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United States

Selected Housing Characteristics: 2004

Data Set: 2004 American Community Survey

NOTE. Data are limited to the household population and exclude the population living in institutions, college dormitories, and other group quarters. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see [Survey Methodology](#).

Selected Housing Characteristics: 2004	Estimate	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
HOUSING OCCUPANCY			
Total housing units	122,671,734	*****	*****
Occupied housing units	109,902,090	109,663,965	110,140,215
Vacant housing units	12,769,644	12,531,519	13,007,769
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.7	1.6	1.8
Rental vacancy rate	8.1	7.9	8.3
UNITS IN STRUCTURE			
1-unit, detached	75,057,202	74,769,447	75,344,957
1-unit, attached	6,891,601	6,806,724	6,976,478
2 units	5,042,360	4,956,661	5,128,059
3 or 4 units	5,739,277	5,647,975	5,830,579
5 to 9 units	6,088,586	5,979,343	6,197,829
10 to 19 units	5,521,813	5,421,291	5,622,335
20 or more units	9,526,484	9,420,721	9,632,247
Mobile home	8,717,845	8,509,476	8,926,214
Boat, RV, van, etc.	86,566	70,887	102,245
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT			
2000 or later	7,535,088	7,425,392	7,644,784
1995 to 1999	10,115,631	9,987,049	10,244,213
1990 to 1994	8,892,303	8,774,781	9,009,825
1980 to 1989	18,406,439	18,272,715	18,540,163
1970 to 1979	21,462,868	21,299,647	21,626,089
1960 to 1969	15,137,038	15,009,917	15,264,159
1950 to 1959	14,826,857	14,674,936	14,978,778
1940 to 1949	7,959,497	7,863,849	8,055,145
1939 or earlier	18,336,013	18,106,723	18,565,303
ROOMS			
1 room	1,189,672	1,149,991	1,229,353
2 rooms	3,908,800	3,839,005	3,978,595
3 rooms	11,467,134	11,326,566	11,607,702
4 rooms	21,803,418	21,621,301	21,985,535
5 rooms	26,719,750	26,554,212	26,885,288
6 rooms	23,140,319	23,007,513	23,273,125
7 rooms	15,116,712	14,991,610	15,241,814
8 rooms	9,666,527	9,565,223	9,767,831
9 rooms or more	9,659,402	9,549,066	9,769,738
Median (rooms)	5.4	5.2	5.6

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BEDROOMS			
No bedroom	1,550,579	1,504,602	1,596,556
1 bedroom	14,744,165	14,607,028	14,881,302
2 bedrooms	34,786,589	34,586,029	34,987,149
3 bedrooms	48,833,466	48,616,817	49,050,115
4 bedrooms	18,338,502	18,203,304	18,473,700
5 bedrooms or more	4,418,433	4,363,189	4,473,677
Occupied housing units	109,902,090	109,663,965	110,140,215
HOUSING TENURE			
Owner-occupied	73,754,173	73,355,708	74,152,638
Renter-occupied	36,147,917	35,880,329	36,415,505
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.70	2.69	2.71
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.39	2.38	2.40
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT			
2000 or later	47,762,934	47,560,712	47,965,156
1995 to 1999	20,805,196	20,651,204	20,959,188
1990 to 1994	12,057,348	11,949,548	12,165,148
1980 to 1989	13,158,677	13,050,172	13,267,182
1970 to 1979	8,431,663	8,340,766	8,522,560
1969 or earlier	7,686,272	7,602,491	7,770,053
VEHICLES AVAILABLE			
No vehicles available	9,626,376	9,521,826	9,730,926
1 vehicle available	36,506,960	36,330,689	36,683,231
2 vehicles available	42,350,190	42,135,017	42,565,363
3 or more vehicles available	21,418,564	21,263,563	21,573,565
HOUSE HEATING FUEL			
Utility gas	55,763,928	55,324,791	56,203,065
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	6,839,664	6,620,802	7,058,526
Electricity	34,815,624	34,455,679	35,175,569
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	9,184,460	8,938,108	9,430,812
Coal or coke	158,318	133,817	182,819
Wood	1,791,422	1,692,040	1,890,804
Solar energy	36,264	30,074	42,454
Other fuel	428,954	408,779	449,129
No fuel used	883,456	857,780	909,132
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS			
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	461,894	439,111	484,677
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	571,708	546,554	596,862
No telephone service available	4,764,467	4,655,656	4,873,278
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM			
1.00 or less	106,511,410	106,269,359	106,753,461
1.01 to 1.50	2,567,069	2,514,431	2,619,707
1.51 or more	823,611	793,124	854,098
Owner-occupied units	73,754,173	73,355,708	74,152,638
VALUE			
Less than \$50,000	7,454,042	7,293,763	7,614,321
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15,100,516	14,913,511	15,287,521
\$100,000 to \$149,999	13,993,069	13,827,091	14,159,047
\$150,000 to \$199,999	10,451,920	10,327,205	10,576,635
\$200,000 to \$299,999	10,781,732	10,654,384	10,909,080
\$300,000 to \$499,999	9,956,999	9,858,666	10,055,332
\$500,000 to \$999,999	4,981,509	4,915,070	5,047,948
\$1,000,000 or more	1,034,386	1,005,368	1,063,404

