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SELECTED ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS
2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

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](#).

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.

Subject	Mercer County, Kentucky			
	Estimate	Estimate Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
EMPLOYMENT STATUS				
Population 16 years and over	16,699	+/-134	16,699	(X)
In labor force	10,746	+/-328	64.4%	+/-1.9
Civilian labor force	10,746	+/-328	64.4%	+/-1.9
Employed	9,753	+/-377	58.4%	+/-2.2
Unemployed	993	+/-195	5.9%	+/-1.2
Armed Forces	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.2
Not in labor force	5,953	+/-314	35.6%	+/-1.9
Civilian labor force	10,746	+/-328	10,746	(X)
Percent Unemployed	(X)	(X)	9.2%	+/-1.8
Females 16 years and over				
Population 16 years and over	8,695	+/-124	8,695	(X)
In labor force	5,108	+/-264	58.7%	+/-2.8
Civilian labor force	5,108	+/-264	58.7%	+/-2.8
Employed	4,695	+/-260	54.0%	+/-2.8
Own children under 6 years	1,713	+/-159	1,713	(X)
All parents in family in labor force	980	+/-234	57.2%	+/-12.5
Own children 6 to 17 years	3,067	+/-186	3,067	(X)
All parents in family in labor force	2,295	+/-260	74.8%	+/-6.5
COMMUTING TO WORK				
Workers 16 years and over	9,239	+/-420	9,239	(X)
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	7,613	+/-435	82.4%	+/-3.1
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	1,299	+/-304	14.1%	+/-3.2
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.4
Walked	25	+/-25	0.3%	+/-0.3
Other means	33	+/-30	0.4%	+/-0.3
Worked at home	269	+/-96	2.9%	+/-1.0
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	24.6	+/-1.4	(X)	(X)
OCCUPATION				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	9,753	+/-377	9,753	(X)
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	3,077	+/-293	31.5%	+/-2.8
Service occupations	1,618	+/-304	16.6%	+/-2.9
Sales and office occupations	1,978	+/-292	20.3%	+/-2.9
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	1,191	+/-261	12.2%	+/-2.7
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	1,889	+/-238	19.4%	+/-2.4
INDUSTRY				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	9,753	+/-377	9,753	(X)
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	336	+/-112	3.4%	+/-1.2
Construction	839	+/-202	8.6%	+/-2.1
Manufacturing	2,147	+/-301	22.0%	+/-3.0
Wholesale trade	171	+/-79	1.8%	+/-0.8
Retail trade	1,173	+/-238	12.0%	+/-2.4
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	429	+/-138	4.4%	+/-1.4
Information	242	+/-98	2.5%	+/-1.0
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	380	+/-122	3.9%	+/-1.3
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	554	+/-146	5.7%	+/-1.5

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Educational services, and health care and social assistance	1,986	+/-267	20.4%	+/-2.7
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	710	+/-216	7.3%	+/-2.1
Other services, except public administration	357	+/-114	3.7%	+/-1.2
Public administration	429	+/-117	4.4%	+/-1.2
CLASS OF WORKER				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	9,753	+/-377	9,753	(X)
Private wage and salary workers	7,699	+/-407	78.9%	+/-2.6
Government workers	1,230	+/-187	12.6%	+/-1.9
Self-employed in own not incorporated business workers	812	+/-190	8.3%	+/-1.9
Unpaid family workers	12	+/-18	0.1%	+/-0.2
INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2010 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)				
Total households	8,464	+/-338	8,464	(X)
Less than \$10,000	674	+/-150	8.0%	+/-1.7
\$10,000 to \$14,999	681	+/-174	8.0%	+/-2.0
\$15,000 to \$24,999	785	+/-156	9.3%	+/-1.8
\$25,000 to \$34,999	1,003	+/-191	11.9%	+/-2.2
\$35,000 to \$49,999	1,251	+/-226	14.8%	+/-2.6
\$50,000 to \$74,999	2,003	+/-284	23.7%	+/-3.1
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,007	+/-175	11.9%	+/-2.0
\$100,000 to \$149,999	728	+/-149	8.6%	+/-1.8
\$150,000 to \$199,999	185	+/-84	2.2%	+/-1.0
\$200,000 or more	147	+/-68	1.7%	+/-0.8
Median household income (dollars)	47,955	+/-3,793	(X)	(X)
Mean household income (dollars)	57,553	+/-3,670	(X)	(X)
With earnings	6,339	+/-347	74.9%	+/-2.6
Mean earnings (dollars)	57,462	+/-4,027	(X)	(X)
With Social Security	3,045	+/-206	36.0%	+/-2.0
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	14,468	+/-892	(X)	(X)
With retirement income	2,101	+/-209	24.8%	+/-2.3
Mean retirement income (dollars)	20,499	+/-2,155	(X)	(X)
With Supplemental Security Income	370	+/-119	4.4%	+/-1.4
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	5,990	+/-1,191	(X)	(X)
With cash public assistance income	211	+/-107	2.5%	+/-1.2
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,041	+/-987	(X)	(X)
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits in the past 12 months	1,024	+/-212	12.1%	+/-2.3
Families	5,959	+/-347	5,959	(X)
Less than \$10,000	166	+/-77	2.8%	+/-1.3
\$10,000 to \$14,999	220	+/-85	3.7%	+/-1.4
\$15,000 to \$24,999	450	+/-121	7.6%	+/-1.9
\$25,000 to \$34,999	694	+/-180	11.6%	+/-2.9
\$35,000 to \$49,999	943	+/-201	15.8%	+/-3.2
\$50,000 to \$74,999	1,678	+/-244	28.2%	+/-3.6
\$75,000 to \$99,999	890	+/-180	14.9%	+/-3.0
\$100,000 to \$149,999	634	+/-131	10.6%	+/-2.3
\$150,000 to \$199,999	178	+/-83	3.0%	+/-1.4
\$200,000 or more	106	+/-57	1.8%	+/-1.0
Median family income (dollars)	55,127	+/-2,981	(X)	(X)
Mean family income (dollars)	65,349	+/-4,069	(X)	(X)
Per capita income (dollars)	23,645	+/-1,465	(X)	(X)
Nonfamily households	2,505	+/-275	2,505	(X)
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	21,725	+/-3,417	(X)	(X)
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	37,625	+/-7,739	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for workers (dollars)	27,950	+/-1,669	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for male full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	41,557	+/-3,353	(X)	(X)
Median earnings for female full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	33,110	+/-4,095	(X)	(X)
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE				
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With health insurance coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With private health insurance	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With public coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
No health insurance coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
No health insurance coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)

