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District of Columbia Easy Stats 2007-2011

ACS 2007-2011 District Profile

This report presents 'easy stats' on the District of Columbia from the American Community Survey (ACS) 2007-2011. It is the latest statistics on selected key demographic characteristics on people, housing, finance, commuting and education of the District's population by race and ethnicity.

People

Tables 1, 2, and 3

- Over 69 percent of the white population in the District was born in other states.
- Sixty percent of the District's black population was native to (born in) the District.
- Just over 60 percent of the Asian population in the District was foreign-born.
- Twenty percent of the Hispanic population residing in the District was born in the District, another 21.4 percent was born in other states, while the majority (54.3 percent) was foreign-born.
- The majority of the District population (471,994 or 80.4 percent) lived in the same house since the previous year.
- There was greater movement of people from one housing unit to another within the District (59,333), than from another state to the District (48,246).
- There were twice as many whites who moved to the District from another state during the 2007-2011 periods (28,801) than blacks (14,213).
- Over 4,500 Hispanics moved to the District from another state, while 1,417 came from abroad.
- During the 2007-2011 periods, the largest number of people who moved out of the District to another state was: whites (26,134), followed by blacks (22,218). However, while more whites moved in from other state (28,801) than moved out (26,134) of the District, more blacks moved out to other states (22,218) than moved in from other states (14,213) to the District.
- The largest percent of a specific race that moved out of the District was Asian (17.1%).
- More Hispanics moved to the District (5,991) than moved out of the District (5,470).

Table 1. Place of Birth of District of Columbia Residents

Race and Ethnicity	Total	Native: Born in other			
		Native: Born in the District (number & percent)	state in the United States (number & percent)	Native: Born outside the United States (number & percent)	Foreign born (number & percent)
White	231,122	30,648 (13.3%)	159,873 (69.2%)	5,363 (2.3%)	35,238 (15.2%)
Black or African American	308,516	185,221 (60%)	103,501 (33.5%)	2,020 (0.7%)	17,774 (5.8%)
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,779	486 (27.3%)	979 (55.0%)	60 (3.4%)	254 (14.3%)
Asian	20,773	1,394 (6.7%)	6,189 (29.8%)	616 (3.0%)	12,574 (60.5%)
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	311	46 (14.8%)	218 (70.1%)	13 (4.2%)	34 (10.9%)
Some Other Race	20,095	4,752 (23.6%)	3,167 (15.8%)	513 (2.6%)	11,663 (58.0%)
Two Or More Races	11,359	3,538 (31.1%)	5,985 (52.7%)	466 (4.1%)	1,370 (12.1%)
Total	593,955	226,085 (38.0%)	279,912 (47.1%)	9,051 (1.5%)	78,907 (13.3%)
Hispanic or Latino	53,372	10,799 (20.2%)	11,444 (21.4%)	2,136 (4.0%)	28,993 (54.3%)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.
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Table 2. Geographical Mobility in the Past Year for Current Residence: District of Columbia

Race and Ethnicity	Total	Same house 1 year ago	Moved within the District	Moved from different state	Moved from abroad
White	228,813	173,333	22,121	28,801	4,558
Black or African American	304,857	257,046	32,497	14,213	1,101
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,711	1,488	104	105	14
Asian	20,595	15,089	1,911	2,589	1,006
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	311	270	0	21	20
Some Other Race	19,762	16,645	1,426	1,209	482
Two Or More Races	10,842	8,123	1,274	1,308	137
Total	586,891	471,994	59,333	48,246	7,318
Hispanic or Latino	52,508	42,259	4,258	4,574	1,417

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.
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Table 3. Geographical Mobility in the Past Year for Residence 1 Year Ago: District of Columbia

Race and Ethnicity	Total	Same house	Moved within the District	Moved to different state	
				Number	Percent
White	221,588	173,333	22,121	26,134	11.8
Black or African American	311,761	257,046	32,497	22,218	7.1
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,775	1,488	104	183	10.3
Asian	20,511	15,089	1,911	3,511	17.1
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)
Some Other Race	20,846	16,645	1,426	2,775	13.3
Two Or More Races	10,992	8,123	1,274	1,595	14.5
Total	587,473	471,724	59,333	56,416	9.6
Hispanic or Latino	51,987	42,259	4,258	5,470	10.5