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Median (dollars)	151,366	150,434	152,298
MORTGAGE STATUS AND SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS			
Housing units with a mortgage	49,782,384	49,470,304	50,094,464
Less than \$300	265,760	249,976	281,544
\$300 to \$499	1,999,050	1,946,361	2,051,739
\$500 to \$699	4,879,431	4,809,840	4,949,022
\$700 to \$999	10,665,631	10,564,926	10,766,336
\$1,000 to \$1,499	15,012,317	14,856,852	15,167,782
\$1,500 to \$1,999	8,284,385	8,174,191	8,394,579
\$2,000 or more	8,675,810	8,593,307	8,758,313
Median (dollars)	1,212	1,208	1,216
Housing units without a mortgage	23,971,789	23,787,714	24,155,864
Less than \$100	473,006	451,041	494,971
\$100 to \$199	3,185,126	3,111,598	3,258,654
\$200 to \$299	5,832,993	5,750,996	5,914,990
\$300 to \$399	5,220,046	5,155,173	5,284,919
\$400 or more	9,260,618	9,167,409	9,353,827
Median (dollars)	345	343	347
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME			
Housing unit with a mortgage	49,782,384	49,470,304	50,094,464
Less than 20.0 percent	18,837,782	18,681,407	18,994,157
20.0 to 24.9 percent	8,398,483	8,300,628	8,496,338
25.0 to 29.9 percent	6,228,983	6,143,357	6,314,609
30.0 to 34.9 percent	4,164,847	4,101,297	4,228,397
35.0 percent or more	11,946,686	11,849,981	12,043,391
Not computed	205,603	190,791	220,415
Housing unit without a mortgage	23,971,789	23,787,714	24,155,864
Less than 10.0 percent	9,796,061	9,682,299	9,909,823
10.0 to 14.9 percent	4,764,390	4,703,447	4,825,333
15.0 to 19.9 percent	2,851,272	2,807,212	2,895,332
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,761,205	1,722,151	1,800,259
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,143,743	1,119,113	1,168,373
30.0 to 34.9 percent	802,593	777,577	827,609
35.0 percent or more	2,620,238	2,575,721	2,664,755
Not computed	232,287	217,975	246,599
Renter-occupied units	36,147,917	35,880,329	36,415,505
GROSS RENT			
Less than \$200	1,331,724	1,289,968	1,373,480
\$200 to \$299	1,400,313	1,362,782	1,437,844
\$300 to \$499	5,578,208	5,484,178	5,672,238
\$500 to \$749	11,112,318	10,956,151	11,268,485
\$750 to \$999	7,692,958	7,590,308	7,795,608
\$1,000 to \$1,499	4,975,776	4,900,725	5,050,827
\$1,500 or more	1,873,549	1,832,488	1,914,610
No cash rent	2,183,071	2,135,052	2,231,090
Median (dollars)	694	692	696
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME			
Less than 15.0 percent	4,673,416	4,596,557	4,750,275
15.0 to 19.9 percent	4,372,792	4,296,535	4,449,049
20.0 to 24.9 percent	4,374,549	4,302,352	4,446,746
25.0 to 29.9 percent	3,950,411	3,881,345	4,019,477
30.0 to 34.9 percent	2,948,416	2,892,813	3,004,019
35.0 percent or more	12,978,991	12,815,409	13,142,573
Not computed	2,849,342	2,789,751	2,908,933

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2004 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 confidence interval. The interval shown here is a 90 percent confidence interval. The stated range can be interpreted roughly as providing a 90 percent probability that the interval defined by the lower and upper 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:

- The median gross rent excludes no cash renters.

Explanation of Symbols:

1. An '**' entry in the lower and upper bound columns indicates that too few sample observations were available to compute a standard error and thus the lower and upper bounds. A statistical test is not appropriate.
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3. An '-' entry in the estimate column indicates that no sample observations were available to compute an estimate.
4. An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
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