

ABSTRACT

New York City Housing and Vacancy Survey: 2008
[machine-readable data file]
Conducted by the Census Bureau for the
New York City Department of Housing
Preservation and Development
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Type of File:

Microdata

Universe Description:

The universe includes all housing units (except housing units in special places) in the five boroughs of the City of New York - occupied and vacant.

Subject Matter Description:

This file provides data on the characteristics of housing units, their occupants, buildings and neighborhoods for 2008. Statistics are available on household income, poverty income levels, monthly rent, rent/income ratio, monthly mortgage payments, utility costs, routine maintenance fees, and real estate taxes. Data are shown for labor force characteristics for all household members 15 years and older. Data are also presented on the condition of the building and neighborhood, the occupancy status of the unit, the year the building was built, whether the unit is owner or renter occupied, condominium or cooperative status of the building, and wheelchair accessibility. Additional data focus on number of stories, units, and rooms in the unit; the type of heating fuel, maintenance indicators such as cracks or holes in walls or floors; and the occurrences of heating equipment breakdowns.

Data for vacant units include information on the number of stories and rooms, the presence of an elevator, principal type of heating fuel, and wheelchair accessibility. In addition, data are presented on the duration of the vacancy, the occupancy status before vacancy, whether the unit is available for rent or sale, the reason the unit is not available for sale or for rent, and if for rent, the monthly asking rent.

Graphic Coverage:

New York City, its five boroughs: Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, and Staten Island; and defined sub-borough areas within each borough. See Appendix E for information regarding sub-boroughs.

Technical Description:

File Structure: Flat	2008 Records/Length
Household File	17,955/568
Person File	43,132/172
Vacant File	1,471/107

Related Printed Tabulations:

U.S. Census Bureau. Special Housing Tabulations, 2008 New York City Housing and Vacancy Survey . The tabulations are available over the internet by going to: <http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/nychvs.html>. They are also available in printed form at a cost of \$75. For information on the availability of the tabulations, contact Housing and Household Economic Statistics Division, U.S. Census Bureau, Washington, DC 20233. Phone (301) 763-3199.