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SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

2006-2010 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, for 2010, the 2010 Census provides the official counts of the population and housing units for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns. For 2006 to 2009, the Population Estimates Program provides intercensal estimates of the population for the nation, states, and counties.

Subject	Van Buren city, Arkansas			
	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	9,823	+/-298	9,823	(X)
Occupied housing units	8,717	+/-296	88.7%	+/-2.6
Vacant housing units	1,106	+/-269	11.3%	+/-2.6
Homeowner vacancy rate	4.6	+/-2.9	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	12.0	+/-5.0	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	9,823	+/-298	9,823	(X)
1-unit, detached	7,550	+/-406	76.9%	+/-3.3
1-unit, attached	286	+/-143	2.9%	+/-1.5
2 units	598	+/-200	6.1%	+/-2.0
3 or 4 units	421	+/-189	4.3%	+/-1.9
5 to 9 units	354	+/-145	3.6%	+/-1.5
10 to 19 units	290	+/-111	3.0%	+/-1.1
20 or more units	224	+/-120	2.3%	+/-1.2
Mobile home	100	+/-62	1.0%	+/-0.6
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.3
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	9,823	+/-298	9,823	(X)
Built 2005 or later	797	+/-208	8.1%	+/-2.1
Built 2000 to 2004	877	+/-196	8.9%	+/-2.0
Built 1990 to 1999	2,023	+/-330	20.6%	+/-3.2
Built 1980 to 1989	1,520	+/-319	15.5%	+/-3.2
Built 1970 to 1979	2,331	+/-355	23.7%	+/-3.7
Built 1960 to 1969	781	+/-178	8.0%	+/-1.8
Built 1950 to 1959	480	+/-173	4.9%	+/-1.8
Built 1940 to 1949	395	+/-159	4.0%	+/-1.6
Built 1939 or earlier	619	+/-228	6.3%	+/-2.3
ROOMS				
Total housing units	9,823	+/-298	9,823	(X)
1 room	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.3
2 rooms	186	+/-112	1.9%	+/-1.1
3 rooms	642	+/-205	6.5%	+/-2.1
4 rooms	1,460	+/-294	14.9%	+/-2.9

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5 rooms	3,619	+/-444	36.8%	+/-4.2
6 rooms	2,066	+/-286	21.0%	+/-3.0
7 rooms	1,127	+/-237	11.5%	+/-2.4
8 rooms	235	+/-97	2.4%	+/-1.0
9 rooms or more	488	+/-162	5.0%	+/-1.7
Median rooms	5.2	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	9,823	+/-298	9,823	(X)
No bedroom	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.3
1 bedroom	660	+/-174	6.7%	+/-1.8
2 bedrooms	2,259	+/-326	23.0%	+/-3.1
3 bedrooms	5,564	+/-432	56.6%	+/-4.1
4 bedrooms	1,207	+/-231	12.3%	+/-2.4
5 or more bedrooms	133	+/-83	1.4%	+/-0.8
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	8,717	+/-296	8,717	(X)
Owner-occupied	5,469	+/-384	62.7%	+/-3.7
Renter-occupied	3,248	+/-327	37.3%	+/-3.7
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.66	+/-0.13	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.35	+/-0.18	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	8,717	+/-296	8,717	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	3,574	+/-350	41.0%	+/-3.8
Moved in 2000 to 2004	2,097	+/-313	24.1%	+/-3.6
Moved in 1990 to 1999	1,780	+/-264	20.4%	+/-2.9
Moved in 1980 to 1989	683	+/-168	7.8%	+/-1.8
Moved in 1970 to 1979	388	+/-128	4.5%	+/-1.4
Moved in 1969 or earlier	195	+/-98	2.2%	+/-1.1
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	8,717	+/-296	8,717	(X)
No vehicles available	586	+/-159	6.7%	+/-1.9
1 vehicle available	3,134	+/-327	36.0%	+/-3.6
2 vehicles available	3,618	+/-344	41.5%	+/-3.4
3 or more vehicles available	1,379	+/-208	15.8%	+/-2.3
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	8,717	+/-296	8,717	(X)
Utility gas	5,081	+/-350	58.3%	+/-3.6
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	27	+/-39	0.3%	+/-0.4
Electricity	3,547	+/-355	40.7%	+/-3.7
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.4
Coal or coke	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.4
Wood	36	+/-45	0.4%	+/-0.5
Solar energy	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.4
Other fuel	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.4
No fuel used	26	+/-32	0.3%	+/-0.4
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	8,717	+/-296	8,717	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	16	+/-26	0.2%	+/-0.3
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.4
No telephone service available	320	+/-130	3.7%	+/-1.4
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	8,717	+/-296	8,717	(X)
1.00 or less	8,631	+/-293	99.0%	+/-0.7
1.01 to 1.50	86	+/-64	1.0%	+/-0.7
1.51 or more	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-0.4
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	5,469	+/-384	5,469	(X)
Less than \$50,000	397	+/-155	7.3%	+/-2.7

