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2012 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

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An * indicates that the estimate is significantly different (at a 90% confidence level) than the estimate from the most current year. A "c" indicates the estimates for that year and the current year are both controlled; a statistical test is not appropriate.

Subject	United States -- In metropolitan statistical area				
	2012 Estimate	2011 Estimate	2012 - 2011 Statistical Significance	2010 Estimate	2012 - 2010 Statistical Significance
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE					
Total households	96,561,076	95,672,316	*	95,215,010	*
Family households (families)	65.8%	65.9%	*	66.2%	*
With own children under 18 years	29.6%	29.9%	*	30.3%	*
Married-couple family	47.5%	47.7%	*	48.1%	*
With own children under 18 years	19.8%	20.0%	*	20.5%	*
Male householder, no wife present, family	4.9%	4.8%		4.7%	*
With own children under 18 years	2.3%	2.3%		2.3%	*
Female householder, no husband present, family	13.4%	13.4%		13.4%	
With own children under 18 years	7.5%	7.6%	*	7.6%	*
Nonfamily households	34.2%	34.1%	*	33.8%	*
Householder living alone	27.8%	27.7%		27.4%	*
65 years and over	9.5%	9.3%	*	9.1%	*
Households with one or more people under 18 years	32.9%	33.3%	*	33.6%	*
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	25.1%	24.3%	*	24.0%	*
Average household size	2.67	2.67		2.65	*
Average family size	3.29	3.28		3.26	*
RELATIONSHIP					
Population in households	257,347,462	254,983,192	*	252,717,173	*
Householder	37.5%	37.5%		37.7%	*
Spouse	17.8%	17.9%		18.1%	*
Child	31.1%	31.1%		30.9%	*
Other relatives	7.5%	7.5%		7.4%	*
Nonrelatives	6.0%	5.9%	*	5.9%	*
Unmarried partner	2.3%	2.2%	*	2.3%	
MARITAL STATUS					
Males 15 years and over	102,810,536	101,636,898	*	100,500,987	*

Subject	United States -- In metropolitan statistical area				
	2012 Estimate	2011 Estimate	2012 - 2011 Statistical Significance	2010 Estimate	2012 - 2010 Statistical Significance
Never married	36.9%	36.7%	*	36.4%	*
Now married, except separated	49.3%	49.6%	*	50.1%	*
Separated	1.9%	1.9%		1.9%	
Widowed	2.4%	2.4%		2.4%	
Divorced	9.5%	9.3%	*	9.3%	*
Females 15 years and over	108,939,746	107,753,578	*	106,698,624	*
Never married	30.8%	30.5%	*	30.1%	*
Now married, except separated	45.6%	45.8%	*	46.4%	*
Separated	2.6%	2.6%	*	2.6%	
Widowed	8.8%	8.9%	*	8.9%	*
Divorced	12.3%	12.2%	*	12.0%	*
FERTILITY					
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	3,509,045	3,489,345		3,538,205	
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	35.3%	35.0%		35.5%	
Per 1,000 unmarried women	34	34		36	*
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	54	54		54	
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	21	23	*	25	*
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	92	93		96	*
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	27	27		26	*
GRANDPARENTS					
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	5,985,378	5,999,643		5,913,764	
Responsible for grandchildren	36.4%	36.5%		36.6%	
Years responsible for grandchildren					
Less than 1 year	7.7%	7.7%		8.2%	*
1 or 2 years	8.4%	8.7%		9.3%	*
3 or 4 years	6.1%	6.1%		6.1%	
5 or more years	14.1%	14.0%		13.0%	*
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	2,179,772	2,189,670		2,165,733	
Who are female	63.5%	63.2%		63.5%	
Who are married	69.4%	69.9%		69.2%	
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT					
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	71,024,307	70,936,661		70,479,819	*
Nursery school, preschool	6.1%	6.0%		6.0%	*
Kindergarten	5.0%	5.0%		5.0%	
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	39.1%	39.0%		39.3%	*
High school (grades 9-12)	20.2%	20.4%	*	20.6%	*
College or graduate school	29.6%	29.5%		29.1%	*
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT					
Population 25 years and over	174,472,666	172,256,073	*	170,204,529	*
Less than 9th grade	5.8%	5.9%	*	6.0%	*
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	7.5%	7.7%	*	8.0%	*
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	26.4%	26.8%	*	26.9%	*
Some college, no degree	21.2%	21.2%		21.2%	
Associate's degree	7.9%	7.7%	*	7.6%	*
Bachelor's degree	19.4%	19.1%	*	19.0%	*
Graduate or professional degree	11.8%	11.5%	*	11.3%	*
Percent high school graduate or higher	86.7%	86.3%	*	86.0%	*
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	31.2%	30.6%	*	30.3%	*

