

PROFILE OF GENERAL ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

Source: 2006 and 2005 American Community Survey; 2000 Decennial Census

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	2006 ACS			2005 ACS			2000 Decennial Census		2000-2006			2005-2006		
	2006 Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent Estimate	2005 Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent Estimate	2000 Estimate	2000 Percent	Percent Change Value	Significant Change Value?	Significant Change Percent?	Percent Change Value	Significant Change Value?	Significant Change Percent?
United States														
Total population	299,398,485	*****		288,378,137	*****		281,421,906							
<i>that are in group quarters</i>														
EMPLOYMENT STATUS														
Population 16 years and over	234,243,963	+/-44,253		223,524,814	32,677		217,170,000		7.9	yes		4.8	yes	
In labor force	152,193,214	+/-114,579	65.0%	147,299,391	106,495	65.9%	138,820,935	63.9%	9.6	yes	yes	3.3	yes	yes
Civilian labor force	151,203,992	+/-116,526	64.5%	146,576,413	106,300	65.6%	137,670,000	63.4%	9.8	yes	yes	3.2	yes	yes
Employed	141,501,434	+/-125,524	60.4%	136,458,810	109,090	61.0%	129,720,000	59.7%	9.1	yes	yes	3.7	yes	yes
Unemployed	9,702,558	+/-51,790	4.1%	10,117,603	57,773	4.5%	7,947,286	3.7%	22.1	yes	yes	-4.1	yes	yes
Armed Forces	989,222	+/-14,487	0.4%	722,978	15,209	0.3%	1,152,137	0.5%	-14.1	yes	no	36.8	no	no
Not in labor force	82,050,749	+/-108,166	35.0%	76,225,423	112,297	34.1%	78,347,142	36.1%	4.7	yes	yes	7.6	yes	yes
Civilian labor force	151,203,992	+/-116,526		146,576,413	106,300		137,668,798		9.8	yes		3.2	yes	
Unemployed (Percent)	6.4	+/-0.1		6.9	0.1		5.8		10.3	yes		-7.2	yes	
Females 16 years and over	120,141,345	+/-29,879		115,417,143	26,479		112,185,795		7.1	yes		4.1	yes	
In labor force	70,578,178	+/-82,095	58.7%	68,207,700	85,663	59.1%	64,547,732	57.5%	9.3	yes	yes	3.5	yes	yes
Civilian labor force	70,441,258	+/-81,885	58.6%	68,101,126	85,090	59.0%	64,383,493	57.4%	9.4	yes	yes	3.4	yes	yes
Employed	65,822,879	+/-93,566	54.8%	63,223,388	90,338	54.8%	60,630,069	54.0%	8.6	yes	yes	4.1	yes	no
Own children under 6 years	23,210,775	+/-38,710		23,088,234	41,708		21,833,613		6.3	yes		0.5	yes	
All parents in family in labor force	14,292,278	+/-58,923	61.6%	13,846,668	57,992	60.0%	12,787,501	58.6%	11.8	yes	yes	3.2	yes	yes
Own children 6 to 17 years	45,942,524	+/-54,946		45,615,761	56,031		46,049,013		-0.2	yes		0.7	yes	
All parents in family in labor force	32,019,857	+/-84,691	69.7%	31,172,623	72,078	68.3%	31,057,526	67.4%	3.1	yes	yes	2.7	yes	yes
COMMUTING TO WORK														
Workers 16 years and over	138,265,905	+/-127,539		133,091,043	117,391		128,000,000		8.0	yes		3.9	yes	
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	105,046,395	+/-137,795	76.0%	102,458,267	123,290	77.0%	97,102,050	75.9%	8.2	yes	yes	2.5	yes	yes
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	14,851,751	+/-73,595	10.7%	14,200,426	73,423	10.7%	15,634,051	12.2%	-5.0	yes	yes	4.6	yes	yes
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	6,684,040	+/-43,189	4.8%	6,202,014	44,268	4.7%	5,870,000	4.6%	13.9	yes	yes	7.8	yes	yes
Walked	3,951,534	+/-35,845	2.9%	3,291,401	34,086	2.5%	3,758,982	2.9%	5.1	yes	yes	20.1	yes	yes
