



### Charlotte city, North Carolina

#### Selected Social Characteristics in the United States: 2009

Data Set: **2009 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates**

Survey: **American Community Survey**

NOTE. 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](#).

For more information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see [Survey Methodology](#).

Selected Social Characteristics in the United States	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Margin of Error
<b>HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE</b>				
<b>Total households</b>	<b>294,421</b>	<b>+/-4,338</b>	<b>294,421</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Family households (families)	176,541	+/-4,916	60.0%	+/-1.6
With own children under 18 years	89,246	+/-4,050	30.3%	+/-1.3
Married-couple family	120,587	+/-4,540	41.0%	+/-1.4
With own children under 18 years	57,414	+/-3,250	19.5%	+/-1.1
Male householder, no wife present, family	14,893	+/-2,755	5.1%	+/-0.9
With own children under 18 years	6,347	+/-1,860	2.2%	+/-0.6
Female householder, no husband present, family	41,061	+/-3,187	13.9%	+/-1.1
With own children under 18 years	25,485	+/-2,446	8.7%	+/-0.8
Nonfamily households	117,880	+/-5,143	40.0%	+/-1.6
Householder living alone	94,330	+/-4,887	32.0%	+/-1.6
65 years and over	16,874	+/-1,531	5.7%	+/-0.5
Households with one or more people under 18 years	97,577	+/-4,209	33.1%	+/-1.4
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	41,903	+/-1,545	14.2%	+/-0.5
Average household size	2.35	+/-0.03	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.01	+/-0.07	(X)	(X)
<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>				
<b>Population in households</b>	<b>691,410</b>	<b>+/-3,591</b>	<b>691,410</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Householder	294,421	+/-4,338	42.6%	+/-0.6
Spouse	120,173	+/-4,450	17.4%	+/-0.6
Child	195,606	+/-5,767	28.3%	+/-0.8
Other relatives	39,395	+/-4,983	5.7%	+/-0.7
Nonrelatives	41,815	+/-4,168	6.0%	+/-0.6
Unmarried partner	17,711	+/-2,302	2.6%	+/-0.3
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>				
<b>Males 15 years and over</b>	<b>267,107</b>	<b>+/-2,554</b>	<b>267,107</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Never married	102,042	+/-3,820	38.2%	+/-1.4
Now married, except separated	132,259	+/-4,513	49.5%	+/-1.7
Separated	6,804	+/-1,486	2.5%	+/-0.6
Widowed	4,820	+/-1,123	1.8%	+/-0.4
Divorced	21,182	+/-2,583	7.9%	+/-1.0
<b>Females 15 years and over</b>	<b>286,933</b>	<b>+/-2,527</b>	<b>286,933</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Never married	100,487	+/-3,897	35.0%	+/-1.3
Now married, except separated	125,024	+/-4,708	43.6%	+/-1.6
Separated	10,211	+/-1,684	3.6%	+/-0.6
Widowed	19,968	+/-1,861	7.0%	+/-0.6
Divorced	31,243	+/-2,955	10.9%	+/-1.0