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VETERAN STATUS					
Civilian population 18 years and over	200,258,547	197,798,506	*	195,459,695	*
Civilian veterans	8.5%	8.7%	*	9.0%	*
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION					
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	259,828,738	257,407,994	*	255,124,584	*
With a disability	11.4%	11.4%	*	11.2%	*
Under 18 years					
Under 18 years	62,212,413	62,271,457	*	62,401,218	*
With a disability	3.9%	3.8%	*	3.8%	*
18 to 64 years					
18 to 64 years	164,015,489	163,017,261	*	161,392,364	*
With a disability	9.4%	9.5%		9.2%	*
65 years and over					
65 years and over	33,600,836	32,119,276	*	31,331,002	*
With a disability	35.1%	35.9%	*	35.9%	*
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO					
Population 1 year and over	260,324,396	257,936,037	*	255,757,870	*
Same house	84.8%	84.5%	*	84.3%	*
Different house in the U.S.	14.6%	14.8%	*	15.1%	*
Same county	9.3%	9.5%	*	9.8%	*
Different county	5.3%	5.3%		5.3%	
Same state	3.0%	3.0%		3.1%	*
Different state	2.3%	2.3%		2.2%	*
Abroad	0.6%	0.6%		0.6%	
PLACE OF BIRTH					
Total population	263,475,910	261,080,465	*	258,900,534	*
Native	85.2%	85.3%		85.3%	*
Born in United States	83.7%	83.7%		83.8%	*
State of residence	56.8%	56.9%	*	56.8%	
Different state	26.9%	26.8%		27.0%	*
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	1.5%	1.5%		1.5%	*
Foreign born	14.8%	14.7%		14.7%	*
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS					
Foreign-born population	38,903,795	38,437,713	*	38,053,315	*
Naturalized U.S. citizen	46.3%	45.4%	*	44.2%	*
Not a U.S. citizen	53.7%	54.6%	*	55.8%	*
YEAR OF ENTRY					
Population born outside the United States	42,953,225	42,436,392	*	41,954,518	*
Native					
Native	4,049,430	3,998,679		3,901,203	*
Entered 2010 or later	6.8%	3.9%	*	1.8%	*
Entered before 2010	93.2%	96.1%	*	98.2%	*
Foreign born					
Foreign born	38,903,795	38,437,713	*	38,053,315	*
Entered 2010 or later	7.0%	4.5%	*	1.7%	*
Entered before 2010	93.0%	95.5%	*	98.3%	*
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN					
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	38,903,705	38,437,610	*	38,053,146	*
Europe	11.7%	12.0%	*	12.0%	*
Asia	29.8%	29.2%	*	28.8%	*
Africa	4.3%	4.2%		4.1%	*

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Oceania	0.6%	0.5%	*	0.5%	*
Latin America	51.7%	52.2%	*	52.6%	*
Northern America	1.9%	1.8%		1.9%	
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME					
Population 5 years and over	246,564,278	244,075,488	*	241,875,683	*
English only	76.5%	76.8%	*	77.0%	*
Language other than English	23.5%	23.2%	*	23.0%	*
Speak English less than "very well"	9.6%	9.8%	*	9.8%	*
Spanish	14.4%	14.3%	*	14.2%	*
Speak English less than "very well"	6.1%	6.3%	*	6.4%	*
Other Indo-European languages	4.2%	4.1%		4.1%	*
Speak English less than "very well"	1.3%	1.3%		1.3%	
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	3.8%	3.8%	*	3.7%	*
Speak English less than "very well"	1.8%	1.8%		1.8%	
Other languages	1.0%	1.0%	*	0.9%	*
Speak English less than "very well"	0.3%	0.3%		0.3%	*
ANCESTRY					
Total population	263,475,910	261,080,465	*	258,900,534	*
American	6.7%	6.9%	*	5.6%	*
Arab	0.7%	0.6%		0.6%	*
Czech	0.5%	0.5%		0.5%	
Danish	0.4%	0.4%	*	0.4%	*
Dutch	1.3%	1.3%	*	1.4%	*
English	7.7%	7.9%	*	8.0%	*
French (except Basque)	2.6%	2.7%	*	2.7%	*
French Canadian	0.6%	0.6%		0.6%	*
German	14.1%	14.4%	*	14.7%	*
Greek	0.5%	0.5%		0.5%	*
Hungarian	0.5%	0.5%		0.5%	*
Irish	10.8%	11.0%	*	11.1%	*
Italian	6.0%	6.1%	*	6.1%	*
Lithuanian	0.2%	0.2%		0.2%	
Norwegian	1.3%	1.3%		1.3%	*
Polish	3.2%	3.2%		3.3%	*
Portuguese	0.5%	0.5%		0.5%	*
Russian	1.0%	1.1%	*	1.1%	*
Scotch-Irish	0.9%	1.0%		1.0%	*
Scottish	1.7%	1.7%	*	1.7%	*
Slovak	0.3%	0.3%		0.3%	*
Subsaharan African	1.1%	1.1%		1.0%	*
Swedish	1.2%	1.2%		1.3%	*
Swiss	0.3%	0.3%		0.3%	
Ukrainian	0.3%	0.3%		0.3%	
Welsh	0.6%	0.6%		0.6%	
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	1.0%	1.0%		1.0%	*