Other means	2,321,077	+/-26,692	1.7%	2,142,757	30,305	1.6%	1,730,000	1.4%	34.2	yes	yes	8.3	yes	yes
Worked at home	5,411,108	+/-35,393	3.9%	4,796,178	32,730	3.6%	4,184,223	3.3%	29.3	yes	yes	12.8	yes	yes
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	25.0	+/-0.1		25.1	0.1		25.5		-2.0	yes		-0.4	no	
Civilian Employed population 16 years and over	141,501,434	+/-125,524		136,458,810	109,090		129,721,512		9.1	yes		3.7	yes	
OCCUPATION														
Management, professional, and related occupations	48,058,369	+/-131,860	34.0%	46,514,512	131,697	34.1%	43,646,731	33.6%	10.1	yes	yes	3.3	yes	yes
Service occupations	23,361,096	+/-93,614	16.5%	22,224,170	86,694	16.3%	19,276,947	14.9%	21.2	yes	yes	5.1	yes	yes
Sales and office occupations	36,615,694	+/-98,685	25.9%	35,352,046	88,745	25.9%	34,621,390	26.7%	5.8	yes	yes	3.6	yes	no
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	1,007,036	+/-17,613	0.7%	929,636	20,852	0.7%	951,810	0.7%	5.8	no	no	8.3	no	no
Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair occupations	14,094,249	+/-62,267	10.0%	13,630,934	75,627	10.0%	12,256,138	9.4%	15.0	yes	yes	3.4	yes	no
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	18,364,990	+/-69,879	13.0%	17,807,512	73,335	13.0%	18,968,496	14.6%	-3.2	yes	yes	3.1	yes	yes
INDUSTRY														
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	2,588,454	+/-26,939	1.8%	2,383,293	30,974	1.7%	2,426,053	1.9%	6.7	no	no	8.6	no	no
Construction	11,183,930	+/-54,388	7.9%	10,532,912	61,740	7.7%	8,801,507	6.8%	27.1	yes	yes	6.2	yes	yes
Manufacturing	16,350,948	+/-61,484	11.6%	16,273,893	60,429	11.9%	18,286,005	14.1%	-10.6	yes	yes	0.5	yes	yes
Wholesale trade	4,842,294	+/-36,909	3.4%	4,829,662	39,467	3.5%	4,666,757	3.6%	3.8	yes	yes	0.3	no	yes
Retail trade	16,268,904	+/-76,944	11.5%	15,864,275	71,797	11.6%	15,221,716	11.7%	6.9	yes	yes	2.6	yes	yes
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	7,144,167	+/-45,527	5.0%	6,877,585	45,378	5.0%	6,740,102	5.2%	6.0	yes	yes	3.9	yes	no
Information	3,524,717	+/-29,089	2.5%	3,387,849	35,901	2.5%	3,996,564	3.1%	-11.8	yes	yes	4.0	yes	no
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	10,241,270	+/-52,529	7.2%	9,905,115	53,240	7.3%	8,934,972	6.9%	14.6	yes	yes	3.4	yes	no
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	14,301,698	+/-73,283	10.1%	13,457,013	61,223	9.9%	12,061,865	9.3%	18.6	yes	yes	6.3	yes	yes
Educational services, health care, and social assistance	29,491,331	+/-94,649	20.8%	28,225,662	86,516	20.7%	25,843,029	19.9%	14.1	yes	yes	4.5	yes	yes
Arts, entertainment and recreation, and accommodation, and food services	12,149,998	+/-74,925	8.6%	11,555,579	68,758	8.5%	10,210,295	7.9%	19.0	yes	yes	5.1	yes	yes
Other services except public administration	6,796,996	+/-43,689	4.8%	6,596,459	44,871	4.8%	6,320,632	4.9%	7.5	yes	yes	3.0	yes	no
Public administration	6,616,727	+/-42,879	4.7%	6,569,513	45,000	4.8%	6,212,015	4.8%	6.5	yes	yes	0.7	yes	yes
CLASS OF WORKER														
Private wage and salary workers	111,181,420	+/-137,354	78.6%	106,775,699	135,983	78.2%	101,794,361	78.5%	9.2	yes	yes	4.1	yes	yes
Government workers	20,363,443	+/-79,199	14.4%	19,921,824	77,129	14.6%	18,923,353	14.6%	7.6	yes	yes	2.2	yes	yes
