

## 2006 American Community Survey: Overview of Data Release

The American Community Survey (ACS) is a nationwide survey that provides annually updated, detailed socioeconomic, housing, and demographic information for communities across the United States and Puerto Rico. This year's data release marks the first time that group quarters (such as prisons, college dorms, military barracks and nursing homes) are included in the data products.

The ACS will release estimates for areas with a population of 65,000 or more. Data from the Puerto Rico Community Survey will be released concurrently.

By its sample design, the ACS accumulates independent monthly sample data throughout the calendar year. This allows for the release of estimates for smaller geographic areas once enough sample data has been accumulated.

This chart explains the ACS release strategy, as it will unfold over the coming years.

Data Product	Population Threshold	Year of Data Release							
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
		Year(s) of Data Collection							
<b>1 - year Estimates</b>	65,000+	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>3 - year Estimates</b>	20,000+			2005- 2007	2006- 2008	2007- 2009	2008- 2010	2009- 2011	2010- 2012
<b>5 - year Estimates</b>	All Areas					2005- 2009	2006- 2010	2007- 2011	2008- 2012

August 28, 2007: Income, Earnings and Poverty Data  
September 12, 2007: Social, Economic, Housing, and Demographic Characteristics; Public Use Microdata File; Data Profiles, Geographic Comparison Tables, Ranking Tables, Narrative Profiles  
September 27, 2007: Selected Population Profiles; Workplace Tables (tables for where a person works, not where he or she lives); Group Quarters Data Profiles

Detailed information about the content of each release may be found on the following page.

## Content of 2006 ACS: Data Release

### August 28, 2007: Income, Earnings and Poverty Data

- Poverty Status
  - Income and Earnings
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### September 12, 2007: Social, Housing, Economic and Demographic Data

#### Social Characteristics

- Relationship
- School enrollment
- Educational attainment
- Marital status
- Fertility
- Grandparents
- Veteran status
- Disability status
- Households by type
- Residence one year ago
- Place of birth
- U.S. citizenship status
- Year of entry
- World region of birth
- Language spoken at home
- Ancestry

#### Economic Characteristics

- Employment status
- Commuting to work
- Occupation
- Class of worker
- Industry

#### Housing Characteristics

- Housing occupancy
- Units in structure
- Year structure built
- Rooms
- Bedrooms
- Housing tenure
- Year moved into unit
- Vehicles available
- House heating fuel
- Occupants per room
- Value of owner-occupied units
- Mortgage status and selected owner costs (including owner costs as a % of household income)
- Gross rent (including gross rent as a % of household income)

#### Demographic Characteristics

- Age
  - Sex
  - Race
  - Hispanic or Latino
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### September 27, 2007: Selected Population Profiles and Group Quarters Data Profiles

- Profiles with characteristics above for selected race, origin, and ancestry groups
- Profiles with selected characteristics for the group quarters population