Subject	United States -- In metropolitan statistical area				St. Louis, MO-IL Metro Area
	2009 Estimate	2012 - 2009 Statistical Significance	2008 Estimate	2012 - 2008 Statistical Significance	2012 Estimate
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE					
Total households	94,276,038	*	93,776,158	*	1,108,723
Family households (families)	66.2%	*	66.3%	*	64.8%
With own children under 18 years	30.7%	*	31.2%	*	27.6%
Married-couple family	48.6%	*	48.9%	*	47.1%
With own children under 18 years	21.0%	*	21.5%	*	18.1%
Male householder, no wife present, family	4.7%	*	4.6%	*	4.3%
With own children under 18 years	2.2%	*	2.2%	*	2.1%
Female householder, no husband present, family	13.0%	*	12.8%	*	13.5%
With own children under 18 years	7.5%	*	7.5%	*	7.4%
Nonfamily households	33.8%	*	33.7%	*	35.2%
Householder living alone	27.5%	*	27.6%	*	29.5%
65 years and over	9.0%	*	8.9%	*	10.2%
Households with one or more people under 18 years	34.0%	*	34.4%	*	30.7%
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	23.4%	*	23.0%	*	25.3%
Average household size	2.66		2.64	*	2.49
Average family size	3.28	*	3.26	*	3.10
RELATIONSHIP					
Population in households	250,985,573	*	247,833,456	*	2,764,145
Householder	37.6%		37.8%	*	40.1%
Spouse	18.2%	*	18.5%	*	18.8%
Child	31.2%	*	31.1%		30.6%
Other relatives	7.2%	*	7.0%	*	5.3%
Nonrelatives	5.8%	*	5.6%	*	5.2%
Unmarried partner	2.2%	*	2.1%	*	2.4%
MARITAL STATUS					
Males 15 years and over	99,886,048	*	98,601,930	*	1,087,368
Never married	36.1%	*	35.4%	*	34.7%
Now married, except separated	50.6%	*	51.4%	*	50.7%
Separated	1.8%		1.8%	*	1.8%
Widowed	2.4%	*	2.4%		2.6%
Divorced	9.0%	*	9.1%	*	10.2%
Females 15 years and over	105,051,992	*	103,791,238	*	1,191,110
Never married	29.7%	*	29.1%	*	29.5%
Now married, except separated	46.7%	*	47.2%	*	45.9%
Separated	2.6%		2.5%		2.1%
Widowed	9.2%	*	9.3%	*	9.7%
Divorced	11.9%	*	11.9%	*	12.8%
FERTILITY					
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	3,668,421	*	3,710,618	*	35,337
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	34.6%	*	33.7%	*	41.5%
Per 1,000 unmarried women	37	*	37	*	38
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	57	*	58	*	52
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	28	*	27	*	28
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	100	*	105	*	91
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	27		27		22
GRANDPARENTS					
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	5,674,336	*	5,443,601	*	53,765

