

Table 4.

People and Families in Poverty by Selected Characteristics: 2009 and 2010(Numbers in thousands, confidence intervals [C.I.] in thousands or percentage points as appropriate. People as of March of the following year. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see www.census.gov/apspd/techdoc/cps/cpsmar11.pdf)

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PEOPLE												
Total	303,820	43,569	801	14.3	0.3	305,688	46,180	842	15.1	0.3	*2,611	*0.8
Family Status												
In families	249,384	31,197	723	12.5	0.3	249,855	33,007	727	13.2	0.3	*1,809	*0.7
Householder	78,867	8,792	217	11.1	0.3	78,633	9,221	215	11.7	0.3	*429	*0.6
Related children under 18	73,410	14,774	384	20.1	0.5	73,227	15,730	368	21.5	0.5	*956	*1.4
Related children under 6	25,104	5,983	185	23.8	0.7	25,096	6,343	205	25.3	0.8	*360	*1.4
In unrelated subfamilies	1,357	693	100	51.1	5.1	1,650	751	108	45.5	4.6	58	-5.5
Reference person	521	253	36	48.7	4.9	641	274	40	42.6	4.6	20	-6.0
Children under 18	747	423	64	56.6	5.5	922	459	69	49.8	4.8	36	-6.8
Unrelated individuals	53,079	11,678	345	22.0	0.5	54,183	12,422	366	22.9	0.6	*743	*0.9
Male	26,269	5,255	215	20.0	0.6	26,745	5,796	240	21.7	0.8	*541	*1.7
Female	26,811	6,424	239	24.0	0.7	27,438	6,626	225	24.1	0.7	202	0.2
Race³ and Hispanic Origin												
White	242,047	29,830	693	12.3	0.3	243,013	31,650	689	13.0	0.3	*1,819	*0.7
White, not Hispanic	197,164	18,530	589	9.4	0.3	197,203	19,599	564	9.9	0.3	*1,070	*0.5
Black	38,556	9,944	397	25.8	1.0	38,965	10,675	406	27.4	1.0	*732	*1.6
Asian	14,005	1,746	163	12.5	1.2	14,324	1,729	160	12.1	1.1	-17	-0.4
Hispanic (any race)	48,811	12,350	440	25.3	0.9	49,869	13,243	419	26.6	0.8	*893	*1.3
Age												
Under 18 years	74,579	15,451	395	20.7	0.5	74,494	16,401	369	22.0	0.5	*950	*1.3
18 to 64 years	190,627	24,684	496	12.9	0.3	192,015	26,258	556	13.7	0.3	*1,574	*0.7
18 to 24 years	29,313	6,071	213	20.7	0.7	29,651	6,507	253	21.9	0.8	*436	*1.2
25 to 34 years	41,085	6,123	200	14.9	0.5	41,584	6,333	210	15.2	0.5	210	0.3
35 to 44 years	40,447	4,756	170	11.8	0.4	39,842	5,028	184	12.6	0.5	*272	*0.9
45 to 54 years	44,387	4,421	171	10.0	0.4	43,954	4,662	185	10.6	0.4	*240	*0.6
55 to 59 years	19,172	1,792	118	9.3	0.6	19,554	1,972	120	10.1	0.6	*180	0.7
60 to 64 years	16,223	1,520	99	9.4	0.6	17,430	1,755	107	10.1	0.6	*235	0.7
65 years and older	38,613	3,433	171	8.9	0.4	39,179	3,520	161	9.0	0.4	87	0.1
Nativity												
Native born	266,223	36,407	739	13.7	0.3	267,487	38,568	794	14.4	0.3	*2,161	*0.7
Foreign born	37,597	7,162	300	19.0	0.7	38,201	7,611	289	19.9	0.7	*450	0.9
Naturalized citizen	16,024	1,736	116	10.8	0.7	16,797	1,906	119	11.3	0.7	*169	0.5
Not a citizen	21,573	5,425	275	25.1	1.0	21,403	5,706	264	26.7	1.1	281	*1.5
Region												
Northeast	54,571	6,650	329	12.2	0.6	54,718	6,987	325	12.8	0.6	336	0.6
Midwest	65,980	8,768	352	13.3	0.5	66,006	9,148	404	13.9	0.6	380	0.6
South	112,165	17,609	564	15.7	0.5	113,137	19,072	572	16.9	0.5	*1,463	*1.2
West	71,103	10,542	391	14.8	0.6	71,827	10,973	443	15.3	0.6	431	0.5
Residence												
Inside metropolitan statistical areas	256,028	35,655	845	13.9	0.3	258,025	38,325	929	14.9	0.3	*2,670	*0.9
Inside principal cities	97,725	18,261	690	18.7	0.6	98,655	19,465	583	19.7	0.5	*1,204	*1.0
Outside principal cities	158,302	17,394	717	11.0	0.4	159,370	18,860	738	11.8	0.4	*1,466	*0.8
Outside metropolitan statistical areas ⁴	47,792	7,914	567	16.6	0.7	47,663	7,855	541	16.5	0.7	-60	-0.1
Work Experience												
Total, 16 years and older	238,095	29,625	577	12.4	0.2	239,917	31,382	614	13.1	0.3	*1,758	*0.6
All workers	154,772	10,680	291	6.9	0.2	153,141	10,666	280	7.0	0.2	-15	0.1
Worked full-time, year-round	99,306	2,641	120	2.7	0.1	99,250	2,608	122	2.6	0.1	-33	-
Less than full-time, year-round	55,466	8,039	260	14.5	0.5	53,891	8,057	248	15.0	0.4	18	0.5
Did not work at least 1 week	83,323	18,944	464	22.7	0.5	86,776	20,717	490	23.9	0.5	*1,772	*1.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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Disability Status⁵												
Total, 18 to 64 years	190,627	24,684	496	12.9	0.3	192,015	26,258	556	13.7	0.3	*1,574	*0.7
With a disability	14,644	3,655	169	25.0	1.0	14,935	4,165	193	27.9	1.0	*510	*2.9
With no disability	175,048	20,966	448	12.0	0.3	176,161	22,017	494	12.5	0.3	*1,051	*0.5
FAMILIES												
Total	78,867	8,792	217	11.1	0.3	78,633	9,221	215	11.7	0.3	*429	*0.6
Type of Family												
Married-couple	58,428	3,409	139	5.8	0.2	58,047	3,596	148	6.2	0.2	*188	*0.4
Female householder, no husband present	14,857	4,441	152	29.9	0.9	15,026	4,745	150	31.6	0.9	*304	*1.7
Male householder, no wife present	5,582	942	68	16.9	1.1	5,560	880	68	15.8	1.1	-62	-1.1

