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SELECTED HOUSING 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
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	9,905	+/-61	9,905	(X)
Occupied housing units	8,464	+/-338	85.5%	+/-3.2
Vacant housing units	1,441	+/-320	14.5%	+/-3.2
Homeowner vacancy rate	4.1	+/-2.2	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	10.0	+/-6.3	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	9,905	+/-61	9,905	(X)
1-unit, detached	7,838	+/-285	79.1%	+/-2.9
1-unit, attached	168	+/-102	1.7%	+/-1.0
2 units	528	+/-195	5.3%	+/-2.0
3 or 4 units	235	+/-122	2.4%	+/-1.2
5 to 9 units	311	+/-133	3.1%	+/-1.3
10 to 19 units	169	+/-118	1.7%	+/-1.2
20 or more units	34	+/-40	0.3%	+/-0.4
Mobile home	622	+/-156	6.3%	+/-1.6
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.4
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	9,905	+/-61	9,905	(X)
Built 2005 or later	402	+/-125	4.1%	+/-1.3
Built 2000 to 2004	902	+/-187	9.1%	+/-1.9
Built 1990 to 1999	1,699	+/-303	17.2%	+/-3.0
Built 1980 to 1989	1,043	+/-206	10.5%	+/-2.1
Built 1970 to 1979	1,666	+/-258	16.8%	+/-2.6
Built 1960 to 1969	1,404	+/-254	14.2%	+/-2.6
Built 1950 to 1959	1,012	+/-240	10.2%	+/-2.4
Built 1940 to 1949	421	+/-119	4.3%	+/-1.2
Built 1939 or earlier	1,356	+/-198	13.7%	+/-2.0
ROOMS				
Total housing units	9,905	+/-61	9,905	(X)
1 room	83	+/-78	0.8%	+/-0.8
2 rooms	56	+/-52	0.6%	+/-0.5
3 rooms	536	+/-159	5.4%	+/-1.6
4 rooms	1,701	+/-262	17.2%	+/-2.7
5 rooms	1,849	+/-268	18.7%	+/-2.7
6 rooms	2,278	+/-291	23.0%	+/-2.9
7 rooms	1,557	+/-235	15.7%	+/-2.4
8 rooms	820	+/-191	8.3%	+/-1.9
9 rooms or more	1,025	+/-164	10.3%	+/-1.6
Median rooms	5.8	+/-0.2	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	9,905	+/-61	9,905	(X)
No bedroom	83	+/-78	0.8%	+/-0.8
1 bedroom	539	+/-164	5.4%	+/-1.6
2 bedrooms	3,017	+/-303	30.5%	+/-3.1
3 bedrooms	4,661	+/-302	47.1%	+/-3.0
4 bedrooms	1,066	+/-148	10.8%	+/-1.5
5 or more bedrooms	539	+/-148	5.4%	+/-1.5