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Responsible for grandchildren	38.0%	*	38.5%	*	39.8%
Years responsible for grandchildren					
Less than 1 year	8.7%	*	8.9%	*	11.7%
1 or 2 years	9.3%	*	9.0%	*	8.2%
3 or 4 years	6.4%	*	6.3%		6.0%
5 or more years	13.7%	*	14.4%		13.9%
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	2,155,584		2,097,480	*	21,417
Who are female	63.2%		62.8%	*	66.2%
Who are married	69.7%		70.0%		66.6%
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT					
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	69,184,717	*	68,018,912	*	745,407
Nursery school, preschool	6.4%	*	6.4%	*	7.0%
Kindergarten	5.1%	*	5.0%		4.9%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	39.7%	*	40.0%	*	39.4%
High school (grades 9-12)	20.7%	*	21.2%	*	20.5%
College or graduate school	28.1%	*	27.3%	*	28.2%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT					
Population 25 years and over	168,671,311	*	166,440,651	*	1,907,084
Less than 9th grade	6.2%	*	6.3%	*	3.4%
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	8.1%	*	8.3%	*	6.9%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	27.0%	*	26.9%	*	27.5%
Some college, no degree	21.3%	*	21.2%	*	23.3%
Associate's degree	7.5%	*	7.5%	*	8.2%
Bachelor's degree	18.8%	*	18.7%	*	19.0%
Graduate or professional degree	11.2%	*	11.1%	*	11.7%
Percent high school graduate or higher	85.7%	*	85.4%	*	89.8%
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	30.0%	*	29.8%	*	30.8%
VETERAN STATUS					
Civilian population 18 years and over	193,214,730	*	190,564,635	*	2,159,627
Civilian veterans	9.1%	*	9.5%	*	10.2%
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION					
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	253,178,621	*	250,039,571	*	2,784,713
With a disability	11.2%	*	11.3%	*	12.5%
Under 18 years	62,877,777	*	62,394,914	*	654,199
With a disability	3.7%	*	3.8%	*	4.6%
18 to 64 years	159,849,031	*	157,851,757	*	1,749,478
With a disability	9.4%	*	9.4%		10.4%
65 years and over	30,451,813	*	29,792,900	*	381,036
With a disability	36.6%	*	37.2%	*	35.4%
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO					
Population 1 year and over	253,869,434	*	250,639,609	*	2,788,119
Same house	84.3%	*	84.3%	*	86.0%
Different house in the U.S.	15.1%	*	15.0%	*	13.6%
Same county	9.7%	*	9.5%	*	8.4%
Different county	5.4%		5.6%	*	5.3%
Same state	3.1%	*	3.2%	*	3.3%
Different state	2.3%		2.4%	*	2.0%

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Abroad	0.6%	*	0.7%	*	0.4%
PLACE OF BIRTH					
Total population	257,338,275	*	254,161,870	*	2,819,381
Native	85.7%	*	85.7%	*	95.6%
Born in United States	84.3%	*	84.3%	*	95.0%
State of residence	57.0%	*	56.8%	*	69.5%
Different state	27.2%	*	27.4%	*	25.5%
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	1.5%	*	1.5%	*	0.6%
Foreign born	14.3%	*	14.3%	*	4.4%
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS					
Foreign-born population	36,689,513	*	36,232,676	*	123,631
Naturalized U.S. citizen	44.2%	*	43.4%	*	45.8%
Not a U.S. citizen	55.8%	*	56.6%	*	54.2%
YEAR OF ENTRY					
Population born outside the United States	40,484,255	*	39,949,913	*	140,499
Native	3,794,742	*	3,717,237	*	16,868
Entered 2010 or later	0.0%	*	0.0%	*	3.3%
Entered before 2010	100.0%	*	100.0%	*	96.7%
Foreign born	36,689,513	*	36,232,676	*	123,631
Entered 2010 or later	0.0%	*	0.0%	*	13.6%
Entered before 2010	100.0%	*	100.0%	*	86.4%
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN					
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	36,689,395	*	36,232,529	*	123,631
Europe	12.7%	*	13.0%	*	25.1%
Asia	28.2%	*	27.8%	*	42.8%
Africa	4.0%	*	3.9%	*	8.5%
Oceania	0.5%	*	0.5%	*	1.2%
Latin America	52.6%	*	52.7%	*	19.7%
Northern America	2.0%	*	2.1%	*	2.7%
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME					
Population 5 years and over	239,283,159	*	236,387,981	*	2,645,972
English only	77.7%	*	77.9%	*	93.5%
Language other than English	22.3%	*	22.1%	*	6.5%
Speak English less than "very well"	9.7%	*	9.8%	*	2.2%
Spanish	13.8%	*	13.6%	*	2.2%
Speak English less than "very well"	6.3%	*	6.4%	*	0.8%
Other Indo-European languages	4.1%	*	4.1%	*	2.2%
Speak English less than "very well"	1.4%	*	1.4%	*	0.6%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	3.5%	*	3.5%	*	1.6%
Speak English less than "very well"	1.7%	*	1.7%	*	0.7%
Other languages	0.9%	*	0.9%	*	0.6%
Speak English less than "very well"	0.3%	*	0.3%	*	0.1%
ANCESTRY					
Total population	257,338,275	*	254,161,870	*	2,819,381
American	5.3%	*	5.1%	*	8.0%
Arab	0.6%	*	0.6%	*	0.4%
Czech	0.5%	*	0.5%	*	0.8%
Danish	0.5%	*	0.5%	*	0.2%
Dutch	1.5%	*	1.5%	*	1.3%