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Housing

Tables 4 and 5

- Given a majority black population in the District, there were more black households (48.7 percent) than there were white households (43.1 percent).
- White home ownership was higher than black homeownership as seen by the percentage of white owner occupied units (49.6 percent) being higher than the percentage of black owner occupied units (43.9 percent).
- The majority of black householders were renter occupied households (52.3 percent).
- More Asian households were renter occupied households as compared to other race groups (61.9 percent).
- Hispanics occupied 4.9 percent of all owner occupied households and 9 percent of all renter occupied households. Twenty-nine percent of Hispanic households were owner occupied.
- Sixty-one percent of occupied housing units in the District were multi-unit structures.
- Twenty-five percent of the occupied housing units in the District were multi-unit structures with 50 or more units each.
- There was twice as many one unit, attached units as one unit, detached units.
- The white population was more prevalent in multi-unit structures than the black population.
- Blacks and Asians were the only two races with mobile homes.
- Most Hispanics (74 percent) lived in multi-unit buildings.

Table 4. Housing Tenure: District of Columbia

Race and Ethnicity	Total Households		Owner occupied households		Renter occupied households	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	112,183	43.12	55,258	49.61	56,925	38.27
Black or African American	126,681	48.70	48,907	43.91	77,774	52.28
American Indian and Alaska Native	725	0.28	287	0.26	438	0.29
Asian	9,189	3.53	3,500	3.14	5,689	3.82
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	128	0.05	53	0.05	75	0.05
Some Other Race	6,698	2.57	1,626	1.46	5,072	3.41
Two Or More Races	4,532	1.74	1,750	1.57	2,782	1.87
Total	260,136	100.00	111,381	100.00	148,755	100.00
Hispanic or Latino	19,005	7.31	5,492	4.93	13,513	9.08

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

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Table 5. Units in Structure for Occupied Housing Units by Race or Hispanic Origin of Householder: District of Columbia

Race and Ethnicity	Total	1 unit, detached	1 unit, attached	2 units	3 or 4 units	5 to 9 units	10 to 19 units	20 to 49 units	50 or more units	Mobile home	Boat, RV, van, etc.
White	112,183	15,437	24,559	3,952	5,262	4,094	5,320	12,791	40,614	0	154
Black or African American	126,681	16,418	40,510	2,964	11,235	10,936	20,282	6,459	17,764	46	67
American Indian and Alaska Native	725	109	217	0	67	120	36	40	136	0	0
Asian	9,189	584	1,272	157	447	285	311	1,145	4,944	14	30
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	128	38	43	0	0	0	0	0	47	0	0
Some Other Race	6,698	432	1,260	166	591	267	669	1,703	1,610	0	0
Two Or More Races	4,532	559	911	147	344	167	328	457	1,577	0	42
Total	260,136	33,577	68,772	7,386	17,946	15,869	26,946	22,595	66,692	60	293
Hispanic or Latino	19,005	1,428	3,495	333	1,187	631	1,835	3,226	6,818	0	52

