

Table 5.
People With Income Below Specified Ratios of Their Poverty Thresholds by Selected Characteristics: 2008

(Numbers in thousands, confidence intervals [C.I.] in thousands or percentage points as appropriate. People as of March of the following year. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see www.census.gov/apssd/techdoc/cps/cpsmar09.pdf)

Characteristic	Total	Income-to-poverty ratio											
		Under 0.50				Under 1.00				Under 1.25			
		Number	90 percent C.I. ¹ (±)	Percent	90 percent C.I. ¹ (±)	Number	90 percent C.I. ¹ (±)	Percent	90 percent C.I. ¹ (±)	Number	90 percent C.I. ¹ (±)	Percent	90 percent C.I. ¹ (±)
All people.....	301,041	17,075	479	5.7	0.2	39,829	701	13.2	0.2	53,805	792	17.9	0.3
Age													
Under 18 years	74,068	6,278	253	8.5	0.3	14,068	359	19.0	0.5	18,553	398	25.0	0.5
18 to 24 years	28,688	2,640	116	9.2	0.4	5,283	158	18.4	0.5	6,790	175	23.7	0.6
25 to 34 years	40,520	2,437	113	6.0	0.3	5,351	164	13.2	0.4	7,130	187	17.6	0.4
35 to 44 years	41,322	1,733	96	4.2	0.2	4,277	148	10.4	0.3	5,760	170	13.9	0.4
45 to 54 years	44,366	1,721	95	3.9	0.2	4,047	144	9.1	0.3	5,351	164	12.1	0.4
55 to 59 years	18,755	692	61	3.7	0.3	1,642	93	8.8	0.5	2,206	108	11.8	0.5
60 to 64 years	15,534	579	56	3.7	0.4	1,504	89	9.7	0.6	1,999	103	12.9	0.6
65 years and older	37,788	995	72	2.6	0.2	3,656	134	9.7	0.4	6,018	165	15.9	0.4
Race² and Hispanic Origin													
White	240,548	11,135	391	4.6	0.2	26,990	592	11.2	0.2	37,460	683	15.6	0.3
White, not Hispanic.....	196,940	7,286	319	3.7	0.2	17,024	479	8.6	0.2	23,903	560	12.1	0.3
Black	37,966	4,327	240	11.4	0.6	9,379	337	24.7	0.8	11,982	371	31.6	0.9
Asian	13,310	738	101	5.5	0.7	1,576	145	11.8	1.1	1,927	159	14.5	1.2
Hispanic (any race).....	47,398	4,305	237	9.1	0.5	10,987	348	23.2	0.7	14,861	382	31.4	0.8
Family Status													
In families	248,301	11,638	400	4.7	0.2	28,564	607	11.5	0.2	38,995	695	15.7	0.3
Householder	78,874	3,390	114	4.3	0.1	8,147	192	10.3	0.2	11,164	235	14.2	0.2
Related children													
under 18	72,980	5,894	246	8.1	0.3	13,507	353	18.5	0.5	17,893	393	24.5	0.5
Related children													
under 6	24,884	2,521	163	10.1	0.6	5,295	231	21.3	0.9	6,932	260	27.9	0.9
Unrelated subfamilies.....	1,207	308	66	25.5	4.7	555	89	46.0	5.4	675	98	55.9	5.4
Unrelated individuals.....	51,534	5,129	145	10.0	0.2	10,710	228	20.8	0.3	14,135	275	27.4	0.4
Male.....	25,240	2,420	95	9.6	0.3	4,759	139	18.9	0.5	6,096	160	24.2	0.5
Female.....	26,293	2,708	101	10.3	0.3	5,951	158	22.6	0.5	8,039	190	30.6	0.5

¹ A 90 percent confidence interval is a measure of an estimate's variability. The larger the confidence interval in relation to the size of the estimate, the less reliable the estimate. For more information, see "Standard Errors and Their Use" at <www.census.gov/hhes/www/p60_236sa.pdf>.

² Federal surveys now give respondents the option of reporting more than one race. Therefore, two basic ways of defining a race group are possible. A group such as Asian may be defined as those who reported Asian and no other race (the race-alone or single-race concept) or as those who reported Asian regardless of whether they also reported another race (the race-alone-or-in-combination concept). This table shows data using the first approach (race alone). The use of the single-race population does not imply that it is the preferred method of presenting or analyzing data. The Census Bureau uses a variety of approaches. Information on people who reported more than one race, such as White **and** American Indian and Alaska Native or Asian **and** Black or African American, is available from Census 2000 through American FactFinder. About 2.6 percent of people reported more than one race in Census 2000. Data for American Indians and Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians and Other Pacific Islanders, and those reporting two or more races are not shown separately.

Note: Details may not sum to totals because of rounding.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2009 Annual Social and Economic Supplement.