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English	8.6%	*	8.7%	*	7.8%
French (except Basque)	3.0%	*	3.0%	*	3.9%
French Canadian	0.7%	*	0.7%	*	0.2%
German	15.7%	*	15.7%	*	29.6%
Greek	0.5%	*	0.5%	*	0.3%
Hungarian	0.5%	*	0.5%	*	0.3%
Irish	11.9%	*	11.8%	*	14.1%
Italian	6.4%	*	6.3%	*	4.8%
Lithuanian	0.3%	*	0.3%	*	0.2%
Norwegian	1.4%	*	1.4%	*	0.5%
Polish	3.5%	*	3.4%	*	2.6%
Portuguese	0.5%	*	0.5%	*	0.1%
Russian	1.1%	*	1.1%	*	0.5%
Scotch-Irish	1.1%	*	1.1%	*	0.9%
Scottish	1.9%	*	1.9%	*	1.6%
Slovak	0.3%	*	0.3%	*	0.1%
Subsaharan African	1.0%	*	1.1%	*	0.7%
Swedish	1.4%	*	1.4%	*	0.6%
Swiss	0.3%	*	0.3%	*	0.4%
Ukrainian	0.4%	*	0.4%	*	0.1%
Welsh	0.6%	*	0.6%	*	0.4%
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	1.0%	*	1.0%	*	0.1%

Subject	St. Louis, MO-IL Metro Area				
	2011 Estimate	2012 - 2011 Statistical Significance	2010 Estimate	2012 - 2010 Statistical Significance	2009 Estimate
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE					
Total households	1,105,266		1,112,442		1,111,547
Family households (families)	65.6%		64.7%		66.3%
With own children under 18 years	29.4%	*	28.2%		30.1%
Married-couple family	47.6%		47.3%		48.0%
With own children under 18 years	19.2%	*	18.6%		19.6%
Male householder, no wife present, family	4.2%		4.2%		4.1%
With own children under 18 years	2.3%		2.0%		2.1%
Female householder, no husband present, family	13.7%		13.2%		14.2%
With own children under 18 years	7.9%		7.6%		8.4%
Nonfamily households	34.4%		35.3%		33.7%
Householder living alone	28.9%		29.8%		28.3%
65 years and over	10.1%		10.0%		9.5%
Households with one or more people under 18 years	32.1%	*	31.4%		33.3%
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	24.4%	*	23.7%	*	23.0%
Average household size	2.50		2.48		2.48
Average family size	3.10		3.11		3.06
RELATIONSHIP					
Population in households	2,758,024		2,757,167		2,756,884
Householder	40.1%		40.3%		40.3%
Spouse	19.1%		19.1%		19.3%
Child	31.1%		30.7%		30.8%
Other relatives	5.1%		5.4%		5.0%
Nonrelatives	4.7%	*	4.5%	*	4.6%
Unmarried partner	2.3%		2.3%		2.4%
MARITAL STATUS					
Males 15 years and over	1,083,121	*	1,082,204	*	1,085,376
Never married	34.4%		33.8%	*	34.2%
Now married, except separated	51.3%		51.7%		51.7%
Separated	1.3%	*	1.7%		2.0%
Widowed	2.8%		2.5%		2.3%
Divorced	10.3%		10.2%		9.9%
Females 15 years and over	1,186,374	*	1,184,631	*	1,188,059
Never married	29.2%		29.7%		28.6%
Now married, except separated	46.7%		46.2%		46.7%
Separated	2.0%		2.1%		2.0%
Widowed	10.0%		9.7%		10.3%
Divorced	12.1%	*	12.3%		12.4%
FERTILITY					
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	37,499		38,096		41,727
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)	34.4%	*	35.6%		40.6%
Per 1,000 unmarried women	34		35		44
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	54		55		59
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old	16	*	20		31
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	97		104		111
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old	27		22		22
GRANDPARENTS					
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years	50,183		56,119		53,993
Responsible for grandchildren	41.4%		44.3%		44.0%

