

Social, Economic, and Housing Characteristics of Hawaii Population by Selected Races

The U.S. Census Bureau released data on the social, economic, and housing characteristics of population by selected races on May 24, 2012. The data are tabulated from the Bureau's American Community Survey conducted between 2006 and 2010. Data represent the average of the five years surveyed. During the 2006-2010 period, the Census Bureau surveyed a total of 37,358 households in Hawaii, an average of 7,472 households per year, representing 7.3% of Hawaii's total households, covered about 7.3 % of Hawaii's resident population.

Following are the summary of major indicators for Hawaii. The findings are based on selected "race alone and in combination" groups in the State of Hawaii – White; Black or African American; Chinese; Filipino; Japanese; Korean; Vietnamese; Native Hawaiian; and Samoan.

Social Characteristics

- 87.6% of Samoan households were family household, ranked #1 among all the race groups, followed by Filipino at 82.8%, and Native Hawaiian at 77.1%.
- In terms of % of households with children, Samoan households also ranked #1 with 67.0% of them having children (under 18 years of age) in their households. A little over half (51%) of the Filipino households have children.
- 40.9% of the Japanese households had people 65 years or above and ranked on top of all the racial groups. 30.8% of the Filipino households had aged persons and was above the state average of 28.8%.
- Samoan households had the largest size at an average of 4.6 persons per household, followed by Filipino households at 4.03 persons, and Native Hawaiians at 3.46 persons per household.
- The average birth per year during the 2006-2010 period was 18,847, about 41% or 7,730 of the births were given by White or part White women. 5,344 births per was given by Filipinos and 4,944 were given by Native Hawaiians.
- Whites has the highest % of people with bachelor's degree or higher. 35% of the Whites 25 years or above had at least a bachelor's degree; Japanese ranked #2 with 34.9%, and #3 was Chinese with 31.1%. Samoans had the lowest % of college degree at only 8.8%.
- About 15% of the Hawaii households moved their residence each year. 26.7% of the Blacks moved their homes each year. 19.1% of the Whites changed their home each year. The Vietnamese had the least mobility with 91.9% of the household stayed at the same residence.
- 57.7% of the Vietnamese in Hawaii were born outside of the United States; 36.6% of the Koreans were foreign born and 32.4% of the Filipinos were born in a foreign country.
- Of the foreign born population, 43.6% were holding foreign passport, Filipinos are the largest group with nearly 37,000 of them were non-U.S. citizen.
- 75.7% of the Vietnamese 5 years of age or above speak a language other than English at home; Koreans and Samoans were the other groups that speak a language other than English at home with 44.4% and 44.3%, respectively.

Economic Characteristics

- Blacks had the highest civilian unemployment rate during the 5 year period at 9.4%, followed by the Native Hawaiians and the Samoans both at 9.1% unemployment.
- 10% of the Samoan workers used public transportation to go to work; 9.8% of the Filipino workers and 8.7% of the Vietnamese workers used public transportation to commute to work.
- White, Japanese, and Black are the top three groups in terms of % of workers in the management, business, science, and arts occupations at 38.4%, 38.4%, and 37.0%, respectively.
- 15.6% of the Vietnamese in Hawaii were self employed, 11% of the Whites, and 9.9% of the Koreans were self-employed. Samoans has the least percentage of self-employed persons at only 0.9%.
- Filipino households had the highest median household income at \$71,446 a year; followed by Japanese at \$70,808 and Chinese at \$67,082. Vietnamese had the lowest median household income at \$41,582.
- In terms of family income, Japanese families ranked #1 at \$88,651 a year, followed by White at \$78,174 and Chinese at \$77,411.
- White had the highest per capita income at \$31,422, followed by Japanese at \$30,875 and Chinese at \$25,065. Samoans had the lowest per capita income at \$13,319.
- Samoans had the highest poverty rate during the 5 years with 17.3% of them having income below the poverty line, followed by the Vietnamese at 15.9% and the Native Hawaiians at 12.1%. Japanese had the lowest poverty rate with only 5.3%.