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<b>FERTILITY</b>				
<b>Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months</b>	<b>11,618</b>	<b>+/-1,782</b>	<b>11,618</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	4,266	+/-1,195	36.7%	+/-8.5
Per 1,000 unmarried women	39	+/-11	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	58	+/-9	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	37	+/-17	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	90	+/-16	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	31	+/-11	(X)	(X)
<b>GRANDPARENTS</b>				
<b>Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years</b>	<b>10,663</b>	<b>+/-2,163</b>	<b>10,663</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Responsible for grandchildren	4,737	+/-1,331	44.4%	+/-9.8
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	1,552	+/-819	14.6%	+/-6.4
1 or 2 years	1,303	+/-606	12.2%	+/-5.6
3 or 4 years	441	+/-309	4.1%	+/-2.8
5 or more years	1,441	+/-747	13.5%	+/-7.1
<b>Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years</b>	<b>4,737</b>	<b>+/-1,331</b>	<b>4,737</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Who are female	3,551	+/-961	75.0%	+/-8.1
Who are married	2,775	+/-1,107	58.6%	+/-13.5
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>				
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>	<b>192,033</b>	<b>+/-6,034</b>	<b>192,033</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Nursery school, preschool	14,086	+/-1,872	7.3%	+/-0.9
Kindergarten	11,298	+/-1,795	5.9%	+/-1.0
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	74,343	+/-3,287	38.7%	+/-1.6
High school (grades 9-12)	34,522	+/-2,518	18.0%	+/-1.4
College or graduate school	57,784	+/-5,045	30.1%	+/-2.0
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>				
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>	<b>455,639</b>	<b>+/-3,906</b>	<b>455,639</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Less than 9th grade	20,936	+/-3,188	4.6%	+/-0.7
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	33,103	+/-2,999	7.3%	+/-0.7
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	88,897	+/-5,580	19.5%	+/-1.2
Some college, no degree	98,801	+/-5,338	21.7%	+/-1.2
Associate's degree	37,214	+/-3,438	8.2%	+/-0.8
Bachelor's degree	119,285	+/-4,872	26.2%	+/-1.0
Graduate or professional degree	57,403	+/-4,575	12.6%	+/-1.0
Percent high school graduate or higher	88.1%	+/-1.0	(X)	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	38.8%	+/-1.2	(X)	(X)
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>				
<b>Civilian population 18 years and over</b>	<b>526,545</b>	<b>+/-3,595</b>	<b>526,545</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Civilian veterans	42,857	+/-3,353	8.1%	+/-0.6
<b>DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION</b>				
<b>Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population</b>	<b>699,625</b>	<b>+/-1,693</b>	<b>699,625</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	56,824	+/-3,900	8.1%	+/-0.6
<b>Under 18 years</b>	<b>177,197</b>	<b>+/-3,653</b>	<b>177,197</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	5,676	+/-1,541	3.2%	+/-0.9
<b>18 to 64 years</b>	<b>467,483</b>	<b>+/-3,493</b>	<b>467,483</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	30,850	+/-2,625	6.6%	+/-0.6
<b>65 years and over</b>	<b>54,945</b>	<b>+/-2,249</b>	<b>54,945</b>	<b>(X)</b>
With a disability	20,298	+/-2,015	36.9%	+/-3.4
<b>RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO</b>				
<b>Population 1 year and over</b>	<b>692,387</b>	<b>+/-1,894</b>	<b>692,387</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Same house	542,836	+/-8,273	78.4%	+/-1.2
Different house in the U.S.	144,504	+/-8,692	20.9%	+/-1.2
Same county	100,213	+/-8,086	14.5%	+/-1.2

