



**City of Tucson, Arizona**  
**Selected Housing Characteristics: 2006-2008**  
 2006-2008 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates  
 American Community Survey

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Selected Housing Characteristics	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)	Percent	Margin of Error (+/-)
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>				
Total housing units	225,340	1,290	225,340	(X)
Occupied housing units	200,845	1,993	89.1%	0.7
Vacant housing units	24,495	1,605	10.9%	0.7
Homeowner vacancy rate	3.1	0.6	(X)	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	8.7	1.1	(X)	(X)
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE</b>				
Total housing units	225,340	1,290	225,340	(X)
1-unit, detached	116,690	1,564	51.8%	0.6
1-unit, attached	18,879	1,267	8.4%	0.6
2 units	6,458	880	2.9%	0.4
3 or 4 units	9,638	925	4.3%	0.4
5 to 9 units	12,460	973	5.5%	0.4
10 to 19 units	17,095	1,115	7.6%	0.5
20 or more units	28,357	1,311	12.6%	0.6
Mobile home	15,115	1,065	6.7%	0.5
Boat, RV, van, etc.	648	223	0.3%	0.1
<b>YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT</b>				
Total housing units	225,340	1,290	225,340	(X)
Built 2005 or later	5,966	701	2.6%	0.3
Built 2000 to 2004	18,591	1,034	8.3%	0.5
Built 1990 to 1999	28,016	1,375	12.4%	0.6
Built 1980 to 1989	38,104	1,813	16.9%	0.8
Built 1970 to 1979	52,486	1,684	23.3%	0.7
Built 1960 to 1969	27,292	1,323	12.1%	0.6
Built 1950 to 1959	35,043	1,563	15.6%	0.7
Built 1940 to 1949	11,485	959	5.1%	0.4
Built 1939 or earlier	8,357	840	3.7%	0.4

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<b>ROOMS</b>				
Total housing units	225,340	1,290	225,340	(X)
1 room	8,247	850	3.7%	0.4
2 rooms	13,634	1,164	6.1%	0.5
3 rooms	33,673	1,673	14.9%	0.7
4 rooms	50,035	2,137	22.2%	0.9
5 rooms	48,481	1,848	21.5%	0.8
6 rooms	36,365	1,439	16.1%	0.6
7 rooms	20,971	1,231	9.3%	0.5
8 rooms	9,112	793	4.0%	0.4
9 rooms or more	4,822	552	2.1%	0.2
Median rooms	4.6	0.2	(X)	(X)
<b>BEDROOMS</b>				
Total housing units	225,340	1,290	225,340	(X)
No bedroom	9,580	927	4.3%	0.4
1 bedroom	44,245	1,449	19.6%	0.6
2 bedrooms	66,051	2,027	29.3%	0.9
3 bedrooms	76,974	1,589	34.2%	0.7
4 bedrooms	25,391	1,169	11.3%	0.5
5 or more bedrooms	3,099	410	1.4%	0.2
<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>				
Occupied housing units	200,845	1,993	200,845	(X)
Owner-occupied	108,765	1,707	54.2%	0.8
Renter-occupied	92,080	2,092	45.8%	0.8
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.69	0.04	(X)	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.44	0.04	(X)	(X)
<b>YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT</b>				
Occupied housing units	200,845	1,993	200,845	(X)
Moved in 2005 or later	82,292	2,097	41.0%	0.9
Moved in 2000 to 2004	50,740	1,717	25.3%	0.8
Moved in 1990 to 1999	34,149	1,349	17.0%	0.7
Moved in 1980 to 1989	14,603	905	7.3%	0.5
Moved in 1970 to 1979	10,923	762	5.4%	0.4
Moved in 1969 or earlier	8,138	676	4.1%	0.3
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>				
Occupied housing units	200,845	1,993	200,845	(X)
No vehicles available	23,110	1,361	11.5%	0.7
1 vehicle available	87,336	2,148	43.5%	0.9
2 vehicles available	63,761	1,836	31.7%	0.9
3 or more vehicles available	26,638	1,335	13.3%	0.7
<b>HOUSE HEATING FUEL</b>				
Occupied housing units	200,845	1,993	200,845	(X)
Utility gas	116,733	1,954	58.1%	0.9
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	2,624	414	1.3%	0.2
Electricity	79,736	2,056	39.7%	0.9
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	151	122	0.1%	0.1
Coal or coke	35	29	0.0%	0.1
Wood	635	259	0.3%	0.1
Solar energy	52	61	0.0%	0.1
Other fuel	47	44	0.0%	0.1
No fuel used	832	240	0.4%	0.1

