

District of Columbia Selected Housing Characteristics: 2009
Data Set: 2009 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

Selected Housing Characteristics	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
HOUSING OCCUPANCY				
Total housing units	285,164	58	285,164	(X)
Occupied housing units	249,280	3,172	87.4%	1.1
Vacant housing units	35,884	3,163	12.6%	1.1
Homeowner vacancy rate	3.6	1	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	6.1	1.1	(X)	(X)
UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Total housing units	285,164	58	285,164	(X)
1-unit, detached	34,604	2,062	12.1%	0.7
1-unit, attached	76,173	3,628	26.7%	1.3
2 units	7,492	1,311	2.6%	0.5
3 or 4 units	21,551	2,376	7.6%	0.8
5 to 9 units	19,705	2,138	6.9%	0.7
10 to 19 units	29,692	2,957	10.4%	1
20 or more units	95,492	3,533	33.5%	1.2
Mobile home	48	81	0.0%	0.1
Boat, RV, van, etc.	407	325	0.1%	0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT				
Total housing units	285,164	58	285,164	(X)
Built 2005 or later	8,854	1,381	3.1%	0.5
Built 2000 to 2004	11,006	1,340	3.9%	0.5
Built 1990 to 1999	7,106	1,416	2.5%	0.5
Built 1980 to 1989	10,874	1,487	3.8%	0.5
Built 1970 to 1979	19,412	2,149	6.8%	0.8
Built 1960 to 1969	33,292	2,507	11.7%	0.9
Built 1950 to 1959	46,299	3,206	16.2%	1.1
Built 1940 to 1949	49,508	3,623	17.4%	1.3
Built 1939 or earlier	98,813	4,013	34.7%	1.4
ROOMS				
Total housing units	285,164	58	285,164	(X)
1 room	20,949	2,555	7.3%	0.9
2 rooms	15,830	1,735	5.6%	0.6
3 rooms	65,383	3,412	22.9%	1.2
4 rooms	52,483	3,163	18.4%	1.1
5 rooms	33,840	2,929	11.9%	1
6 rooms	30,380	2,663	10.7%	0.9
7 rooms	20,024	2,078	7.0%	0.7
8 rooms	17,725	2,041	6.2%	0.7
9 rooms or more	28,550	2,089	10.0%	0.7
Median rooms	4.3	0.1	(X)	(X)
BEDROOMS				
Total housing units	285,164	58	285,164	(X)
No bedroom	25,223	2,773	8.8%	1
1 bedroom	85,241	3,975	29.9%	1.4
2 bedrooms	78,517	3,942	27.5%	1.4
3 bedrooms	62,698	3,095	22.0%	1.1
4 bedrooms	22,275	2,000	7.8%	0.7
5 or more bedrooms	11,210	1,428	3.9%	0.5
HOUSING TENURE				
Occupied housing units	249,280	3,172	249,280	(X)
Owner-occupied	111,618	3,411	44.8%	1.3
Renter-occupied	137,662	3,905	55.2%	1.3
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.37	0.06	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.17	0.06	(X)	(X)
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT				
Occupied housing units	249,280	3,172	249,280	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	118,619	4,239	47.6%	1.5
Moved in 2000 to 2004	43,852	3,100	17.6%	1.2
Moved in 1990 to 1999	38,940	2,818	15.6%	1.1
Moved in 1980 to 1989	20,044	1,955	8.0%	0.8
Moved in 1970 to 1979	14,075	1,716	5.6%	0.7
Moved in 1969 or earlier	13,750	1,459	5.5%	0.6
VEHICLES AVAILABLE				
Occupied housing units	249,280	3,172	249,280	(X)
No vehicles available	87,706	3,974	35.2%	1.5
1 vehicle available	111,506	4,609	44.7%	1.8
2 vehicles available	40,835	2,714	16.4%	1
3 or more vehicles available	9,233	1,241	3.7%	0.5
HOUSE HEATING FUEL				
Occupied housing units	249,280	3,172	249,280	(X)
Utility gas	155,847	4,044	62.5%	1.5
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	3,682	1,057	1.5%	0.4
Electricity	79,896	4,017	32.1%	1.5
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	7,073	1,208	2.8%	0.5

