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2009-2013 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Supporting documentation on code lists, subject definitions, data accuracy, and statistical testing can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Data and Documentation section. Sample size and data quality measures (including coverage rates, allocation rates, and response rates) can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Methodology section.

Although the American Community Survey (ACS) produces population, demographic and housing unit estimates, it is the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program that produces and disseminates the official estimates of the population for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns and estimates of housing units for states and counties.

Subject	La Plata County, Colorado					
	Total		Male		Female	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
Population 18 to 24 years	5,857	+/-106	3,079	+/-100	2,778	+/-40
Less than high school graduate	10.8%	+/-2.6	16.2%	+/-4.2	4.9%	+/-2.4
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	20.6%	+/-4.3	21.9%	+/-5.8	19.1%	+/-5.2
Some college or associate's degree	55.0%	+/-5.3	51.1%	+/-6.5	59.4%	+/-7.1
Bachelor's degree or higher	13.6%	+/-4.2	10.9%	+/-4.6	16.7%	+/-5.1
Population 25 years and over	35,725	+/-106	17,954	+/-96	17,771	+/-66
Less than 9th grade	2.0%	+/-0.5	1.8%	+/-0.6	2.2%	+/-0.7
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	3.8%	+/-0.6	3.5%	+/-0.7	4.2%	+/-0.9
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	19.4%	+/-1.3	20.6%	+/-1.7	18.2%	+/-1.7
Some college, no degree	25.7%	+/-1.7	27.0%	+/-2.1	24.4%	+/-2.3
Associate's degree	7.7%	+/-1.1	6.0%	+/-1.2	9.5%	+/-1.6
Bachelor's degree	25.7%	+/-1.7	25.7%	+/-2.1	25.8%	+/-2.3
Graduate or professional degree	15.6%	+/-1.3	15.6%	+/-1.8	15.7%	+/-1.6
Percent high school graduate or higher	94.2%	+/-0.7	94.8%	+/-0.8	93.6%	+/-1.1
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	41.4%	+/-1.9	41.2%	+/-2.4	41.6%	+/-2.3
Population 25 to 34 years	7,158	+/-126	3,796	+/-95	3,362	+/-64
High school graduate or higher	94.5%	+/-1.8	94.4%	+/-2.1	94.6%	+/-2.7
Bachelor's degree or higher	37.7%	+/-4.4	37.2%	+/-6.1	38.3%	+/-5.8

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Population 35 to 44 years	6,601	+/-49	3,358	+/-19	3,243	+/-46		
High school graduate or higher	94.5%	+/-2.1	95.9%	+/-1.9	93.2%	+/-4.0		
Bachelor's degree or higher	46.5%	+/-4.6	38.2%	+/-6.3	55.1%	+/-5.2		
Population 45 to 64 years	15,559	+/-60	7,666	+/-46	7,893	+/-49		
High school graduate or higher	94.5%	+/-1.1	95.3%	+/-1.1	93.8%	+/-1.8		
Bachelor's degree or higher	40.0%	+/-2.6	40.9%	+/-3.2	39.2%	+/-3.1		
Population 65 years and over	6,407	+/-19	3,134	+/-16	3,273	+/-10		
High school graduate or higher	92.7%	+/-1.9	92.7%	+/-2.7	92.8%	+/-2.4		
Bachelor's degree or higher	43.6%	+/-3.8	50.4%	+/-5.1	37.2%	+/-5.2		
POVERTY RATE FOR THE POPULATION 25 YEARS AND OVER FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT LEVEL								
Less than high school graduate	20.4%	+/-5.5	24.2%	+/-7.6	17.5%	+/-7.7		
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	9.5%	+/-2.2	8.7%	+/-2.8	10.3%	+/-2.8		
Some college or associate's degree	9.6%	+/-2.2	8.0%	+/-2.5	11.2%	+/-3.5		
Bachelor's degree or higher	5.9%	+/-1.5	5.4%	+/-1.7	6.5%	+/-2.1		
MEDIAN EARNINGS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2013 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)								
Population 25 years and over with earnings	33,786	+/-1,794	40,305	+/-2,467	27,941	+/-2,313		
Less than high school graduate	20,965	+/-6,010	25,856	+/-5,242	17,428	+/-6,479		
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	26,615	+/-1,309	31,242	+/-3,250	21,965	+/-2,208		
Some college or associate's degree	31,893	+/-1,987	35,415	+/-3,042	26,739	+/-2,892		
Bachelor's degree	40,288	+/-2,009	46,766	+/-3,824	32,388	+/-2,813		
Graduate or professional degree	49,537	+/-4,396	54,712	+/-7,044	40,547	+/-3,804		
PERCENT IMPUTED								
Educational attainment	3.1%	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)

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.

While the 2009-2013 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the February 2013 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 2010 data. 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.