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<b>SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS</b>				
Occupied housing units	200,845	1,993	200,845	(X)
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	731	304	0.4%	0.2
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	1,435	334	0.7%	0.2
No telephone service available	11,351	1,208	5.7%	0.6
<b>OCCUPANTS PER ROOM</b>				
Occupied housing units	200,845	1,993	200,845	(X)
1.00 or less	191,717	1,903	95.5%	0.4
1.01 to 1.50	6,812	759	3.4%	0.4
1.51 or more	2,316	502	1.2%	0.2
<b>VALUE</b>				
Owner-occupied units	108,765	1,707	108,765	(X)
Less than \$50,000	9,320	754	8.6%	0.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8,876	762	8.2%	0.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	19,116	988	17.6%	0.9
\$150,000 to \$199,999	27,455	1,397	25.2%	1.2
\$200,000 to \$299,999	30,441	1,228	28.0%	1.1
\$300,000 to \$499,999	10,600	649	9.7%	0.6
\$500,000 to \$999,999	2,676	369	2.5%	0.3
\$1,000,000 or more	281	116	0.3%	0.1
Median (dollars)	180,600	2,213	(X)	(X)
<b>MORTGAGE STATUS</b>				
Owner-occupied units	108,765	1,707	108,765	(X)
Housing units with a mortgage	75,675	1,749	69.6%	1.0
Housing units without a mortgage	33,090	1,099	30.4%	1.0
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS (SMOC)</b>				
Housing units with a mortgage	75,675	1,749	75,675	(X)
Less than \$300	248	95	0.3%	0.1
\$300 to \$499	1,642	378	2.2%	0.5
\$500 to \$699	5,419	648	7.2%	0.9
\$700 to \$999	16,057	1,163	21.2%	1.3
\$1,000 to \$1,499	29,591	1,262	39.1%	1.5
\$1,500 to \$1,999	15,077	949	19.9%	1.2
\$2,000 or more	7,641	784	10.1%	1.0
Median (dollars)	1,218	19	(X)	(X)
Housing units without a mortgage	33,090	1,099	33,090	(X)
Less than \$100	821	285	2.5%	0.9
\$100 to \$199	3,408	531	10.3%	1.5
\$200 to \$299	8,508	757	25.7%	2.2
\$300 to \$399	8,938	767	27.0%	2.0
\$400 or more	11,415	742	34.5%	2.1
Median (dollars)	341	8	(X)	(X)
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (SMOCAPI)</b>				
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)	75,471	1,755	75,471	(X)
Less than 20.0 percent	24,707	1,204	32.7%	1.4

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20.0 to 24.9 percent	11,306	927	15.0%	1.2
25.0 to 29.9 percent	10,281	891	13.6%	1.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	7,389	832	9.8%	1.1
35.0 percent or more	21,788	1,239	28.9%	1.5
Not computed	204	118	(X)	(X)
Housing unit without a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI cannot be computed)				
	32,642	1,082	32,642	(X)
Less than 10.0 percent	13,366	789	40.9%	2.2
10.0 to 14.9 percent	6,456	574	19.8%	1.7
15.0 to 19.9 percent	4,409	570	13.5%	1.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	2,268	402	6.9%	1.2
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,572	296	4.8%	0.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,099	292	3.4%	0.9
35.0 percent or more	3,472	534	10.6%	1.6
Not computed	448	222	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	88,808	2,081	88,808	(X)
Less than \$200	1,765	394	2.0%	0.4
\$200 to \$299	1,516	379	1.7%	0.4
\$300 to \$499	13,226	1,142	14.9%	1.2
\$500 to \$749	37,194	1,690	41.9%	1.7
\$750 to \$999	19,596	1,362	22.1%	1.5
\$1,000 to \$1,499	13,058	1,062	14.7%	1.2
\$1,500 or more	2,453	423	2.8%	0.5
Median (dollars)	674	10	(X)	(X)
No rent paid	3,272	559	(X)	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (GRAPI)				
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	87,543	2,062	87,543	(X)
Less than 15.0 percent	9,267	952	10.6%	1.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	10,966	1,006	12.5%	1.1
20.0 to 24.9 percent	10,670	960	12.2%	1.1
25.0 to 29.9 percent	10,287	1,097	11.8%	1.2
30.0 to 34.9 percent	8,056	932	9.2%	1.0
35.0 percent or more	38,297	1,704	43.7%	1.6
Not computed	4,537	643	(X)	(X)

**Source:** U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2008 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 <http://www.census.gov/acs/www/UseData/Accuracy/Accuracy1.htm> Accuracy of the Data). The effect of nonsampling error is not represented in these tables.

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**Notes:**

- In prior years, the universe included all owner-occupied units with a mortgage. It is now restricted to include only those units where SMOCAPI is computed, that is, SMOC and household income are valid values.
- In prior years, the universe included all owner-occupied units without a mortgage. It is now restricted to include only those units where SMOCAPI is computed, that is, SMOC and household income are valid values.
- In prior years, the universe included all renter-occupied units. It is now restricted to include only those units where GRAPI is computed, that is, gross rent and household income are valid values.
- Due to the use of value categories rather than specific amounts collected for each individual housing unit in 2006 and 2007, property value on the 3-year file cannot be inflation adjusted. Any table providing data on property values is reported in current dollars. This is in contrast to the other monetary data on the 3-year file, which are inflated to 2008 dollars.
- The estimate for mortgage status and selected monthly owner costs, median mortgage status and selected monthly owner costs, gross rent, and median gross rent for previous years is adjusted for inflation to the current year.
- The median gross rent excludes no cash renters.
- While the 2008 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the November 2007 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. The 2008 Puerto Rico Community Survey (PRCS) data generally reflect the November 2007 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 PRCS 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.

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