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

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Financial

Tables 6, 7, 8, and 9

- Seventy-five percent of white families made over \$100,000 annually compared to 20.4 percent of black families making over \$100,000 annually.
- Twenty-three percent of black families made less than \$20,000 annually.
- The majority of Asian families made more than \$100,000 annually (53.9 percent).
- Of the 9,527 Hispanic families, 29 percent made over \$100,000 annually and 11 percent made less than \$20,000 annually.
- Per capita income was highest for whites (\$71,279) and lowest for blacks (\$24,895) and Some Other Race (\$23,211).
- Asians had the third highest per capita income (\$49,173) among racial groups.
- Per capita income was just over \$30,600 for Hispanics.
- Poverty rate for the District was 18.2 percent.
- Blacks experienced the highest poverty rate at 26 percent, followed by American Indians and Alaska Natives at 21.6 percent.
- Poverty rate for Asians was 14 percent.
- Whites had the lowest poverty rate at 8.2 percent.
- For all races and ethnicity, there were more females in poverty than males.
- Over 10 percent of blacks in poverty were children under 5 years old.
- Poverty rate for Hispanics (14 percent) was below the District average of 18.2 percent. Eight percent of Hispanics in poverty were children under 5 years old.
- While black households comprised 48.7 percent of the 260,136 households District-wide, they represented 90.9 percent of the 30,363 households which received food stamp/SNAP
- Of the households receiving food stamp/SNAP, white households had the lowest percentage at 1.4 percent and Asian households at 1.7 percent.
- Nine percent of Hispanic households received food stamps/SNAP

Table 6. Family Income in the Past 12 Months (In 2011 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars): District of Columbia

Race and Ethnicity	Number of Families	Less than \$19,999	\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$199,999	\$200,000 or more
White	37,625	1,053	1,344	1,286	2,904	2,654	13,493	14,891
Black or African American	63,357	14,850	9,525	8,703	10,112	7,213	10,583	2,371
American Indian and Alaska Native	222	35	7	23	45	16	92	4
Asian	3,039	116	313	223	263	486	1,044	594
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	34	0	0	0	0	34	0	0
Some Other Race	3,849	427	1,098	773	753	178	536	84
Two Or More Races	1,388	186	96	69	165	243	381	248
Hispanic or Latino	9,527	1,075	1,922	1,431	1,688	616	1,942	853

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

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Table 7. Per Capita Income in the Past 12 Months (In 2011 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars): District of Columbia

Race and Ethnicity	Per capita income
White	\$71,279
Black or African American	\$24,895
American Indian and Alaska Native	\$39,274
Asian	\$49,173
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	\$58,146
Some Other Race	\$23,211
Two Or More Races	\$35,130
Hispanic or Latino	\$30,611

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

Table 8. Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months by Sex by Age: District of Columbia

Race and Ethnicity	Population for whom poverty is determined	Number in Poverty	Poverty Rate	Income in the past 12 months below the poverty level					
				Number in Poverty					
				Male	Female	Under 5 years	5 to 64 years	65 to 74 years	75 years and older
Total									
White	212,453	17,495	8.2%	8,244	9,251	334	16,054	430	677
Black or African American	296,417	76,955	26.0%	32,694	44,261	7,935	61,645	3,842	3,533
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,711	370	21.6%	140	230	24	301	45	0
Asian	19,143	2,671	14.0%	1,160	1,511	0	2,467	72	132
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	281	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0	0
Some Other Race	19,794	3,029	15.3%	1,354	1,675	323	2,415	81	210
Two Or More Races	10,961	1,313	12.0%	588	725	56	1,101	90	66
Total	560,760	101,833	18.2%	44,180	57,653	8,672	83,983	4,560	4,618
Hispanic or Latino	51,852	7,268	14.0%	3,459	3,809	588	5,959	272	449

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.
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Table 9. Receipt of Food Stamps/SNAP in the Past 12 Months by Race or Hispanic Origin of Householder: District of Columbia

Race and Ethnicity	Household received Food Stamps/SNAP		
	Total	SNAP	Percent
White	112,183	1,565	1.4%
Black or African American	126,681	27,589	21.8%
American Indian and Alaska Native	725	43	5.9%
Asian	9,189	154	1.7%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	128	0	0.0%
Some Other Race	6,698	717	10.7%
Two Or More Races	4,532	295	6.5%
Total	260,136	30,363	11.7%
Hispanic or Latino	19,005	1,719	9.0%

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Commuting

Tables 10 and 11

- Over 37.5 percent of District residents used public transportation to commute to work.
- Of the 35,622 people who walked to work, 25,564 or 71.8 percent was white, 15.9 percent black, 7 percent Asian and 5 percent all other races.
- About 5 percent of District residents worked at home.
- Forty-five percent (13,005 people) of Hispanics used public transportation to commute to work.
- Of all people who worked in the District, the majority drove to work - 43.5 percent drove to work alone and 10.8 percent carpooled
- Public transportation was the second choice for commuters employed in the District (36.8 percent).
- A higher percentage of Hispanics (16.4 percent) carpooled as compared to the District-wide average (10.8 percent).

