

**Table HC2-7b. Household Characteristics by Four Most Populated States,
Percent of U.S. Households, 1997**

Household Characteristics	Total	Four Most Populated States				RSE Row Factors
		New York	California	Texas	Florida	
RSE Column Factor:	0.4	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.4	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0
1997 Household Income Category						
Less than \$5,000	3.7	4.3	2.8	4.8	1.9	16.2
\$5,000 to \$9,999	9.4	12.9	9.9	8.2	12.4	14.2
\$10,000 to \$14,999	10.2	6.5	14.3	11.4	12.1	14.3
\$15,000 to \$19,999	10.2	5.5	14.1	8.4	10.1	11.0
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8.3	7.5	7.0	10.0	7.8	11.2
\$25,000 to \$34,999	15.4	16.9	13.4	14.9	13.0	10.5
\$35,000 to \$49,999	15.3	13.8	13.2	13.2	15.4	10.1
\$50,000 to \$74,999	16.2	20.9	9.6	16.4	16.7	10.0
\$75,000 or More	11.3	11.5	15.6	12.6	10.7	12.7
Below Poverty Line						
100 Percent	14.4	16.3	18.8	14.1	13.9	10.0
125 Percent	19.4	20.3	24.7	19.1	21.0	10.7
Eligible for Federal Assistance¹	33.6	31.6	43.2	32.8	33.1	5.7
Age of Householder						
Under 25 Years	5.6	4.8	6.4	7.6	5.3	11.0
25 to 34 Years	18.3	17.3	22.1	20.7	17.4	7.8
35 to 44 Years	22.8	18.0	22.0	21.2	24.6	5.5
45 to 59 Years	25.2	27.8	22.7	28.6	22.1	5.3
60 Years and Over	28.1	32.1	26.8	21.9	30.7	7.5
Race of Householder						
White	77.3	71.1	58.0	70.1	75.5	3.6
Black	12.5	10.2	7.5	16.1	15.4	15.5
Other ²	10.2	18.8	34.5	13.7	9.0	14.9
Householder of Hispanic Descent						
Yes	9.3	15.0	23.7	18.3	16.7	16.5
No	90.7	85.0	76.3	81.7	83.3	3.5
Household Size						
1 Person	25.2	26.1	21.7	22.0	23.2	7.5
2 Persons	32.5	34.6	30.0	29.5	36.0	5.6
3 Persons	17.2	18.1	21.1	17.8	16.5	6.8
4 Persons	15.0	14.8	13.4	15.9	16.4	7.9
5 Persons	6.3	4.2	7.3	9.1	5.0	17.1
6 or More Persons	3.8	2.2	6.4	5.6	3.0	23.3
Household Owns or Has Regular Use of a Motor Vehicle						
No	12.7	27.3	14.7	8.9	10.8	6.2
Yes	87.3	72.7	85.3	91.1	89.2	1.2
1 Vehicle	33.0	31.8	32.6	33.5	37.7	6.3
2 Vehicles	37.5	30.6	35.5	39.5	41.4	5.1
3 Vehicles	11.8	8.4	11.2	13.1	7.4	11.3
4 or More Vehicles	4.9	1.9	6.0	5.0	2.7	23.1

¹ Below 150 percent of poverty line or 60 percent of median State income.

² Includes 5.5 million householders who described themselves as Hispanic rather than White, Black, or other.

Notes: • To obtain the RSE percentage for any table cell, multiply the corresponding column and row factors. • Because of rounding, data may not sum to totals. • Percentages are calculated on unrounded numbers. • See "Glossary" for definition of terms used in this report.

Source: Energy Information Administration, Office of Energy Markets and End Use, Forms EIA-457 A, B, C of the 1997 Residential Energy Consumption Survey.