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American FactFinder



Maryland

Selected Economic Characteristics: 2006
 Data Set: **2006 American Community Survey**
 Survey: **American Community Survey**

NOTE. 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.

For more information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see [Survey Methodology](#).

Selected Economic Characteristics: 2006	Estimate	Margin of Error
EMPLOYMENT STATUS		
Population 16 years and over	4,419,589	+/-3,757
In labor force	3,059,715	+/-13,122
Civilian labor force	3,036,959	+/-13,200
Employed	2,875,976	+/-14,484
Unemployed	160,983	+/-7,668
Armed Forces	22,756	+/-2,488
Not in labor force	1,359,874	+/-12,749
Civilian labor force	3,036,959	+/-13,200
Unemployed	5.3%	+/-0.3
Females 16 years and over	2,314,862	+/-2,618
In labor force	1,493,848	+/-9,997
Civilian labor force	1,488,667	+/-10,039
Employed	1,407,421	+/-10,266
Own children under 6 years	417,293	+/-4,774
All parents in family in labor force	280,657	+/-6,906
Own children 6 to 17 years	855,152	+/-6,427
All parents in family in labor force	657,259	+/-11,825
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Workers 16 years and over	2,813,342	+/-14,943
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	2,049,298	+/-17,462
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	300,038	+/-10,022
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	248,203	+/-8,859
Walked	73,327	+/-4,716
Other means	39,860	+/-3,375
Worked at home	102,616	+/-5,905
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	30.6	+/-0.2
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	2,875,976	+/-14,484
OCCUPATION		
Management, professional, and related occupations	1,224,453	+/-14,910
Service occupations	436,854	+/-12,014
Sales and office occupations	718,374	+/-12,580
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	6,130	+/-1,224
Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair occupations	256,533	+/-7,014
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	233,632	+/-7,936
INDUSTRY		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	15,278	+/-2,030

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Construction	220,566	+/-7,889
Manufacturing	155,944	+/-6,239
Wholesale trade	72,449	+/-4,709
Retail trade	292,120	+/-8,479
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	129,358	+/-6,205
Information	82,142	+/-5,147
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	207,009	+/-7,371
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services	419,027	+/-9,308
Educational services, and health care, and social assistance	610,493	+/-12,811
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation, and food services	210,009	+/-8,875
Other services, except public administration	153,925	+/-5,573
Public administration	307,656	+/-9,560
CLASS OF WORKER		
Private wage and salary workers	2,099,717	+/-17,599
Government workers	625,749	+/-12,049
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	146,540	+/-5,305
Unpaid family workers	3,970	+/-971
INCOME AND BENEFITS (IN 2006 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)		
Total households	2,089,031	+/-6,574
Less than \$10,000	105,858	+/-3,945
\$10,000 to \$14,999	77,534	+/-4,177
\$15,000 to \$24,999	152,631	+/-5,820
\$25,000 to \$34,999	181,053	+/-7,109
\$35,000 to \$49,999	266,923	+/-7,309
\$50,000 to \$74,999	409,196	+/-8,576
\$75,000 to \$99,999	301,238	+/-8,483
\$100,000 to \$149,999	346,972	+/-7,379
\$150,000 to \$199,999	132,434	+/-5,892
\$200,000 or more	115,192	+/-4,532
Median household income (dollars)	65,144	+/-659
Mean household income (dollars)	83,367	+/-786
With earnings	1,757,087	+/-8,758
Mean earnings (dollars)	83,247	+/-835
With Social Security	496,543	+/-5,957
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	13,871	+/-137
With retirement income	410,792	+/-7,627
Mean retirement income (dollars)	23,903	+/-493
With Supplemental Security Income	60,648	+/-3,606
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	7,210	+/-286
With cash public assistance income	40,984	+/-3,411
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	2,950	+/-274
With Food Stamp benefits in the past 12 months	101,102	+/-5,651
Families	1,405,655	+/-12,927
Less than \$10,000	41,419	+/-3,310
\$10,000 to \$14,999	26,744	+/-2,685
\$15,000 to \$24,999	74,719	+/-4,283
\$25,000 to \$34,999	100,846	+/-5,283
\$35,000 to \$49,999	162,774	+/-5,688
\$50,000 to \$74,999	270,346	+/-7,095
\$75,000 to \$99,999	226,406	+/-7,092
\$100,000 to \$149,999	283,013	+/-6,763
\$150,000 to \$199,999	115,647	+/-5,503
\$200,000 or more	103,741	+/-4,608
Median family income (dollars)	77,839	+/-851
Mean family income (dollars)	96,653	+/-1,113
Per capita income (dollars)	31,888	+/-300
Nonfamily households	683,376	+/-11,593
Median nonfamily income (dollars)	41,397	+/-801
Mean nonfamily income (dollars)	52,505	+/-1,135
Median earnings for workers (dollars)	35,593	+/-311
Median earnings for male full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	51,316	+/-331
Median earnings for female full-time, year-round workers (dollars)	41,761	+/-344

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PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL		
All families	5.3%	+/-0.3
With related children under 18 years	7.6%	+/-0.6
With related children under 5 years only	7.7%	+/-1.3
Married couple families	1.9%	+/-0.2
With related children under 18 years	1.8%	+/-0.3
With related children under 5 years only	1.8%	+/-0.7
Families with female householder, no husband present	16.6%	+/-1.2
With related children under 18 years	21.8%	+/-1.7
With related children under 5 years only	23.6%	+/-3.9
All people	7.8%	+/-0.3
Under 18 years	9.7%	+/-0.7
Related children under 18 years	9.3%	+/-0.7
Related children under 5 years	10.9%	+/-1.2
Related children 5 to 17 years	8.7%	+/-0.8
18 years and over	7.2%	+/-0.3
18 to 64 years	7.1%	+/-0.3
65 years and over	8.2%	+/-0.5
People in families	5.6%	+/-0.4
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	17.9%	+/-0.7

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 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:

- Employment and unemployment estimates may vary from the official labor force data released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics because of differences in survey design and data collection. For guidance on differences in employment and unemployment estimates from different sources go to [Labor Force Guidance](#).
- Workers include members of the Armed Forces and civilians who were at work last week.
- Occupation codes are 4-digit codes, but are still based on Standard Occupational Classification 2000.
- Industry codes are 4-digit codes and are based on the North American Industry Classification System 2002. However, the Industry categories adhere to the guidelines issued in Clarification Memorandum No. 2, "NAICS Alternate Aggregation Structure for Use By U.S. Statistical Agencies," issued by the Office of Management and Budget.
- While the 2006 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the December 2005 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.

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.
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