	+/-13.9
All people	(X)	(X)	11.6%	+/-1.5
Under 18 years	(X)	(X)	18.5%	+/-3.2
Related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	18.4%	+/-3.2
Related children under 5 years	(X)	(X)	18.8%	+/-4.0
Related children 5 to 17 years	(X)	(X)	18.2%	+/-3.5
18 years and over	(X)	(X)	9.2%	+/-1.2
18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	9.4%	+/-1.3
65 years and over	(X)	(X)	8.0%	+/-1.8
People in families	(X)	(X)	10.1%	+/-1.6
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	(X)	(X)	22.4%	+/-2.5

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.

There were changes in the edit between 2009 and 2010 regarding Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security. The changes in the edit loosened restrictions on disability requirements for receipt of SSI resulting in an increase in the total number of SSI recipients in the American Community Survey. The changes also loosened restrictions on possible reported monthly amounts in Social Security income resulting in higher Social Security aggregate amounts. These results more closely match administrative counts compiled by the Social Security Administration.

Workers include members of the Armed Forces and civilians who were at work last week.

Industry codes are 4-digit codes and are based on the North American Industry Classification System 2007. The Industry categories adhere to the guidelines issued in Clarification Memorandum No. 2, "NAICS Alternate Aggregation Structure for Use By U.S. Statistical Agencies," issued by the Office of Management and Budget.

While the 2008-2012 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the December 2009 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 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.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008-2012 American Community Survey

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.