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	9,629,574	+/-52,345	6.8%	9,444,809	58,845	6.9%	8,603,761	6.6%	11.9	yes	yes	2.0	yes	yes
Unpaid family workers	326,997	+/-9,056	0.2%	316,478	8,929	0.2%	400,037	0.3%	-18.3	yes	no	3.3	no	no

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INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2005 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)													
Total households	111,617,402	+/-145,530		111,090,617	143,575		105,539,122		5.8	yes		0.5	yes
Less than \$10,000	8,898,696	+/-49,557	8.0%	9,305,551	55,776	8.4%	8,319,169	7.9%	7.0	yes	yes	-4.4	yes
\$10,000 to \$14,999	6,639,877	+/-39,268	5.9%	6,537,175	41,710	5.9%	4,937,561	4.7%	34.5	yes	yes	1.6	yes
\$15,000 to \$24,999	12,721,628	+/-53,419	11.4%	12,887,466	53,584	11.6%	11,128,701	10.5%	14.3	yes	yes	-1.3	yes
\$25,000 to \$34,999	12,446,822	+/-51,908	11.2%	12,385,425	54,907	11.1%	11,179,697	10.6%	11.3	yes	yes	0.5	yes
\$35,000 to \$49,999	16,511,457	+/-76,757	14.8%	16,393,694	70,781	14.8%	15,564,749	14.7%	6.1	yes	no	0.7	yes
\$50,000 to \$74,999	21,221,889	+/-74,063	19.0%	20,773,499	83,957	18.7%	19,938,557	18.9%	6.4	yes	yes	2.2	yes
\$75,000 to \$99,999	13,214,551	+/-53,784	11.8%	13,042,151	66,961	11.7%	13,998,201	13.3%	-5.6	yes	yes	1.3	yes
\$100,000 to \$149,999	12,164,206	+/-52,216	10.9%	11,791,688	67,057	10.6%	11,403,847	10.8%	6.7	yes	yes	3.2	yes
\$150,000 to \$199,999	3,981,276	+/-28,559	3.6%	4,166,177	32,458	3.8%	4,953,336	4.7%	-19.6	yes	yes	-4.4	yes
\$200,000 or more	3,817,000	+/-23,780	3.4%	3,807,790	34,998	3.4%	4,115,303	3.9%	-7.2	yes	yes	0.2	no
Median household income (dollars)	48,451	+/-82		47,759	104		50,817		-4.7	yes		1.4	yes
Mean household income (dollars)	65,527	+/-83		64,608	133		68,545		-4.4	yes		1.4	yes
With earnings	89,607,878	+/-136,644	80.3%	89,180,556	122,447	80.3%	84,962,743	80.5%	5.5	yes	yes	0.5	yes
Mean earnings (dollars)	66,733	+/-86		65,928	139		68,497		-2.6	yes		1.2	yes
With Social Security	29,902,386	+/-63,244	26.8%	29,581,066	90,012	26.6%	27,084,417	25.7%	10.4	yes	yes	1.1	yes
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	13,877	+/-20		13,810	22		13,698		1.3	yes		0.5	yes
With retirement income	19,457,645	+/-63,378	17.4%	19,181,294	93,399	17.3%	17,659,058	16.7%	10.2	yes	yes	1.4	yes
Mean retirement income (dollars)	19,141	+/-69		18,994	68		21,027		-9.0	yes		0.8	yes
With Supplemental Security Income	4,419,328	+/-31,189	4.0%	4,419,947	29,615	4.0%	4,615,885	4.4%	-4.3	yes	yes	0.0	no
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	7,388	+/-31		7,382	31		7,648		-3.4	yes		0.1	no
With cash public assistance income	2,624,441	+/-24,380	2.4%	2,837,354	27,323	2.6%	3,629,732	3.4%	-27.7	yes	yes	-7.5	yes
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,139	+/-38		3,147	40		3,669		-14.4	yes		-0.3	no
With Food Stamp benefits in the past 12 months	9,019,877	+/-48,086	8.1%	8,918,469	53,474	8.0%	NA	NA	NA	yes	yes	1.1	yes
Families	74,564,066	+/-148,862		74,341,149	183,254		72,261,780		3.2	yes		0.3	yes
Less than \$10,000	3,564,147	+/-28,590	4.8%	3,830,010	40,204	5.2%	3,559,182	4.9%	0.1	no	yes	-6.9	yes
\$10,000 to \$14,999	2,703,830	+/-25,876	3.6%	2,768,093	30,563	3.7%	2,370,741	3.3%	14.0	yes	yes	-2.3	yes