Subject	St. Louis, MO-IL Metro Area				
	2011 Estimate	2012 - 2011 Statistical Significance	2010 Estimate	2012 - 2010 Statistical Significance	2009 Estimate
Years responsible for grandchildren					
Less than 1 year	11.0%		9.5%		10.5%
1 or 2 years	8.4%		10.4%		11.3%
3 or 4 years	7.7%		7.3%		7.8%
5 or more years	14.3%		17.1%		14.4%
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years	20,767		24,849		23,776
Who are female	68.5%		61.2%		64.2%
Who are married	62.0%		70.3%		66.8%
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT					
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	754,816		760,473	*	745,199
Nursery school, preschool	7.5%		6.8%		6.9%
Kindergarten	4.8%		4.8%		4.8%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	38.7%		39.3%		39.6%
High school (grades 9-12)	20.6%		21.1%		21.7%
College or graduate school	28.3%		27.9%		26.9%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT					
Population 25 years and over	1,894,850	*	1,888,112	*	1,893,423
Less than 9th grade	3.2%		3.6%		3.8%
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	6.7%		7.5%	*	7.5%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	27.8%		28.5%	*	27.6%
Some college, no degree	23.3%		22.6%	*	23.9%
Associate's degree	8.3%		7.9%		7.9%
Bachelor's degree	18.8%		18.4%	*	17.8%
Graduate or professional degree	11.9%		11.5%		11.6%
Percent high school graduate or higher	90.1%		88.9%	*	88.7%
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	30.7%		29.9%	*	29.4%
VETERAN STATUS					
Civilian population 18 years and over	2,147,718	*	2,141,408	*	2,144,629
Civilian veterans	10.2%		10.6%		10.7%
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION					
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	2,779,468		2,776,667	*	2,774,483
With a disability	11.9%	*	12.1%		12.4%
Under 18 years	660,334	*	668,130	*	673,482
With a disability	4.5%		4.3%		4.3%
18 to 64 years	1,753,194		1,748,487		1,754,307
With a disability	9.7%	*	10.1%		10.7%
65 years and over	365,940	*	360,050	*	346,694
With a disability	36.0%		36.3%		36.5%
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO					
Population 1 year and over	2,779,116	*	2,779,527	*	2,788,080
Same house	87.3%	*	85.7%		86.3%
Different house in the U.S.	12.3%	*	13.9%		13.4%
Same county	7.2%	*	8.3%		7.8%
Different county	5.1%		5.6%		5.6%
Same state	3.3%		3.3%		3.5%
Different state	1.8%		2.3%		2.1%
Abroad	0.3%		0.3%		0.3%

Subject	St. Louis, MO-IL Metro Area				
	2011 Estimate	2012 - 2011 Statistical Significance	2010 Estimate	2012 - 2010 Statistical Significance	2009 Estimate
PLACE OF BIRTH					
Total population	2,813,680	*	2,815,168	*	2,825,769
Native	95.4%		95.5%		96.0%
Born in United States	94.8%		94.9%		95.3%
State of residence	69.5%		69.4%		69.6%
Different state	25.3%		25.4%		25.7%
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)	0.6%		0.6%		0.7%
Foreign born	4.6%		4.5%		4.0%
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS					
Foreign-born population	130,636		126,513		113,742
Naturalized U.S. citizen	45.5%		47.2%		46.7%
Not a U.S. citizen	54.5%		52.8%		53.3%
YEAR OF ENTRY					
Population born outside the United States	147,500		144,610		132,322
Native	16,864		18,097		18,580
Entered 2010 or later	2.1%		0.2%	*	0.0%
Entered before 2010	97.9%		99.8%	*	100.0%
Foreign born	130,636		126,513		113,742
Entered 2010 or later	6.5%	*	2.2%	*	0.0%
Entered before 2010	93.5%	*	97.8%	*	100.0%
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN					
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	130,636		126,513		113,742
Europe	25.4%		29.8%	*	30.6%
Asia	44.1%		39.7%		42.8%
Africa	6.4%		7.2%		5.4%
Oceania	0.2%	*	0.6%		0.6%
Latin America	22.3%		19.8%		18.3%
Northern America	1.6%	*	2.9%		2.3%
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME					
Population 5 years and over	2,638,963	*	2,639,099	*	2,641,020
English only	93.3%		93.6%		94.0%
Language other than English	6.7%		6.4%		6.0%
Speak English less than "very well"	2.4%		2.3%		2.0%
Spanish	2.2%		2.0%		2.2%
Speak English less than "very well"	0.8%		0.7%		0.6%
Other Indo-European languages	2.5%		2.6%	*	2.2%
Speak English less than "very well"	0.9%	*	0.9%	*	0.6%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	1.4%		1.3%	*	1.2%
Speak English less than "very well"	0.6%	*	0.6%	*	0.6%
Other languages	0.7%		0.5%		0.4%
Speak English less than "very well"	0.2%		0.2%		0.2%
ANCESTRY					
Total population	2,813,680	*	2,815,168	*	2,825,769
American	8.2%		6.2%	*	5.2%
Arab	0.6%		0.4%		0.4%
Czech	0.6%	*	0.7%		0.7%
Danish	0.3%		0.3%	*	0.3%
Dutch	1.2%		1.5%		1.6%
English	8.6%	*	8.5%	*	9.0%