Coal or coke	97	114	0.0%	0.1
Wood	119	199	0.0%	0.1
Solar energy	0	296	0.0%	0.1
Other fuel	761	331	0.3%	0.1
No fuel used	1,805	559	0.7%	0.2
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS				
Occupied housing units	249,280	3,172	249,280	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	1,557	828	0.6%	0.3
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	2,175	868	0.9%	0.3
No telephone service available	8,302	1,577	3.3%	0.6
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM				
Occupied housing units	249,280	3,172	249,280	(X)
1.00 or less	241,917	3,342	97.0%	0.6
1.01 to 1.50	4,871	1,158	2.0%	0.5
1.51 or more	2,492	782	1.0%	0.3
VALUE				
Owner-occupied units	111,618	3,411	111,618	(X)
Less than \$50,000	901	371	0.8%	0.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,565	535	1.4%	0.5
\$100,000 to \$149,999	2,312	654	2.1%	0.6
\$150,000 to \$199,999	3,318	788	3.0%	0.7
\$200,000 to \$299,999	18,432	1,862	16.5%	1.6
\$300,000 to \$499,999	37,973	2,423	34.0%	1.9
\$500,000 to \$999,999	36,561	2,422	32.8%	2
\$1,000,000 or more	10,556	1,259	9.5%	1.1
Median (dollars)	443,700	12,985	(X)	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	111,618	3,411	111,618	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	87,382	3,517	78.3%	1.9
Housing units without a mortgage	24,236	2,203	21.7%	1.9
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)				
Housing units with a mortgage	87,382	3,517	87,382	(X)
Less than \$300	106	124	0.1%	0.1
\$300 to \$499	559	278	0.6%	0.3
\$500 to \$699	1,482	407	1.7%	0.5
\$700 to \$999	4,337	931	5.0%	1
\$1,000 to \$1,499	14,912	1,561	17.1%	1.6
\$1,500 to \$1,999	16,531	1,934	18.9%	2.2
\$2,000 or more	49,455	2,863	56.6%	2.2
Median (dollars)	2,231	76	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	24,236	2,203	24,236	(X)
Less than \$100	268	233	1.1%	1
\$100 to \$199	850	453	3.5%	1.8
\$200 to \$299	2,827	670	11.7%	2.5
\$300 to \$399	2,846	673	11.7%	2.7
\$400 or more	17,445	1,775	72.0%	3.8
Median (dollars)	549	22	(X)	(X)
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAP)				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP cannot be computed)	86,901	3,500	86,901	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	30,776	2,134	35.4%	2.2
20.0 to 24.9 percent	13,346	1,500	15.4%	1.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	8,769	1,341	10.1%	1.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	9,007	1,275	10.4%	1.4
35.0 percent or more	25,003	2,492	28.8%	2.3
Not computed	481	361	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAP cannot be computed)	23,797	2,092	23,797	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	12,034	1,457	50.6%	4.1
10.0 to 14.9 percent	3,256	686	13.7%	2.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	1,704	574	7.2%	2.3
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,774	563	7.5%	2.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,389	606	5.8%	2.5
30.0 to 34.9 percent	410	299	1.7%	1.2
35.0 percent or more	3,230	829	13.6%	3.1
Not computed	439	338	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	134,249	3,922	134,249	(X)
Less than \$200	6,237	1,104	4.6%	0.8
\$200 to \$299	5,439	1,283	4.1%	1
\$300 to \$499	7,052	1,251	5.3%	0.9
\$500 to \$749	15,682	1,650	11.7%	1.2
\$750 to \$999	27,605	2,371	20.6%	1.6
\$1,000 to \$1,499	37,950	2,881	28.3%	1.9
\$1,500 or more	34,284	2,470	25.5%	1.8
Median (dollars)	1,059	30	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	3,413	837	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	130,788	3,811	130,788	(X)

Less than 15.0 percent	17,944	2,138	13.7%	1.6
15.0 to 19.9 percent	15,365	2,086	11.7%	1.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	14,814	1,795	11.3%	1.4
25.0 to 29.9 percent	18,412	2,153	14.1%	1.7
30.0 to 34.9 percent	9,892	1,652	7.6%	1.2
35.0 percent or more	54,361	3,536	41.6%	2.2
Not computed	6,874	1,346	(X)	(X)

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

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.

Notes:

-Caution should be used when comparing data for Number of Rooms between 2008 and 2009. A data collection error was identified for 2008 impacting the "1 room" category. For more information please see Errata Note #54.

-Caution should be used when comparing data for Number of Bedrooms between 2008 and 2009. A data collection error was identified for 2008 impacting the "0 bedrooms" category. For more information please see Errata Note #54.

-The 2009 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.

-Caution should be used when comparing data for Telephone Service Availability between 2008 and 2009. A data collection error was identified for 2008 impacting the "no" category and underreporting those who did not have telephone service available. For more information please see Errata Note #53.

-Caution should be used when comparing data for Occupants per Room between 2008 and 2009. A data collection error was identified for 2008 impacting the "1 room" category. For more information please see Errata Note #54.

-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 median gross rent excludes no cash renters.

-While the 2009 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2008 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.

Explanation of Symbols:

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. An '-' following a median estimate means the median falls in the lowest interval of an open-ended distribution.

4. An '+' following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.

5. 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.

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

7. 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.

8. An '(X)' means that the estimate is not applicable or not available.