



Charlotte city, North Carolina

Selected Housing Characteristics: 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 Housing Characteristics	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Margin of Error
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	326,282	+/-3,054	326,282	(X)
Occupied housing units	294,421	+/-4,338	90.2%	+/-1.0
Vacant housing units	31,861	+/-3,424	9.8%	+/-1.0
Homeowner vacancy rate	3.5	+/-0.9	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	8.4	+/-1.6	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	326,282	+/-3,054	326,282	(X)
1-unit, detached	183,184	+/-5,158	56.1%	+/-1.5
1-unit, attached	25,216	+/-2,773	7.7%	+/-0.8
2 units	6,052	+/-1,502	1.9%	+/-0.5
3 or 4 units	11,354	+/-1,802	3.5%	+/-0.5
5 to 9 units	21,837	+/-2,671	6.7%	+/-0.8
10 to 19 units	35,747	+/-2,808	11.0%	+/-0.9
20 or more units	37,730	+/-3,815	11.6%	+/-1.2
Mobile home	5,099	+/-1,479	1.6%	+/-0.4
Boat, RV, van, etc.	63	+/-105	0.0%	+/-0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	326,282	+/-3,054	326,282	(X)
Built 2005 or later	25,839	+/-2,821	7.9%	+/-0.9
Built 2000 to 2004	51,545	+/-4,629	15.8%	+/-1.4
Built 1990 to 1999	70,258	+/-4,186	21.5%	+/-1.3
Built 1980 to 1989	55,745	+/-3,111	17.1%	+/-0.9
Built 1970 to 1979	41,985	+/-3,189	12.9%	+/-1.0
Built 1960 to 1969	30,885	+/-2,530	9.5%	+/-0.8
Built 1950 to 1959	28,211	+/-2,993	8.6%	+/-0.9
Built 1940 to 1949	9,471	+/-1,576	2.9%	+/-0.5
Built 1939 or earlier	12,343	+/-1,697	3.8%	+/-0.5
ROOMS				
Total housing units	326,282	+/-3,054	326,282	(X)
1 room	3,880	+/-1,329	1.2%	+/-0.4
2 rooms	4,648	+/-983	1.4%	+/-0.3
3 rooms	35,743	+/-3,695	11.0%	+/-1.1
4 rooms	67,338	+/-4,640	20.6%	+/-1.4
5 rooms	65,139	+/-4,056	20.0%	+/-1.2
6 rooms	48,517	+/-3,593	14.9%	+/-1.1
7 rooms	36,955	+/-3,125	11.3%	+/-1.0
8 rooms	26,630	+/-2,510	8.2%	+/-0.8
9 rooms or more	37,432	+/-2,824	11.5%	+/-0.9

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Median rooms	5.3	+/-0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	326,282	+/-3,054	326,282	(X)
No bedroom	4,182	+/-1,402	1.3%	+/-0.4
1 bedroom	41,908	+/-4,119	12.8%	+/-1.3
2 bedrooms	90,402	+/-5,253	27.7%	+/-1.6
3 bedrooms	122,900	+/-5,404	37.7%	+/-1.6
4 bedrooms	54,815	+/-3,496	16.8%	+/-1.1
5 or more bedrooms	12,075	+/-1,897	3.7%	+/-0.6
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	294,421	+/-4,338	294,421	(X)
Owner-occupied	168,419	+/-4,608	57.2%	+/-1.4
Renter-occupied	126,002	+/-4,613	42.8%	+/-1.4
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.46	+/-0.05	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.20	+/-0.07	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	294,421	+/-4,338	294,421	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	164,282	+/-5,186	55.8%	+/-1.4
Moved in 2000 to 2004	58,714	+/-3,795	19.9%	+/-1.3
Moved in 1990 to 1999	39,762	+/-2,563	13.5%	+/-0.9
Moved in 1980 to 1989	14,668	+/-1,739	5.0%	+/-0.6
Moved in 1970 to 1979	8,987	+/-1,406	3.1%	+/-0.5
Moved in 1969 or earlier	8,008	+/-1,309	2.7%	+/-0.4
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	294,421	+/-4,338	294,421	(X)
No vehicles available	22,483	+/-2,622	7.6%	+/-0.9
1 vehicle available	113,517	+/-4,673	38.6%	+/-1.6
2 vehicles available	117,038	+/-5,161	39.8%	+/-1.5
3 or more vehicles available	41,383	+/-2,772	14.1%	+/-0.9
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	294,421	+/-4,338	294,421	(X)
Utility gas	149,396	+/-4,563	50.7%	+/-1.4
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	2,349	+/-741	0.8%	+/-0.3
Electricity	137,923	+/-4,504	46.8%	+/-1.3
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	3,730	+/-1,037	1.3%	+/-0.4
Coal or coke	0	+/-287	0.0%	+/-0.1
Wood	272	+/-240	0.1%	+/-0.1
Solar energy	31	+/-54	0.0%	+/-0.1
Other fuel	386	+/-338	0.1%	+/-0.1
No fuel used	334	+/-245	0.1%	+/-0.1
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	294,421	+/-4,338	294,421	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	2,175	+/-956	0.7%	+/-0.3
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	2,533	+/-1,154	0.9%	+/-0.4
No telephone service available	5,103	+/-1,384	1.7%	+/-0.5
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	294,421	+/-4,338	294,421	(X)
1.00 or less	286,454	+/-4,581	97.3%	+/-0.7
1.01 to 1.50	6,681	+/-1,762	2.3%	+/-0.6
1.51 or more	1,286	+/-692	0.4%	+/-0.2
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	168,419	+/-4,608	168,419	(X)
Less than \$50,000	4,501	+/-1,255	2.7%	+/-0.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	18,601	+/-2,000	11.0%	+/-1.1
\$100,000 to \$149,999	41,105	+/-3,031	24.4%	+/-1.7
\$150,000 to \$199,999	33,159	+/-2,739	19.7%	+/-1.5
\$200,000 to \$299,999	32,507	+/-2,623	19.3%	+/-1.5