Subject	St. Louis, MO-IL Metro Area				
	2011 Estimate	2012 - 2011 Statistical Significance	2010 Estimate	2012 - 2010 Statistical Significance	2009 Estimate
French (except Basque)	3.7%		4.0%		4.9%
French Canadian	0.1%		0.2%		0.3%
German	29.6%		29.8%		32.7%
Greek	0.4%		0.4%		0.3%
Hungarian	0.5%	*	0.4%		0.5%
Irish	14.1%		14.1%		15.8%
Italian	4.6%		4.8%		5.3%
Lithuanian	0.1%	*	0.2%		0.2%
Norwegian	0.5%		0.5%		0.5%
Polish	2.4%		2.7%		3.0%
Portuguese	0.1%		0.1%		0.1%
Russian	0.8%	*	0.8%	*	0.7%
Scotch-Irish	1.0%		1.1%		0.9%
Scottish	1.4%		1.5%		1.5%
Slovak	0.1%		0.2%		0.2%
Subsaharan African	0.6%		0.7%		0.8%
Swedish	0.7%		0.7%		0.9%
Swiss	0.3%		0.5%		0.5%
Ukrainian	0.1%		0.2%		0.2%
Welsh	0.6%	*	0.5%	*	0.6%
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)	0.1%		0.1%		0.1%

Subject	St. Louis, MO-IL Metro Area		
	2012 - 2009 Statistical Significance	2008 Estimate	2012 - 2008 Statistical Significance
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE			
Total households		1,109,475	
Family households (families)	*	66.3%	*
With own children under 18 years	*	30.3%	*
Married-couple family		49.0%	*
With own children under 18 years	*	20.5%	*
Male householder, no wife present, family		4.5%	
With own children under 18 years		2.2%	
Female householder, no husband present, family		12.9%	
With own children under 18 years	*	7.6%	
Nonfamily households	*	33.7%	*
Householder living alone	*	28.2%	*
65 years and over	*	9.8%	
Households with one or more people under 18 years	*	33.5%	*
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	*	23.2%	*
Average household size		2.47	
Average family size	*	3.06	
RELATIONSHIP			
Population in households		2,745,107	*
Householder		40.4%	
Spouse	*	19.8%	*
Child		30.5%	
Other relatives		5.0%	
Nonrelatives	*	4.3%	*
Unmarried partner		2.2%	*
MARITAL STATUS			
Males 15 years and over		1,080,382	*
Never married		33.3%	*
Now married, except separated		52.8%	*
Separated		1.8%	
Widowed		2.8%	
Divorced		9.3%	*
Females 15 years and over	*	1,182,643	*
Never married	*	28.5%	*
Now married, except separated		47.8%	*
Separated		2.2%	
Widowed	*	9.8%	
Divorced		11.8%	*
FERTILITY			
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months	*	38,842	
Unmarried women (widowed, divorced, and never married)		33.8%	*
Per 1,000 unmarried women		35	
Per 1,000 women 15 to 50 years old	*	55	
Per 1,000 women 15 to 19 years old		16	*
Per 1,000 women 20 to 34 years old	*	106	*
Per 1,000 women 35 to 50 years old		24	
GRANDPARENTS			
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years		54,501	
Responsible for grandchildren		51.7%	*

Subject	St. Louis, MO-IL Metro Area		
	2012 - 2009 Statistical Significance	2008 Estimate	2012 - 2008 Statistical Significance
Years responsible for grandchildren			
Less than 1 year		13.4%	
1 or 2 years		12.3%	*
3 or 4 years		5.3%	
5 or more years		20.7%	*
Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years		28,171	*
Who are female		65.8%	
Who are married		63.2%	
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT			
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school		747,616	
Nursery school, preschool		6.9%	
Kindergarten		4.8%	
Elementary school (grades 1-8)		39.7%	
High school (grades 9-12)	*	21.9%	*
College or graduate school	*	26.7%	*
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT			
Population 25 years and over	*	1,870,971	*
Less than 9th grade	*	4.1%	*
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	*	7.7%	*
High school graduate (includes equivalency)		27.8%	
Some college, no degree		23.7%	
Associate's degree		7.9%	
Bachelor's degree	*	18.1%	*
Graduate or professional degree		10.8%	*
Percent high school graduate or higher	*	88.3%	*
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	*	29.0%	*
VETERAN STATUS			
Civilian population 18 years and over	*	2,128,794	*
Civilian veterans	*	11.1%	*
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION			
Total Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population	*	2,766,595	*
With a disability		12.3%	
Under 18 years	*	675,969	*
With a disability		4.4%	
18 to 64 years		1,744,660	
With a disability		10.6%	
65 years and over	*	345,966	*
With a disability		36.7%	
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO			
Population 1 year and over		2,775,686	*
Same house		85.7%	
Different house in the U.S.		13.9%	
Same county		8.3%	
Different county		5.6%	
Same state		3.5%	
Different state		2.1%	
Abroad		0.4%	