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HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	8,464	+/-338	8,464	(X)
Owner-occupied	6,329	+/-307	74.8%	+/-2.9
Renter-occupied	2,135	+/-279	25.2%	+/-2.9
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.52	+/-0.11	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.45	+/-0.22	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	8,464	+/-338	8,464	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	2,638	+/-311	31.2%	+/-3.0
Moved in 2000 to 2004	1,830	+/-246	21.6%	+/-2.9
Moved in 1990 to 1999	2,072	+/-217	24.5%	+/-2.5
Moved in 1980 to 1989	748	+/-152	8.8%	+/-1.8
Moved in 1970 to 1979	682	+/-147	8.1%	+/-1.7
Moved in 1969 or earlier	494	+/-107	5.8%	+/-1.2
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	8,464	+/-338	8,464	(X)
No vehicles available	417	+/-131	4.9%	+/-1.5
1 vehicle available	2,732	+/-251	32.3%	+/-2.6
2 vehicles available	3,179	+/-272	37.6%	+/-3.0
3 or more vehicles available	2,136	+/-241	25.2%	+/-2.6
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	8,464	+/-338	8,464	(X)
Utility gas	2,812	+/-267	33.2%	+/-2.9
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	689	+/-125	8.1%	+/-1.5
Electricity	4,696	+/-346	55.5%	+/-3.1
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	74	+/-44	0.9%	+/-0.5
Coal or coke	8	+/-13	0.1%	+/-0.2
Wood	178	+/-72	2.1%	+/-0.9
Solar energy	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.4
Other fuel	0	+/-123	0.0%	+/-0.4
No fuel used	7	+/-12	0.1%	+/-0.1
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	8,464	+/-338	8,464	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	73	+/-70	0.9%	+/-0.8
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	89	+/-73	1.1%	+/-0.9
No telephone service available	267	+/-103	3.2%	+/-1.2
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	8,464	+/-338	8,464	(X)
1.00 or less	8,302	+/-319	98.1%	+/-1.1
1.01 to 1.50	155	+/-92	1.8%	+/-1.1
1.51 or more	7	+/-11	0.1%	+/-0.1
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	6,329	+/-307	6,329	(X)
Less than \$50,000	513	+/-131	8.1%	+/-2.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,714	+/-229	27.1%	+/-3.2
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,362	+/-214	21.5%	+/-3.0
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,097	+/-199	17.3%	+/-3.1
\$200,000 to \$299,999	1,060	+/-166	16.7%	+/-2.4
\$300,000 to \$499,999	441	+/-109	7.0%	+/-1.7
\$500,000 to \$999,999	90	+/-40	1.4%	+/-0.6
\$1,000,000 or more	52	+/-38	0.8%	+/-0.6
Median (dollars)	129,400	+/-10,850	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	6,329	+/-307	6,329	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	3,886	+/-316	61.4%	+/-3.5
Housing units without a mortgage	2,443	+/-234	38.6%	+/-3.5
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	3,886	+/-316	3,886	(X)
Less than \$300	41	+/-36	1.1%	+/-0.9
\$300 to \$499	155	+/-70	4.0%	+/-1.7
\$500 to \$699	428	+/-108	11.0%	+/-2.6
\$700 to \$999	1,196	+/-244	30.8%	+/-5.1
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,378	+/-207	35.5%	+/-5.1
\$1,500 to \$1,999	413	+/-115	10.6%	+/-2.9
\$2,000 or more	275	+/-79	7.1%	+/-2.0

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Median (dollars)	1,039	+/-59	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	2,443	+/-234	2,443	(X)
Less than \$100	13	+/-20	0.5%	+/-0.8
\$100 to \$199	201	+/-81	8.2%	+/-3.2
\$200 to \$299	743	+/-155	30.4%	+/-5.6
\$300 to \$399	665	+/-116	27.2%	+/-4.6
\$400 or more	821	+/-169	33.6%	+/-5.5
Median (dollars)	339	+/-19	(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)	3,886	+/-316	3,886	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	1,901	+/-247	48.9%	+/-5.0
20.0 to 24.9 percent	642	+/-139	16.5%	+/-3.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	282	+/-86	7.3%	+/-2.2
30.0 to 34.9 percent	396	+/-154	10.2%	+/-3.7
35.0 percent or more	665	+/-153	17.1%	+/-3.6
Not computed	0	+/-123	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	2,420	+/-233	2,420	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	1,210	+/-173	50.0%	+/-5.0
10.0 to 14.9 percent	434	+/-115	17.9%	+/-4.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	210	+/-72	8.7%	+/-2.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	210	+/-69	8.7%	+/-2.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	127	+/-53	5.2%	+/-2.2
30.0 to 34.9 percent	53	+/-33	2.2%	+/-1.3
35.0 percent or more	176	+/-71	7.3%	+/-2.8
Not computed	23	+/-23	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	2,024	+/-287	2,024	(X)
Less than \$200	246	+/-124	12.2%	+/-5.9
\$200 to \$299	100	+/-74	4.9%	+/-3.6
\$300 to \$499	575	+/-194	28.4%	+/-8.2
\$500 to \$749	702	+/-178	34.7%	+/-7.7
\$750 to \$999	350	+/-142	17.3%	+/-6.8
\$1,000 to \$1,499	42	+/-45	2.1%	+/-2.3
\$1,500 or more	9	+/-16	0.4%	+/-0.8
Median (dollars)	542	+/-56	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	111	+/-51	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	2,024	+/-287	2,024	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	314	+/-156	15.5%	+/-6.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	316	+/-138	15.6%	+/-6.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	297	+/-137	14.7%	+/-6.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	263	+/-122	13.0%	+/-5.8
30.0 to 34.9 percent	204	+/-97	10.1%	+/-5.0
35.0 percent or more	630	+/-168	31.1%	+/-7.8
Not computed	111	+/-51	(X)	(X)

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.

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.

An '*****' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.

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.

The median gross rent excludes no cash renters.

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, SMOCAPI 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, SMOCAPI 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 2009 and 2010 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.

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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