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\$300,000 to \$499,999	21,262	+/-1,982	12.6%	+/-1.1
\$500,000 to \$999,999	13,912	+/-1,728	8.3%	+/-1.0
\$1,000,000 or more	3,372	+/-882	2.0%	+/-0.5
Median (dollars)	175,600	+/-4,363	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	168,419	+/-4,608	168,419	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	136,941	+/-4,434	81.3%	+/-1.4
Housing units without a mortgage	31,478	+/-2,492	18.7%	+/-1.4
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	136,941	+/-4,434	136,941	(X)
Less than \$300	0	+/-287	0.0%	+/-0.1
\$300 to \$499	1,081	+/-347	0.8%	+/-0.3
\$500 to \$699	5,319	+/-1,124	3.9%	+/-0.8
\$700 to \$999	19,307	+/-2,144	14.1%	+/-1.6
\$1,000 to \$1,499	53,960	+/-3,353	39.4%	+/-2.0
\$1,500 to \$1,999	28,997	+/-2,626	21.2%	+/-1.7
\$2,000 or more	28,277	+/-2,331	20.6%	+/-1.6
Median (dollars)	1,393	+/-19	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	31,478	+/-2,492	31,478	(X)
Less than \$100	63	+/-105	0.2%	+/-0.3
\$100 to \$199	1,227	+/-562	3.9%	+/-1.8
\$200 to \$299	3,797	+/-816	12.1%	+/-2.5
\$300 to \$399	6,919	+/-1,339	22.0%	+/-3.7
\$400 or more	19,472	+/-2,003	61.9%	+/-4.3
Median (dollars)	452	+/-17	(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)	136,504	+/-4,454	136,504	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	52,771	+/-3,670	38.7%	+/-2.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	21,325	+/-2,203	15.6%	+/-1.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	15,999	+/-2,016	11.7%	+/-1.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	13,313	+/-2,124	9.8%	+/-1.5
35.0 percent or more	33,096	+/-3,468	24.2%	+/-2.3
Not computed	437	+/-273	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	31,097	+/-2,480	31,097	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	12,860	+/-1,853	41.4%	+/-4.6
10.0 to 14.9 percent	6,452	+/-1,189	20.7%	+/-3.7
15.0 to 19.9 percent	3,298	+/-860	10.6%	+/-2.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	2,085	+/-661	6.7%	+/-2.0
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,909	+/-730	6.1%	+/-2.3
30.0 to 34.9 percent	719	+/-333	2.3%	+/-1.0
35.0 percent or more	3,774	+/-1,083	12.1%	+/-3.2
Not computed	381	+/-294	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	122,973	+/-4,907	122,973	(X)
Less than \$200	2,633	+/-882	2.1%	+/-0.7
\$200 to \$299	1,939	+/-782	1.6%	+/-0.6
\$300 to \$499	6,955	+/-1,856	5.7%	+/-1.4
\$500 to \$749	36,453	+/-3,380	29.6%	+/-2.7
\$750 to \$999	40,499	+/-3,731	32.9%	+/-2.7
\$1,000 to \$1,499	28,688	+/-3,544	23.3%	+/-2.7
\$1,500 or more	5,806	+/-1,544	4.7%	+/-1.2
Median (dollars)	811	+/-20	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	3,029	+/-1,067	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	119,401	+/-4,846	119,401	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	14,690	+/-2,018	12.3%	+/-1.6

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15.0 to 19.9 percent	19,105	+/-2,667	16.0%	+/-2.1
20.0 to 24.9 percent	16,318	+/-2,056	13.7%	+/-1.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	13,166	+/-2,229	11.0%	+/-1.8
30.0 to 34.9 percent	10,797	+/-1,901	9.0%	+/-1.6
35.0 percent or more	45,325	+/-3,832	38.0%	+/-2.8
Not computed	6,601	+/-1,591	(X)	(X)

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:

- Caution should be used when comparing data for Number of Rooms between 2008 and 2009. A data collection error was identified for 2008 impacting the "1 room" category. For more information please see [Errata Note #54](#).
- Caution should be used when comparing data for Number of Bedrooms between 2008 and 2009. A data collection error was identified for 2008 impacting the "0 bedrooms" category. For more information please see [Errata Note #54](#).
- The 2009 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.
- Caution should be used when comparing data for Telephone Service Availability between 2008 and 2009. A data collection error was identified for 2008 impacting the "no" category and underreporting those who did not have telephone service available. For more information please see [Errata Note #53](#).
- Caution should be used when comparing data for Occupants per Room between 2008 and 2009. A data collection error was identified for 2008 impacting the "1 room" category. For more information please see [Errata Note #54](#).
- 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 median gross rent excludes no cash renters.
- 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.
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.