Measuring America: An Overview to Grandparent and Grandchildren and Related Statistics

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## Highlights

<table>
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<th>Year/Number/Percent</th>
<th>Data</th>
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<td>2012</td>
<td>Grandparents who lived with a grandchild were younger; less educated; more likely to be in poverty than those who did not live with a grandchild</td>
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<td>2 percent</td>
<td>Who lived with a grandchild were age 30 to 39</td>
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<td>34 percent</td>
<td>Lived with a grandchild were age 50 to 59</td>
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<td>4 percent</td>
<td>Lived with a grandchild 80 and over</td>
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<td>64.2 percent</td>
<td>Grandmothers lived with their grandchildren</td>
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<td>49 percent</td>
<td>Children living with both grandparents</td>
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<td>One-third of children</td>
<td>Living with a grandparent also had two parents present</td>
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Search and Navigation
Families & Living Arrangements

Our statistics highlight trends in household and family composition, describe characteristics of the residents of housing units, and show how they are related.

- Child Care
- Children
- Families and Households
- Fertility
- Grandparents and Grandchildren
- Marriage and Divorce
- Same-sex Couples
Grandparents and Grandchildren

Demographic characteristics of grandparents and grandchildren are collected annually in the March Current Population Survey (CPS) for the Nation. More detail on other household and family characteristics for states, metropolitan areas, and other geographic areas is collected in the decennial census.

Current Population Survey (CPS) Reports
Definitions and Explanations

1. 2012 CPS
   Coresident Grandparents and Grandchildren (P20-576)
   - Report [PDF 2.6 MB]

2. 1997 March CPS
   Coresident Grandparents and Grandchildren (P23-198)
   - Report [PDF 66k]
   - Press Release/Product Announcement (2k)

Decennial Census

2000 Census
- Census 2000 Briefs and Special Reports

1990 Census
- GP-1: Children Under 18 Living in Their Grandparents’ Household, by State. 1990 Census (4k)
- GP-2: Ranking of States by Percent of Children Under 18 Living in Their Grandparents’ Household: 1990 Census (3k)

American Community Survey (ACS)
- Estimates About Fertility and Grandparents from the ACS, the CPS, C2SS, and Census 2000
  - Report [68k .doc]
  - Tables [44k .xls]

Working Papers

http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/grandparents.html
Data Visuals
65 Million Grandparents in the United States
1 in 10 grandparents live with their grandchildren

Grandparents with coresident grandchildren

Grandparent is householder
4.9 Million

Grandparent is not householder
1.8 Million

Grandparents with no coresident grandchildren
58.4 Million

http://www.census.gov/content/dam/Census/newsroom/releases/2014/cb14-194_graphic.jpg
Households with Coresident Grandparents & Grandchildren

Figure 1. Households With Coresident Grandparents and Grandchildren (in percent)

Parent-maintained household
- Both grandparents: 20
- Grandmother, two parents: 40
- Grandmother, one parent: 24
- Grandfather: 16

Grandparent-maintained household
- Both grandparents, some parents: 32
- Both grandparents, no parents: 17
- Grandmother, some parents: 29
- Grandmother, no parents: 15
- Grandfather: 6


Percentage of Children Under 18 Living with a Grandparent by Presence of Parent(s)

Figure 2.
Percentage of Children Under 18 Living in Their Grandparents' Home by Presence of Parent(s)

Percentage of Children Under 18 Living with Grandparents by Presence of Parent(s)

Figure 3.
Percentage of Children Under 18 Living With Grandparents by Presence of Parent(s)

Percentage of Children Under 18 Living With Grandparents by Race & Ethnicity

Figure 4. Percentage of Children Under 18 Living With Grandparents by Race and Hispanic Origin: * 1992–2012

* Race and Hispanic origin were collected differently before 2003. In 2003 and later respondents could mark all race groups they chose, while in earlier years they had to choose one group. In 2003 and later, Black, White, and Asian include only those who marked a single category. Prior to 2003, Asian includes Pacific Islanders.

Living with a Grandparent: 2010

Figure 5. Percentage of Children Under 18 Living in Their Grandparents’ Home: 2010

Note: No data exists for Kalawao County, HI for this population. The term “county” refers to a county or statistically equivalent entity. Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census Summary File 1.
Poverty and Receiving Public Assistance

Figure 8:
Percentage of Children Who are in Poverty and Receiving Public Assistance by Living Arrangement: 2012

Family Income Below Poverty

Grandparent-Maintained Households
- Both grandparents, some parents
- Both grandparents, no parents
- Grandmother only, some parents
- Grandmother only, no parents
- Grandfather only

Parent-Maintained Households
- Both grandparents
- Grandmother only, two parents
- Grandmother only, one parent
- Grandfather only

Percentage of Children Without Health Insurance

Figure 9. Percentage of Children Without Health Insurance and With Public Health Insurance by Living Arrangements: 2012

Without Health Insurance

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With Public Health Insurance

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Time Coresident Grandparents Were Responsible for Grandchildren

**Figure 10.**
Length of Time Coresident Grandparents Were Responsible for Grandchildren by Age of Grandparents: 2012
(In Percent)

- **30–59 years old**
  - Not responsible for grandchild: 53%
  - Less than 1 year: 12%
  - 1 to 2 years: 12%
  - 3 to 4 years: 8%
  - 5 or more years: 15%

- **60+ years old**
  - Not responsible for grandchild: 71%
  - Less than 1 year: 4%
  - 1 to 2 years: 5%
  - 3 to 4 years: 5%
  - 5 or more years: 15%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 American Community Survey. For more information, see <www.census.gov/acs>.
Grandparents Living With and Responsible for Grandchildren
Median Income – Grandparent Householder for Grandchildren Under 18 No Parent Present
Percent of Grandparents with a Disability Living With Grandchildren Under 18
Foreign Born Grandparents Responsible for Grandchildren
Percent of Mexican Grandparents Responsible for Grandchildren
Data Tools
American FactFinder

American FactFinder provides access to data about the United States, Puerto Rico and the Island Areas. The data in American FactFinder come from several censuses and surveys. For more information see Using FactFinder and What We Provide.

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Learn about American FactFinder's functions and features.

http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml
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- Origins
- Population Change
- Poverty
- Relationship
  - Caregiver (998)
  - Family (3,788)
  - Family Type (2,567)
  - Fertility (823)
  - Grandparent (1,963)
  - Household Relationship (1,274)
  - Household Size (1,468)
  - Household Type (3,462)
  - Marital Status (2,974)
  - Own Children (2,759)
  - Unmarried Partner (144)

Note: The Race & Ethnicity topic is available under the Race and Ethnic Groups button on the left.

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School Enrollment CPS Supplement

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Current Population Survey Basic

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Resources

- Decennial Census
- American Community Survey (ACS)
- Current Population Survey (CPS)
- Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP)
Reports

Coresident Grandparents and Their Grandchildren: 2012
Population Characteristics

Current Population Reports
Special Studies

Census 2000 Brief

Grandparents Living With Grandchildren: 2000
Summary

- Outline of what is covered in the presentation
- Highlighted certain data on grandparents
- How to navigate to the topic
- Located the topic and reviewed landing page
- Looked at data visuals on characteristics
- What tools to access for the data
- Resources & reports
- Summary
- Contact Information
How Might This Data Be Used?

- Apply for Grants
- Set policy
- Trends over time
- Evaluate current policies
- Assess economic well-being
- Support of Department of Education title I program
- Determine federal assistance
Contact Information

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