Subject	St. Louis, MO-IL Metro Area		
	2012 - 2009 Statistical Significance	2008 Estimate	2012 - 2008 Statistical Significance
PLACE OF BIRTH			
Total population	*	2,813,614	*
Native	*	96.0%	*
Born in United States		95.3%	
State of residence		69.9%	
Different state		25.5%	
Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or born abroad to American parent(s)		0.7%	
Foreign born	*	4.0%	*
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS			
Foreign-born population	*	112,826	*
Naturalized U.S. citizen		46.3%	
Not a U.S. citizen		53.7%	
YEAR OF ENTRY			
Population born outside the United States		131,303	
Native		18,477	
Entered 2010 or later	*	0.0%	*
Entered before 2010	*	100.0%	*
Foreign born	*	112,826	*
Entered 2010 or later	*	0.0%	*
Entered before 2010	*	100.0%	*
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN			
Foreign-born population, excluding population born at sea	*	112,826	*
Europe	*	29.0%	
Asia		38.7%	*
Africa	*	8.3%	
Oceania		2.0%	
Latin America		19.2%	
Northern America		2.8%	
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME			
Population 5 years and over	*	2,631,056	*
English only	*	94.2%	*
Language other than English	*	5.8%	*
Speak English less than "very well"		2.4%	
Spanish		1.9%	*
Speak English less than "very well"	*	0.7%	
Other Indo-European languages		2.1%	
Speak English less than "very well"		0.8%	*
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	*	1.3%	*
Speak English less than "very well"	*	0.7%	
Other languages		0.4%	
Speak English less than "very well"		0.2%	
ANCESTRY			
Total population	*	2,813,614	*
American	*	5.6%	*
Arab		0.4%	
Czech		0.8%	
Danish	*	0.3%	*
Dutch	*	1.5%	*
English	*	9.0%	*

Subject	St. Louis, MO-IL Metro Area		
	2012 - 2009 Statistical Significance	2008 Estimate	2012 - 2008 Statistical Significance
French (except Basque)	*	4.7%	*
French Canadian		0.2%	
German	*	32.2%	*
Greek		0.4%	
Hungarian	*	0.4%	
Irish	*	15.2%	*
Italian	*	5.1%	
Lithuanian		0.2%	
Norwegian		0.6%	
Polish	*	2.9%	
Portuguese		0.1%	
Russian	*	0.7%	*
Scotch-Irish		1.1%	*
Scottish		1.7%	
Slovak	*	0.1%	
Subsaharan African		0.9%	*
Swedish	*	0.9%	*
Swiss		0.5%	
Ukrainian		0.2%	
Welsh	*	0.5%	
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups)		0.1%	

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.

Ancestry listed in this table refers to the total number of people who responded with a particular ancestry; for example, the estimate given for Russian represents the number of people who listed Russian as either their first or second ancestry. This table lists only the largest ancestry groups; see the Detailed Tables for more categories. Race and Hispanic origin groups are not included in this table because official data for those groups come from the Race and Hispanic origin questions rather than the ancestry question (see Demographic Table).

Data for year of entry of the native population reflect the year of entry into the U.S. by people who were born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island Areas or born outside the U.S. to a U.S. citizen parent and who subsequently moved to the U.S.

Selected migration data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with group quarters data collection and imputation. See Errata Note #44 for details.

Fertility data are not available for certain geographic areas due to problems with data collection. See Errata Note #92 for details.

The Census Bureau introduced a new set of disability questions in the 2008 ACS questionnaire. Accordingly, comparisons of disability data from 2008 or later with data from prior years are not recommended. For more information on these questions and their evaluation in the 2006 ACS Content Test, see the Evaluation Report Covering Disability.

While the 2012 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.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 American Community Survey

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.