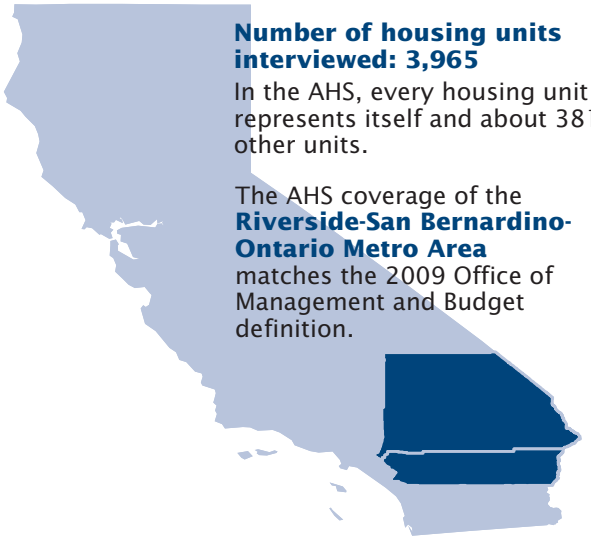
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OUR HOMES ARE MORE THAN WHERE WE LIVE

Owning or renting your own place is a milestone for many. Our homes may be investments, or sometimes financial burdens. Whether it's a gathering place for friends and family or a sanctuary where you relax, our homes are important. That is why the American Housing Survey (AHS) is a valuable survey, allowing us to learn more about the types of homes in which we live and the size and composition of the housing inventory.

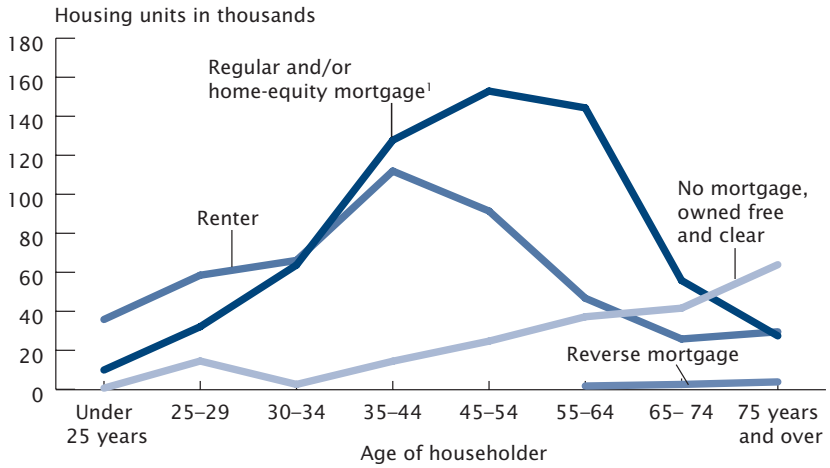


Number of housing units interviewed: 3,965

In the AHS, every housing unit represents itself and about 381 other units.

The AHS coverage of the **Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario Metro Area** matches the 2009 Office of Management and Budget definition.

WHO RENTS OR PAYS A MORTGAGE?



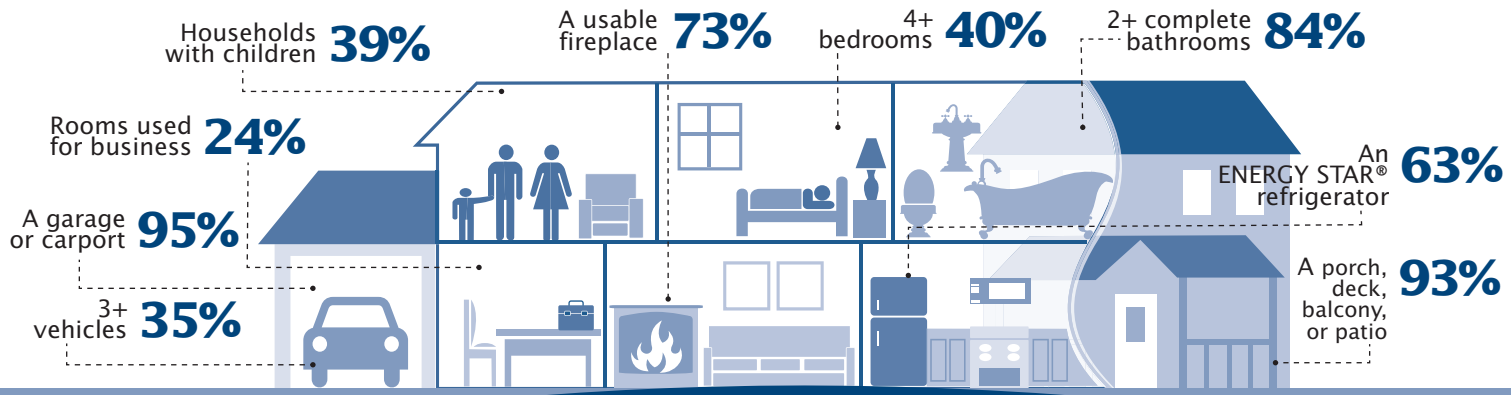
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2011 American Housing Survey.