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In labor force:	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Employed:	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With health insurance coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With private health insurance	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With public coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
No health insurance coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Unemployed:	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With health insurance coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With private health insurance	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With public coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
No health insurance coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Not in labor force:	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With health insurance coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With private health insurance	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
With public coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
No health insurance coverage	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL				
All families	(X)	(X)	8.2%	+/-2.0
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	12.6%	+/-3.7
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	24.5%	+/-14.0
Married couple families	(X)	(X)	5.8%	+/-2.2
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	7.6%	+/-4.4
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	18.7%	+/-14.6
Families with female householder, no husband present	(X)	(X)	22.1%	+/-10.5
With related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	30.1%	+/-15.1
With related children under 5 years only	(X)	(X)	45.8%	+/-36.7
All people	(X)	(X)	12.4%	+/-2.2
Under 18 years	(X)	(X)	15.2%	+/-4.5
Related children under 18 years	(X)	(X)	15.0%	+/-4.5
Related children under 5 years	(X)	(X)	26.5%	+/-10.5
Related children 5 to 17 years	(X)	(X)	10.7%	+/-4.9
18 years and over	(X)	(X)	11.5%	+/-1.9
18 to 64 years	(X)	(X)	11.6%	+/-2.4
65 years and over	(X)	(X)	11.1%	+/-3.5
People in families	(X)	(X)	9.4%	+/-2.2
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	(X)	(X)	30.5%	+/-5.2

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2010 American Community Survey

Explanation of Symbols:

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.
 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.
 An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.
 An '+' following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
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 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.
 An '(X)' means that the estimate is not applicable or not available.

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.

There were changes in the edit between 2009 and 2010 regarding Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security. The changes in the edit loosened restrictions on disability requirements for receipt of SSI resulting in an increase in the total number of SSI recipients in the American Community Survey. The changes also loosened restrictions on possible reported monthly amounts in Social Security income resulting in higher Social Security aggregate amounts. These results more closely match administrative counts compiled by the Social Security Administration.

Workers include members of the Armed Forces and civilians who were at work last week.

Industry codes are 4-digit codes and are based on the North American Industry Classification System 2007. The industry categories adhere to the guidelines issued in Clarification Memorandum No. 2, "NAICS Alternate Aggregation Structure for Use by U.S. Statistical Agencies," issued by the Office of Management and Budget.

Occupation codes are 4-digit codes and are based on the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) 2010. The 2010 Census occupation codes were updated in accordance with the 2010 revision of the SOC. To allow for the creation of 2006-2010 and 2008-2010 tables, occupation data in the multiyear files (2006-2010 and 2008-2010) were recoded to 2010 Census occupation codes. We recommend using caution when comparing data coded using 2010 Census occupation codes with data coded using previous Census occupation codes. For more information on the Census occupation code changes, please visit our website at <http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/ioindex/>.

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.

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