Housing Characteristics

- Japanese had the highest home ownership at 74.6% during the 2006-2010 period, followed by the Chinese at 62.4%, and the Filipino at 61.4%. Samoans had the lowest home ownership at only 26.3%.
- 21.5% of the Vietnamese households did not have any vehicles, 13.3% of the Korean households, and 11% of the Chinese households did not own any vehicles.
- Median homeowner cost was the highest among Vietnamese at \$2,489 a month including a mortgage; followed by the Blacks at \$2,421 and the Whites at \$2,363. Native Hawaiian home owners pay the least at \$1,950 a month.
- Black renters paid the highest rent at \$1,740 a month, followed by White renters at \$1,465 and Samoans renters at \$1,161.

**SUMMARY TABLE FOR SELECTED RACE ALONE OR IN COMBINATION GROUP
CHARACTERISTICS, STATE OF HAWAII: 2006-2010**

[In percentages, unless otherwise specified. The 2006-2010 5-year dataset that was used describes the average characteristics of people living in Hawaii between the years 2006 and 2010. Based on a sample and subject to sampling variability]

Subject	Total population	White	Black or African American	Chinese	Filipino	Japanese	Korean	Vietnamese	Native Hawaiian	Samoan
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE										
Total households (number)	442,267	195,412	10,583	52,781	69,486	104,067	14,311	3,612	65,680	5,002
Family households (families)	69.8%	64.9%	61.3%	73.3%	82.8%	69.0%	68.2%	75.1%	77.1%	87.6%
Households with one or more people under 18 years	34.6%	32.1%	43.2%	38.2%	51.0%	26.2%	32.1%	49.3%	48.7%	67.0%
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	28.8%	21.8%	10.0%	28.4%	30.8%	40.9%	28.4%	15.2%	22.3%	17.5%
Average household size	2.92	2.62	2.57	3.02	4.03	2.61	2.64	3.14	3.46	4.6
Average family size	3.49	3.17	3.32	3.55	4.31	3.21	3.23	3.59	3.93	4.85
FERTILITY										
Number of women 15 to 50 years old who had a birth in the past 12 months (number)	18,847	7,730	520	2,557	5,344	3,095	648	323	4,944	595
GRANDPARENTS										
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years (number)	52,427	12,866	463	6,011	18,643	9,565	1,034	348	13,064	1,538
Responsible for grandchildren	23.6%	29.2%	15.6%	25.5%	19.7%	15.6%	32.0%	9.8%	31.8%	39.0%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT										
Population 25 years and over (number)	903,810	351,665	18,831	111,670	187,946	217,194	30,646	8,277	144,986	12,851
Percent high school graduate or higher	89.8%	94.5%	95.1%	88.4%	83.4%	93.0%	88.9%	69.1%	90.2%	87.4%
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	29.4%	35.0%	26.7%	31.1%	17.3%	34.9%	27.6%	17.6%	14.5%	8.8%
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO										
Population 1 year ago and over (number)	1,316,752	545,876	37,134	185,691	316,010	305,022	46,986	13,142	267,560	29,477
Same house	84.6%	79.4%	69.8%	88.3%	88.7%	91.3%	86.3%	91.9%	86.1%	82.8%
Different house in the U.S.	14.0%	19.1%	26.7%	10.9%	10.5%	8.3%	11.3%	6.9%	13.6%	15.8%
Abroad	1.4%	1.5%	3.5%	0.8%	0.9%	0.4%	2.4%	1.2%	0.3%	1.3%
PLACE OF BIRTH										
Total population (number)	1,333,591	555,392	38,037	188,698	321,470	308,629	47,772	13,369	273,049	30,233
Native	82.3%	94.8%	94.3%	84.8%	67.6%	92.7%	63.4%	42.3%	99.6%	92.7%
Foreign born	17.7%	5.2%	5.7%	15.2%	32.4%	7.3%	36.6%	57.7%	0.4%	7.3%
U.S. CITIZENSHIP STATUS										
Foreign-born population (number)	236,177	28,614	2,150	28,690	104,218	22,545	17,494	7,710	1,140	2,220
Naturalized U.S. citizen	56.4%	50.0%	46.0%	69.3%	64.6%	42.5%	62.2%	73.6%	71.7%	50.7%