Table 10. Means of Transportation to Work: District of Columbia

Race and Ethnicity	Total	Drove Alone	Carpooled	Public Transportation		Taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle, or other means	Worked at home
				Public Transportation	Walked		
White	150,485	46,849	8,195	52,811	25,564	7,661	9,405
Black or African American	117,322	50,438	8,807	46,935	5,663	1,873	3,606
American Indian and Alaska Native	839	324	35	326	66	39	49
Asian	13,295	3,590	902	4,753	2,484	731	835
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	168	30	9	115	14	0	0
Some Other Race	9,943	3,004	899	4,434	984	373	249
Two Or More Races	5,678	1,439	372	2,410	847	381	229
Total Number	297,730	105,674	19,219	111,784	35,622	11,058	14,373
Percent of Total		35.5%	6.5%	37.5%	12.0%	3.7%	4.8%

Hispanic or Latino 29,020 7,495 2,381 13,005 3,834 1,148 1,157

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

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Table 11. Means of Transportation to Work for Workplace Geography: District of Columbia

Race and Ethnicity	Total	Drove Alone	Carpooled	Public Transportation		Taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle, or other means	Worked at home
				Public Transportation	Walked		
White	404,979	167,620	43,218	146,212	26,052	12,472	9,405
Black or African American	264,425	127,794	25,090	99,565	5,594	2,776	3,606
American Indian and Alaska Native	2,068	1,005	196	682	83	53	49
Asian	55,317	21,497	8,100	21,075	2,539	1,271	835
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)
Some Other Race	30,793	11,887	5,736	11,418	988	515	249
Two Or More Races	15,864	6,687	1,520	5,883	978	567	229
Total Number	773,446	336,490	83,860	284,835	36,234	17,654	14,373
Percent of Total		43.5%	10.8%	36.8%	4.7%	2.3%	1.9%

Hispanic or Latino 76,928 29,133 12,628 29,039 3,554 1,417 1,157

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

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Education

Table 12

- Over 50 percent of the District's population had a bachelor's degree or higher
- Eighty-three percent of whites had a bachelor's degree or higher as compared to 22.5 percent of blacks.
- Seventy-nine percent of Asian had a bachelor's degree or higher.
- Thirteen percent of the District's population 25 years and over had less than a high school diploma.
- Thirty-six percent of the Hispanic population 25 years and over had a bachelor's degree or higher, and 37.5 percent had less than a high school diploma.

Table 12. Sex by Educational Attainment for the Population 25 Years and Over: District of Columbia

Race and Ethnicity	Population 25 years and over	Less than high school diploma		High school graduate, GED, or alternative		Some college or associate's degree		Bachelor's degree or higher	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	168,227	8,247	4.9%	6,782	4.0%	13,734	8.2%	139,464	82.9%
Black or African American	204,213	37,792	18.5%	68,416	33.5%	51,966	25.4%	46,039	22.5%
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,294	137	10.6%	181	14.0%	243	18.8%	733	56.6%
Asian	14,820	1,143	7.7%	1,073	7.2%	903	6.1%	11,701	79.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	236	0	0.0%	12	5.1%	15	6.4%	209	88.6%
Some Other Race	11,942	4,919	41.2%	2,203	18.4%	1,574	13.2%	3,246	27.2%
Two Or More Races	6,844	267	3.9%	880	12.9%	1,438	21.0%	4,259	62.2%
Total	407,576	52,505	12.9%	79,547	19.5%	69,873	17.0%	205,651	50.5%
Hispanic or Latino	33,686	12,634	37.5%	4,519	13.4%	4,385	13.0%	12,148	36.1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

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