HOUSING INVENTORY

	Number	Percent
Total Units	**1,511,800**	**100.0**
Owner-occupied units	821,300	54.3
Renter-occupied units	465,600	30.8
Vacant units	163,400	10.8
Seasonal units	61,400	4.1

OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS WITH:



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WHAT IS THE AHS?

The AHS is the most comprehensive housing survey in the United States. The same units have been interviewed since 1985, with new construction, demolitions, and conversions taken into account. National data are collected every other year and metropolitan area data are collected on a rotating basis.

People in nearly every field use information from the AHS to evaluate and study the physical and financial characteristics of the nation's housing stock. In addition to the indicators presented in Tables 1 and 2, the AHS provides data on multi-family and single-family homes, manufactured/mobile homes, equipment and appliances, characteristics of the occupants, and more.

Table 1.

Physical Characteristics—All Occupied Housing Units: 2011

Characteristics	Total	Owner-occupied	Renter-occupied
One unit, detached (percent)	72.4	87.2	46.2
Cooperative or condo (percent)	5.3	3.8	7.8
Median:			
Year built	1986	1987	1982
Square footage per unit	1,750	1,800	1,500
Percentage using:			
Well water (primary source)	1.4	1.5	1.3
Public sewer	88.1	86.0	91.8
Main house heating fuel (percent):			
Electricity	17.1	11.6	26.9
Piped gas	79.6	84.6	70.6
Other	3.3	3.8	2.5
Percentage with:			
Central air	81.5	86.5	72.7
Warm-air furnace (main heating)	82.2	87.6	72.6
Unsafe drinking water	22.5	18.2	30.1
Working carbon monoxide detectors	29.6	33.2	23.2
Separate dining room	49.2	57.7	34.3
Swimming pool	30.6	26.7	37.7
Signs of rodents in last 12 months	9.5	9.4	9.5
Mold in last 12 months	4.0	2.7	6.4
Wheelchair-accessible ramps	0.2	0.3	–
Missing roofing material[1]	4.0	4.4	3.1
Leakage from outside structure	8.7	9.8	6.7

– Represents or rounds to zero. [1] Excludes multiunit structures.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2011 American Housing Survey.

Table 2.

Financial Characteristics—Owner-Occupied Housing Units: 2011

Characteristics	Total	New construction past 4 years	Black alone	Hispanic	Elderly (65+ years)	Below poverty
Median:						
Year mortgage originated	2007	2009	2007	2006	2004	2004
Purchase price (dollars)	171,000	309,000	215,000	160,000	110,000	107,000
Home value (dollars)	200,000	250,000	190,000	160,000	190,000	110,000
Current total loan as percentage of value (percent)	96.0	113.0	114.0	97.0	64.0	104.0
Ratio of value to current income	3.1	2.4	2.7	3.1	4.6	6.9
Percentage with:						
No mortgage, owned free and clear	24.3	6.2	15.0	19.1	54.1	48.7
Regular and/or home equity mortgage[1]	74.7	94.2	85.2	80.7	42.7	49.9
Line-of-credit only	4.7	0.4	1.3	3.5	5.4	0.4
Refinanced primary mortgage	29.9	9.5	32.0	28.2	14.1	17.1
Two or more regular and/or home equity mortgages[1]	9.7	10.4	15.7	9.2	4.0	2.5
Median monthly expenditures (dollars)						
Total housing	1,440	2,655	1,812	1,440	686	795
Mortgage payment	1,356	2,300	1,596	1,298	944	858
Property insurance	63	75	58	58	58	50
Real estate taxes	163	306	150	142	106	93
Routine maintenance	29	–	25	42	25	25
Electricity	104	111	97	98	94	99
Trash removal	25	25	25	27	22	25

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SOURCE AND ACCURACY

The AHS is sponsored by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. Data presented are based on the sample of units that responded to the 2011 AHS, using weighting consistent with Census 2010. The resulting estimates are representative of the entire population. For information on sampling and estimation methods, see <www.census.gov/housing/ahs/methodology>.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit the AHS Web site for a complete set of tables, definitions, and more <www.census.gov/housing/ahs>. Additional information is available on HUD's Web site at <www.huduser.org>. Please contact us at 888-518-7365 (toll-free) or e-mail us at <ahsn@census.gov> with any inquiries about these data.