Not a U.S. citizen	43.6%	50.0%	54.0%	30.7%	35.4%	57.5%	37.8%	26.4%	28.3%	49.3%
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME										
Population 5 years and over (number)	1,247,010	509,439	33,360	171,855	293,265	289,553	44,047	12,037	244,515	26,228
Language other than English	25.5%	9.8%	11.9%	23.8%	39.3%	16.5%	44.4%	75.7%	9.1%	44.3%
Speak English less than "very well"	11.6%	1.9%	3.1%	11.4%	20.9%	7.0%	27.4%	48.5%	1.4%	13.1%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS										
Civilian labor force (number)	674,469	270,984	14,244	91,102	161,235	152,737	22,221	6,496	126,932	12,283
Percent Unemployed	5.6%	6.6%	9.4%	5.9%	5.6%	3.4%	6.0%	4.4%	9.1%	9.1%
COMMUTING TO WORK										
Workers 16 years and over (number)	658,322	273,128	18,047	84,160	150,568	145,045	20,702	6,186	112,509	10,899
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	6.0%	3.5%	6.2%	7.5%	9.8%	4.4%	6.1%	8.7%	4.9%	10.0%
OCCUPATION										
Civilian employed population 16 years and over (number)	636,454	253,071	12,907	85,724	152,200	147,514	20,877	6,212	115,405	11,167
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	33.2%	38.4%	37.0%	34.3%	20.6%	38.4%	34.0%	17.8%	24.4%	17.2%
CLASS OF WORKER										
Civilian employed population 16 years and over (number)	636,454	253,071	12,907	85,724	152,200	147,514	20,877	6,212	115,405	11,167
Self-employed in own not incorporated business workers	8.0%	11.0%	6.7%	7.7%	3.8%	6.1%	9.9%	15.6%	5.2%	0.9%
INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2010 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)										
Total households (number)	442,267	195,412	10,583	52,781	69,486	104,067	14,311	3,612	65,680	5,002
Median household income (dollars)	66,420	66,928	56,471	67,082	71,446	70,808	53,727	41,582	62,852	57,788
Families (number)	308,525	126,863	6,488	38,672	57,569	71,795	9,763	2,712	50,627	4,383
Median family income (dollars)	77,245	78,174	65,195	77,411	75,087	88,651	69,605	47,576	70,179	57,826
Per capita income (dollars)	28,882	31,422	21,798	25,065	19,921	30,875	24,637	17,630	19,536	13,319
PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL										
All families	6.7%	7.2%	7.7%	7.4%	6.0%	3.0%	8.4%	16.3%	10.8%	17.7%
All people	9.6%	10.2%	11.7%	8.5%	7.5%	5.3%	10.5%	15.9%	12.1%	17.3%
65 years and over	7.5%	6.3%	5.9%	7.4%	8.7%	5.7%	20.0%	23.4%	6.5%	10.8%
HOUSING TENURE										
Occupied housing units (number)	442,267	195,412	10,583	52,781	69,486	104,067	14,311	3,612	65,680	5,002
Owner-occupied	59.3%	54.2%	30.2%	62.4%	61.4%	74.6%	56.9%	33.7%	54.4%	26.3%
Renter-occupied	40.7%	45.8%	69.8%	37.6%	38.6%	25.4%	43.1%	66.3%	45.6%	73.7%
No vehicles available	8.6%	7.2%	7.4%	11.0%	7.0%	9.2%	13.3%	21.5%	8.0%	8.8%
No telephone service available	3.4%	3.5%	4.8%	3.2%	3.2%	2.1%	3.9%	4.5%	4.6%	5.8%
1.51 or more	3.0%	2.1%	1.6%	3.3%	5.7%	1.0%	2.7%	4.2%	4.7%	14.4%
VALUE										
Owner-occupied units (number)	262,419	105,835	3,191	32,933	42,698	77,617	8,139	1,219	35,740	1,316
Median (dollars)	537,400	564,100	469,300	557,000	498,100	539,600	533,500	493,800	463,800	441,800
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)										
Housing units with a mortgage (number)	180,639	76,894	2,664	21,622	34,483	47,575	5,786	950	26,725	987
Median (dollars)	2,225	2,363	2,421	2,170	2,272	2,076	2,283	2,489	1,950	2,346
GROSS RENT										
Occupied units paying rent (number)	165,980	83,184	7,011	17,954	24,944	22,827	5,858	2,330	27,228	3,549
Median (dollars)	1,260	1,465	1,740	1,102	1,091	1,078	1,080	1,003	1,084	1,161