\$15,000 to \$24,999	6,768,641	+/-41,093	9.1%	6,883,853	41,846	9.3%	6,315,918	8.7%	7.2	yes	yes	-1.7	yes
\$25,000 to \$34,999	7,493,307	+/-46,638	10.0%	7,533,019	43,881	10.1%	7,105,889	9.8%	5.5	yes	yes	-0.5	no
\$35,000 to \$49,999	10,887,856	+/-60,081	14.6%	10,882,060	54,537	14.6%	10,818,724	15.0%	0.6	yes	yes	0.1	no
\$50,000 to \$74,999	15,594,053	+/-62,203	20.9%	15,306,939	79,967	20.6%	15,106,636	20.9%	3.2	yes	no	1.9	yes
\$75,000 to \$99,999	10,639,706	+/-51,217	14.3%	10,426,290	60,693	14.0%	10,781,702	14.9%	-1.3	yes	yes	2.0	yes
\$100,000 to \$149,999	10,195,215	+/-47,213	13.7%	9,909,821	64,673	13.3%	9,121,181	12.6%	11.8	yes	yes	2.9	yes
\$150,000 to \$199,999	3,414,557	+/-24,894	4.6%	3,537,405	29,289	4.8%	3,830,792	5.3%	-10.9	yes	yes	-3.5	yes
\$200,000 or more	3,302,754	+/-21,574	4.4%	3,263,660	31,522	4.4%	3,251,013	4.5%	1.6	yes	yes	1.2	yes
Median family income (dollars)	58,526	+/-100		57,663	122		60,561		-3.4	yes		1.5	yes
Mean family income (dollars)	76,130	+/-110		74,966	166		78,249		-2.7	yes		1.6	yes
Per capita income (dollars)	25,267	+/-42		25,856	50		26,122		-3.3	yes		-2.3	yes
Nonfamily households	37,053,336	+/-77,513		36,749,468	92,060		33,277,342		11.3	yes		0.8	yes
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	29,521	+/-104		28,050	112		31,106		-5.1	yes		5.2	yes
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	41,515	+/-134		41,045	143		44,301		-6.3	yes		1.1	yes
Median earnings:	27,239	+/-38		28,194	43		28,746		-5.2	yes		-3.4	yes
Median earnings for male full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	42,210	+/-51		43,341	61		44,843		-5.9	yes		-2.6	yes
Median earnings for female full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	32,649	+/-93		33,223	54		32,907		-0.8	yes		-1.7	yes
PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL													
All families	9.8	+/-0.1		10.2	0.1		9		6.5	yes		-3.9	yes
With related children under 18 years	15	+/-0.1		15.6	0.1		14		10.3	yes		-3.8	yes
With related children under 5 years only	15.9	+/-0.2		17.1	0.2		17		-6.5	yes		-7.0	yes
Married-couple families	4.7	+/-0.1		5.0	0.1		5		-4.1	yes		-6.0	yes
With related children under 18 years	6.5	+/-0.1		6.9	0.1		7		-1.5	yes		-5.8	yes
With related children under 5 years only	6.1	+/-0.2		6.6	0.2		9		-28.2	yes		-7.6	yes
Families with female householder, no husband present	28.6	+/-0.2		29.4	0.2		27		7.9	yes		-2.7	yes
With related children under 18 years	36.9	+/-0.3		37.7	0.3		34		7.6	yes		-2.1	yes
With related children under 5 years only	45.2	+/-0.6		47.4	0.7		46		-2.6	yes		-4.6	yes
All people	13.3	+/-0.1		13.3	0.1		12		7.3	yes		0.0	no
Under 18 years	18.3	+/-0.2		18.5	0.2		17		10.2	yes		-1.1	yes
Related children under 18 years	17.9	+/-0.2		18.2	0.2		16		11.2	yes		-1.6	yes
Related children under 5 years	21	+/-0.2		21.3	0.3		18		15.4	yes		-1.4	yes
Related children 5 to 17 years	16.7	+/-0.2		17.0	0.2		15		8.4	yes		-1.8	yes
18 years and over	11.6	+/-0.1		11.6	0.1		11		6.4	yes		0.0	no
18 to 64 years	12	+/-0.1		11.9	0.1		11		8.1	yes		0.8	yes
65 years and over	9.9	+/-0.1		9.9	0.1		10		0.0	no		0.0	no
People in families	10.8	+/-0.1		11.8	0.1		11		0.0	no		-8.5	yes
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	24.4	+/-0.1		23.1	0.1		23		7.5	yes		5.6	yes