– Represents or rounds to zero. * Statistically different from zero at the 90 percent confidence level.

¹ A 90 percent confidence interval is a measure of an estimate's variability. The larger the confidence interval in relation to the size of the estimate, the less reliable the estimate. Confidence intervals shown in this table are based on standard errors calculated using replicate weights instead of the generalized variance function used in the past. For more information, see "Standard Errors and Their Use" at <www.census.gov/hhes/www/p60_239sa.pdf>.

² Details may not sum to totals because of rounding.

³ Federal surveys now give respondents the option of reporting more than one race. Therefore, two basic ways of defining a race group are possible. A group such as Asian may be defined as those who reported Asian and no other race (the race-alone or single-race concept) or as those who reported Asian regardless of whether they also reported another race (the race-alone-or-in-combination concept). This table shows data using the first approach (race alone). The use of the single-race population does not imply that it is the preferred method of presenting or analyzing data. The Census Bureau uses a variety of approaches. Information on people who reported more than one race, such as White **and** American Indian and Alaska Native or Asian **and** Black or African American, is available from the Census 2010 through American FactFinder. About 2.9 percent of people reported more than one race in Census 2010. Data for American Indians and Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians and Other Pacific Islanders, and those reporting two or more races are not shown separately.

⁴ The "Outside metropolitan statistical areas" category includes both micropolitan statistical areas and territory outside of metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas. For more information, see "About Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas" at <www.census.gov/population/www/estimates/aboutmetro.html>.

⁵ The sum of those with and without a disability does not equal the total because disability status is not defined for individuals in the Armed Forces.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2010 and 2011 Annual Social and Economic Supplements.