

2013 Housing Profile: Tucson, AZ

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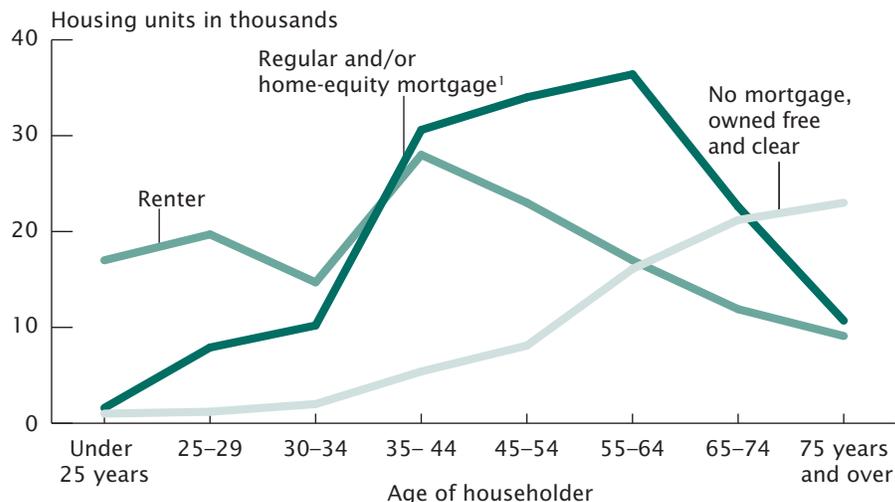
The 2013 American Housing Survey (AHS) Factsheet series provides results from the 2013 AHS for 25 selected metropolitan areas and the United States. National data are collected every other year and metropolitan area data are collected on a rotating schedule.

Number of housing units interviewed: 3,605

In the AHS, every housing unit represents itself and about 124 other units.

The AHS coverage of the **Tucson Metro Area** matches the 2009 Office of Management and Budget definition.

OWNER- AND RENTER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS BY AGE



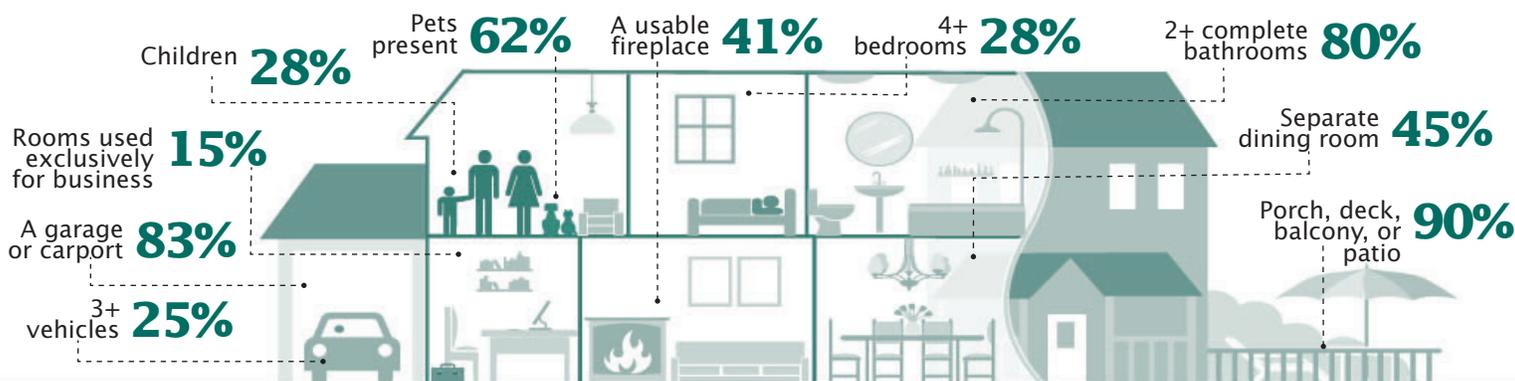
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2013 American Housing Survey.

HOUSING INVENTORY

	Number	Percent
Total Units	446,000	100.0
Owner-occupied units	232,400	52.1
Renter-occupied units	140,400	31.5
Vacant units	63,000	14.1
Seasonal units	10,200	2.3

OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS WITH:



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.

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: 2013

Characteristics	Total	Owner-occupied	Renter-occupied
Total (thousands)	372.8	232.4	140.4
One unit, detached (percent)	61.4	79.2	31.9
Newly constructed multiunits (percent) ¹	0.1	Z	0.4
Cooperative or condo (percent)	4.7	3.7	6.4
Median:			
Year built	1983	1984	1981
Square footage per unit	1,458	1,700	900
Percentage using:			
Well water (primary source)	1.2	1.5	0.8
Public sewer	89.2	85.9	94.7
Main house heating fuel (percent):			
Electricity	43.0	33.5	58.8
Piped gas	53.9	62.9	39.0
Other	2.8	3.4	1.7
Percentage with:			
Central air	81.3	83.8	77.1
Warm-air furnace (main heating)	76.3	79.4	71.2
Unsafe drinking water	15.1	12.3	19.7
Prepared emergency evacuation kit	45.1	44.8	45.8
House or building number clearly visible	75.2	77.4	71.5
Signs of mice in last 12 months	3.7	4.2	2.9
Waterfront property	Z	Z	Z
Missing roofing material ²	3.0	3.7	1.7
Leakage from outside structure	9.5	8.7	10.7

Z Rounds to zero. ¹ In past 4 years. ² Excludes multiunit structures.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2013 American Housing Survey.

Table 2.

Financial Characteristics—Owner-Occupied Housing Units: 2013

Characteristics	Total	New construction past 4 years	Black alone	Hispanic	Elderly (65+ years)	Below poverty
Median:						
Year mortgage originated	2008	2011	2008	2007	2006	2007
Purchase price (dollars)	130,000	169,161	127,000	92,000	100,000	82,000
Home value (dollars)	145,000	172,500	159,000	100,000	145,000	100,000
Current total loan as percentage of value (percent)	78.0	97.0	81.0	89.0	61.0	70.0
Ratio of value to current income	2.4	2.6	2.4	2.1	3.1	11.3
Percentage with:						
No mortgage, owned free and clear	33.5	19.2	16.7	26.7	56.7	42.9
Regular and/or home equity mortgage ¹	66.3	80.8	85.7	72.9	42.7	57.1
Line-of-credit	5.3	Z	2.4	3.9	4.9	5.5
Refinanced primary mortgage	26.1	11.5	26.2	22.8	19.1	16.1
Two or more regular and/or home equity mortgages ¹	6.7	Z	7.1	4.5	4.2	2.9
Missed or late mortgage payment(s)	3.5	3.8	11.9	5.0	1.0	4.8
Median monthly expenditures (dollars)						
Total housing	913	1,254	1,142	911	585	626
Mortgage payment	920	990	1,019	820	718	705
Property insurance	45	36	44	44	42	33
Real estate taxes	127	149	128	99	129	89
Routine maintenance	33	33	42	25	25	25
Electricity	105	124	119	107	93	96
Trash removal	22	21	40	28	20	20

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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 2013 AHS, using weighting consistent with the 2010 Census. The resulting estimates are representative of the entire population. For information on sampling and estimation methods, see <www.census.gov/programs-surveys/ahs/about/methodology.html>.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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