

Selected Social Characteristics in the United States: 2005-2009
 Data Set: 2005-2009 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates
 Survey: American Community Survey
DATA SUMMARY FOR BELLINGHAM

Selected Social Characteristics in the United States	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-) on Number	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-) on Percent
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE				
Total households	5,789	210	(X)	(X)
Family households (families)	4,225	177	73.0%	3.5
With own children under 18 years	2,107	155	36.4%	2.9
Married-couple family	3,368	246	58.2%	4.2
With own children under 18 years	1,650	179	28.5%	3.2
Male householder, no wife present, family	181	95	3.1%	1.6
With own children under 18 years	57	48	1.0%	0.8
Female householder, no husband present, family	676	168	11.7%	3.0
With own children under 18 years	400	141	6.9%	2.5
Nonfamily households	1,564	237	27.0%	3.5
Householder living alone	1,147	235	19.8%	3.6
65 years and over	381	121	6.6%	2.0
Households with one or more people under 18 years	2,306	163	39.8%	3.5
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	1,271	134	22.0%	2.2
Average household size	2.71	0.10	(X)	(X)
Average family size	3.14	0.09	(X)	(X)
RELATIONSHIP				
Population in households	15,668	140	(X)	(X)
Householder	5,789	210	36.9%	1.3
Spouse	3,375	248	21.5%	1.6
Child	5,051	285	32.2%	1.8
Other relatives	621	234	4.0%	1.5
Nonrelatives	832	232	5.3%	1.5
Unmarried partner	451	178	2.9%	1.1

MARITAL STATUS				
Males 15 years and over	6,053	296	(X)	(X)
Never married	1,859	294	30.7%	4.3
Now married, except separated	3,433	254	56.7%	4.0
Separated	96	77	1.6%	1.3
Widowed	174	93	2.9%	1.6
Divorced	491	171	8.1%	2.8

Females 15 years and over	6,388	260	(X)	(X)
Never married	1,458	275	22.8%	3.8
Now married, except separated	3,493	246	54.7%	4.6
Separated	41	39	0.6%	0.6
Widowed	422	130	6.6%	2.0
Divorced	974	228	15.2%	3.4

FERTILITY				
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	265	109	(X)	(X)
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	98	83	37.0%	24.6
Per 1,000 unmarried women	53	45	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	66	27	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	0	76	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	192	81	(X)	(X)
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	11	13	(X)	(X)

GRANDPARENTS				
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	279	130	(X)	(X)
Responsible for grandchildren	89	78	31.9%	25.6
Years responsible for grandchildren				
Less than 1 year	0	127	0.0%	12.6
1 or 2 years	39	62	14.0%	20.7
3 or 4 years	0	127	0.0%	12.6
5 or more years	50	50	17.9%	18.8

Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	89	78	(X)	(X)
Who are female	57	47	64.0%	18.6
Who are married	77	75	86.5%	24.2

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT				
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	4,127	361	(X)	(X)
Nursery school, preschool	280	105	6.8%	2.5
Kindergarten	245	90	5.9%	2.2
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	1,927	226	46.7%	5.0
High school (grades 9-12)	740	163	17.9%	3.7
College or graduate school	935	250	22.7%	4.9

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
Population 25 years and over	10,489	329	(X)	(X)
Less than 9th grade	358	137	3.4%	1.3
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	697	175	6.6%	1.6
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	3,491	368	33.3%	3.5
Some college, no degree	1,915	271	18.3%	2.6
Associate's degree	813	185	7.8%	1.8
Bachelor's degree	2,196	315	20.9%	2.8
Graduate or professional degree	1,019	209	9.7%	1.9

Percent high school graduate or higher	89.9%	1.9	(X)	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	30.7%	3.4	(X)	(X)

VETERAN STATUS				
Civilian population 18 years and over	11,873	263	(X)	(X)
Civilian veterans	1,189	193	10.0%	1.6

RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO				
Population 1 year and over	15,516	114	(X)	(X)
Same house	14,181	408	91.4%	2.3
Different house in the U.S.	1,321	352	8.5%	2.3
Same county	642	232	4.1%	1.5
Different county	679	254	4.4%	1.7
Same state	522	216	3.4%	1.4
Different state	157	113	1.0%	0.7
Abroad	14	23	0.1%	0.1

PLACE OF BIRTH				
Total population	15,752	21	(X)	(X)
Native	14,851	259	94.3%	1.7
Born in United States	14,745	256	93.6%	1.6
State of residence	10,372	455	65.8%	2.9
Different state	4,373	446	27.8%	2.8
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	106	66	0.7%	0.4
Foreign born	901	261	5.7%	1.7

U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS				
Foreign-born population	901	261	(X)	(X)
Naturalized U.S. citizen	527	186	58.5%	13.7
Not a U.S. citizen	374	171	41.5%	13.7

YEAR OF ENTRY				
Population born outside the United States	1,007	258	(X)	(X)

Native	106	66	106.0	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	14	23	13.2%	20.1
Entered before 2000	92	61	86.8%	20.1

Foreign born	901	261	(X)	(X)
Entered 2000 or later	85	100	9.4%	10.8
Entered before 2000	816	252	90.6%	10.8

WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN				
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	901	261	(X)	(X)
Europe	339	172	37.6%	14.4
Asia	144	117	16.0%	12.1
Africa	18	30	2.0%	3.3
Oceania	0	127	0.0%	4.1
Latin America	141	92	15.6%	10.5
Northern America	259	132	28.7%	11.8

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME				
Population 5 years and over	14,682	216	(X)	(X)
English only	13,312	344	90.7%	2.0
Language other than English	1,370	302	9.3%	2.0
Speak English less than "very well"	222	97	1.5%	0.7
Spanish	259	170	1.8%	1.2
Speak English less than "very well"	65	57	0.4%	0.4
Other Indo-European languages	906	249	6.2%	1.7
Speak English less than "very well"	106	60	0.7%	0.4
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	177	128	1.2%	0.9
Speak English less than "very well"	37	37	0.3%	0.3
Other languages	28	44	0.2%	0.3
Speak English less than "very well"	14	22	0.1%	0.2

ANCESTRY				
Total population	15,752	21	(X)	(X)
American	444	162	2.8%	1.0
Arab	113	98	0.7%	0.6
Czech	0	127	0.0%	0.2
Danish	25	30	0.2%	0.2
Dutch	136	100	0.9%	0.6
English	2,270	498	14.4%	3.2
French (except Basque)	2,231	430	14.2%	2.7
French Canadian	1,340	335	8.5%	2.1
German	1,142	260	7.2%	1.6
Greek	58	57	0.4%	0.4
Hungarian	65	48	0.4%	0.3
Irish	4,914	661	31.2%	4.2
Italian	3,752	689	23.8%	4.4
Lithuanian	35	40	0.2%	0.3
Norwegian	92	70	0.6%	0.4
Polish	1,110	356	7.0%	2.3
Portuguese	491	228	3.1%	1.4
Russian	308	162	2.0%	1.0
Scotch-Irish	333	136	2.1%	0.9
Scottish	375	119	2.4%	0.8

Slovak	0	127	0.0%	0.2
Subsaharan African	0	127	0.0%	0.2
Swedish	304	107	1.9%	0.7
Swiss	58	94	0.4%	0.6
Ukrainian	140	132	0.9%	0.8
Welsh	38	34	0.2%	0.2
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	176	158	1.1%	1.0

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005-2009 American Community Survey

See Notes for all explanations