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\$50,000 to \$99,999	2,358	+/-322	43.1%	+/-5.1
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,435	+/-227	26.2%	+/-3.9
\$150,000 to \$199,999	739	+/-182	13.5%	+/-3.1
\$200,000 to \$299,999	402	+/-151	7.4%	+/-2.7
\$300,000 to \$499,999	100	+/-99	1.8%	+/-1.8
\$500,000 to \$999,999	16	+/-26	0.3%	+/-0.5
\$1,000,000 or more	22	+/-36	0.4%	+/-0.7
Median (dollars)	99,400	+/-8,499	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	5,469	+/-384	5,469	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	3,788	+/-366	69.3%	+/-4.1
Housing units without a mortgage	1,681	+/-240	30.7%	+/-4.1
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	3,788	+/-366	3,788	(X)
Less than \$300	13	+/-22	0.3%	+/-0.6
\$300 to \$499	191	+/-117	5.0%	+/-3.0
\$500 to \$699	742	+/-204	19.6%	+/-4.8
\$700 to \$999	1,260	+/-250	33.3%	+/-5.4
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,171	+/-206	30.9%	+/-5.1
\$1,500 to \$1,999	347	+/-150	9.2%	+/-4.0
\$2,000 or more	64	+/-55	1.7%	+/-1.5
Median (dollars)	912	+/-49	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	1,681	+/-240	1,681	(X)
Less than \$100	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-1.9
\$100 to \$199	189	+/-96	11.2%	+/-5.4
\$200 to \$299	563	+/-150	33.5%	+/-7.9
\$300 to \$399	412	+/-142	24.5%	+/-7.4
\$400 or more	517	+/-166	30.8%	+/-9.0
Median (dollars)	316	+/-26	(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)	3,788	+/-366	3,788	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	1,879	+/-326	49.6%	+/-6.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	621	+/-215	16.4%	+/-5.4
25.0 to 29.9 percent	300	+/-121	7.9%	+/-3.0
30.0 to 34.9 percent	328	+/-125	8.7%	+/-3.3
35.0 percent or more	660	+/-204	17.4%	+/-5.2
Not computed	0	+/-119	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	1,681	+/-240	1,681	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	791	+/-167	47.1%	+/-7.0
10.0 to 14.9 percent	426	+/-148	25.3%	+/-7.5
15.0 to 19.9 percent	156	+/-88	9.3%	+/-5.2
20.0 to 24.9 percent	55	+/-55	3.3%	+/-3.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	84	+/-61	5.0%	+/-3.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	89	+/-73	5.3%	+/-4.3
35.0 percent or more	80	+/-62	4.8%	+/-3.6
Not computed	0	+/-119	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	3,159	+/-319	3,159	(X)
Less than \$200	75	+/-73	2.4%	+/-2.3
\$200 to \$299	125	+/-104	4.0%	+/-3.3
\$300 to \$499	695	+/-181	22.0%	+/-5.7
\$500 to \$749	1,272	+/-280	40.3%	+/-7.3
\$750 to \$999	831	+/-225	26.3%	+/-6.9
\$1,000 to \$1,499	161	+/-91	5.1%	+/-2.8
\$1,500 or more	0	+/-119	0.0%	+/-1.0
Median (dollars)	619	+/-36	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	89	+/-65	(X)	(X)

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GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	3,097	+/-321	3,097	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	368	+/-132	11.9%	+/-4.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	393	+/-186	12.7%	+/-5.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	528	+/-187	17.0%	+/-5.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	282	+/-149	9.1%	+/-4.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	389	+/-161	12.6%	+/-5.0
35.0 percent or more	1,137	+/-239	36.7%	+/-7.2
Not computed	151	+/-106	(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.

The median gross rent excludes no cash renters.

In prior years, the universe included all owner-occupied units with a mortgage. It is now restricted to include only those units where SMOCAPI is computed, that is, SMOC and household income are valid values.

In prior years, the universe included all owner-occupied units without a mortgage. It is now restricted to include only those units where SMOCAPI is computed, that is, SMOC and household income are valid values.

In prior years, the universe included all renter-occupied units. It is now restricted to include only those units where GRAPI is computed, that is, gross rent and household income are valid values.

The 2009 and 2010 plumbing data for Puerto Rico will not be shown. Research indicates that the questions on plumbing facilities that were introduced in 2008 in the stateside American Community Survey and the 2008 Puerto Rico Community Survey may not have been appropriate for Puerto Rico.

While the 2006-2010 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, 2006-2010 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.