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Different county	44,291	+/-5,112	6.4%	+/-0.7
Same state	16,493	+/-3,520	2.4%	+/-0.5
Different state	27,798	+/-4,519	4.0%	+/-0.7
Abroad	5,047	+/-1,811	0.7%	+/-0.3
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>704,417</b>	<b>+/-46</b>	<b>704,417</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Native	607,683	+/-5,345	86.3%	+/-0.8
Born in United States	600,335	+/-5,477	85.2%	+/-0.8
State of residence	298,371	+/-8,994	42.4%	+/-1.3
Different state	301,964	+/-8,730	42.9%	+/-1.2
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	7,348	+/-1,691	1.0%	+/-0.2
Foreign born	96,734	+/-5,341	13.7%	+/-0.8
<b>U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS</b>				
<b>Foreign-born population</b>	<b>96,734</b>	<b>+/-5,341</b>	<b>96,734</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Naturalized U.S. citizen	27,224	+/-2,698	28.1%	+/-2.5
Not a U.S. citizen	69,510	+/-4,820	71.9%	+/-2.5
<b>YEAR OF ENTRY</b>				
<b>Population born outside the United States</b>	<b>104,082</b>	<b>+/-5,475</b>	<b>104,082</b>	<b>(X)</b>
<b>Native</b>				
<b>Native</b>	<b>7,348</b>	<b>+/-1,691</b>	<b>7,348</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Entered 2000 or later	1,140	+/-822	15.5%	+/-9.9
Entered before 2000	6,208	+/-1,455	84.5%	+/-9.9
<b>Foreign born</b>				
<b>Foreign born</b>	<b>96,734</b>	<b>+/-5,341</b>	<b>96,734</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Entered 2000 or later	48,240	+/-4,829	49.9%	+/-3.5
Entered before 2000	48,494	+/-3,721	50.1%	+/-3.5
<b>WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN</b>				
<b>Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea</b>	<b>96,734</b>	<b>+/-5,341</b>	<b>96,734</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Europe	9,902	+/-2,274	10.2%	+/-2.2
Asia	25,535	+/-2,783	26.4%	+/-2.5
Africa	8,795	+/-2,828	9.1%	+/-2.8
Oceania	68	+/-113	0.1%	+/-0.1
Latin America	50,392	+/-3,607	52.1%	+/-3.1
Northern America	2,042	+/-868	2.1%	+/-0.9
<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME</b>				
<b>Population 5 years and over</b>	<b>646,260</b>	<b>+/-2,128</b>	<b>646,260</b>	<b>(X)</b>
English only	534,743	+/-6,274	82.7%	+/-1.0
Language other than English	111,517	+/-6,296	17.3%	+/-1.0
Speak English less than "very well"	52,852	+/-4,239	8.2%	+/-0.7
Spanish	63,785	+/-4,699	9.9%	+/-0.7
Speak English less than "very well"	36,611	+/-3,609	5.7%	+/-0.6
Other Indo-European languages	22,362	+/-3,973	3.5%	+/-0.6
Speak English less than "very well"	6,887	+/-2,496	1.1%	+/-0.4
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	17,115	+/-2,804	2.6%	+/-0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	8,275	+/-2,005	1.3%	+/-0.3
Other languages	8,255	+/-2,619	1.3%	+/-0.4
Speak English less than "very well"	1,079	+/-639	0.2%	+/-0.1
<b>ANCESTRY</b>				
<b>Total population</b>	<b>704,417</b>	<b>+/-46</b>	<b>704,417</b>	<b>(X)</b>
American	30,645	+/-3,930	4.4%	+/-0.6
Arab	5,039	+/-2,350	0.7%	+/-0.3
Czech	2,193	+/-777	0.3%	+/-0.1
Danish	2,447	+/-1,213	0.3%	+/-0.2
Dutch	7,390	+/-1,977	1.0%	+/-0.3
English	57,360	+/-4,634	8.1%	+/-0.7
French (except Basque)	11,966	+/-2,061	1.7%	+/-0.3
French Canadian	1,658	+/-671	0.2%	+/-0.1
German	75,098	+/-6,229	10.7%	+/-0.9
Greek	5,129	+/-1,670	0.7%	+/-0.2
Hungarian	2,216	+/-1,071	0.3%	+/-0.2

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Irish	59,487	+/-5,635	8.4%	+/-0.8
Italian	30,394	+/-3,354	4.3%	+/-0.5
Lithuanian	1,191	+/-643	0.2%	+/-0.1
Norwegian	3,197	+/-1,177	0.5%	+/-0.2
Polish	10,832	+/-2,183	1.5%	+/-0.3
Portuguese	1,328	+/-634	0.2%	+/-0.1
Russian	5,635	+/-1,857	0.8%	+/-0.3
Scotch-Irish	25,284	+/-3,327	3.6%	+/-0.5
Scottish	15,216	+/-2,677	2.2%	+/-0.4
Slovak	1,209	+/-653	0.2%	+/-0.1
Subsaharan African	10,799	+/-3,437	1.5%	+/-0.5
Swedish	4,478	+/-1,455	0.6%	+/-0.2
Swiss	1,229	+/-825	0.2%	+/-0.1
Ukrainian	1,576	+/-942	0.2%	+/-0.1
Welsh	3,238	+/-948	0.5%	+/-0.1
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	4,012	+/-1,629	0.6%	+/-0.2

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2009 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 [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.
- While the 2009 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2008 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.

#### 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.
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