



United States and States

R1501. Percent of People 25 Years and Over Who Have Completed High School (Includes Equivalency)

Universe: Population 25 years and over

Data Set: 2009 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

Survey: American Community Survey, Puerto Rico Community Survey

NOTE. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see Survey Methodology.

Rank	State	Percent	Margin of Error
1	Wyoming	91.8	+/-0.7
2	Minnesota	91.5	+/-0.2
3	Alaska	91.4	+/-0.6
4	New Hampshire	91.3	+/-0.5
5	Vermont	91.0	+/-0.7
6	Montana	90.8	+/-0.5
7	Iowa	90.5	+/-0.3
8	Hawaii	90.4	+/-0.5
8	Utah	90.4	+/-0.4
10	Maine	90.2	+/-0.5
11	North Dakota	90.1	+/-0.6
12	South Dakota	89.9	+/-0.6
13	Nebraska	89.8	+/-0.4
13	Wisconsin	89.8	+/-0.2
15	Kansas	89.7	+/-0.4
15	Washington	89.7	+/-0.3
17	Colorado	89.3	+/-0.4
18	Oregon	89.1	+/-0.4
19	Massachusetts	89.0	+/-0.3
20	Connecticut	88.6	+/-0.4
21	Idaho	88.4	+/-0.5
22	Maryland	88.2	+/-0.3
23	Michigan	87.9	+/-0.2
23	Pennsylvania	87.9	+/-0.2
25	Ohio	87.6	+/-0.2
26	Delaware	87.4	+/-0.8
26	New Jersey	87.4	+/-0.2
28	District of Columbia	87.1	+/-1.0
29	Missouri	86.8	+/-0.3
30	Indiana	86.6	+/-0.3
30	Virginia	86.6	+/-0.3
32	Illinois	86.4	+/-0.2
33	Oklahoma	85.6	+/-0.4
	United States	85.3	+/-0.1
34	Florida	85.3	+/-0.2
35	New York	84.7	+/-0.2
35	Rhode Island	84.7	+/-0.8
37	North Carolina	84.3	+/-0.3
38	Arizona	84.2	+/-0.3
39	Georgia	83.9	+/-0.3
39	Nevada	83.9	+/-0.6
41	South Carolina	83.6	+/-0.4
42	Tennessee	83.1	+/-0.3
43	New Mexico	82.8	+/-0.6
43	West Virginia	82.8	+/-0.5
45	Arkansas	82.4	+/-0.5
46	Louisiana	82.2	+/-0.4
47	Alabama	82.1	+/-0.4
48	Kentucky	81.7	+/-0.4
49	California	80.6	+/-0.2
50	Mississippi	80.4	+/-0.5

Rank	State	Percent	Margin of Error
51	Texas	79.9	+/-0.2
	Puerto Rico	68.5	+/-0.5

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:

·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.