

Table 2.

## Selected Characteristics of the American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) Population— Alone, In Combination With Non-AIAN Races, and Total: 2000

(Data based on sample or information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see [www.census.gov/prod/cen2000/doc/sf4.pdf](http://www.census.gov/prod/cen2000/doc/sf4.pdf))

Characteristic	Number			Percent		
	Alone	In combination	Total	Alone	In combination	Total
<b>Total American Indian and Alaska Native</b> . . . . .	<b>2,447,989</b>	<b>1,867,876</b>	<b>4,315,865</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>AGE</b>						
Under 18 years . . . . .	814,290	588,994	1,403,284	33.3	31.5	32.5
18 to 64 years . . . . .	1,496,113	1,151,802	2,647,915	61.1	61.7	61.4
65 years and over . . . . .	137,586	127,080	264,666	5.6	6.8	6.1
Median age (years) . . . . .	28.5	30.7	29.4	(X)	(X)	(X)
<b>HOUSEHOLD TYPE</b>						
<b>Households with an American Indian and Alaska Native householder</b> . . . . .						
Family households . . . . .	<b>770,334</b>	<b>649,870</b>	<b>1,420,204</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Married couple . . . . .	563,651	433,997	997,648	73.2	66.8	70.2
Female householder, no spouse present . . . . .	346,536	286,224	632,760	45.0	44.0	44.6
Male householder, no spouse present . . . . .	159,486	110,811	270,297	20.7	17.1	19.0
Nonfamily households . . . . .	57,629	36,962	94,591	7.5	5.7	6.7
Nonfamily households . . . . .	206,683	215,873	422,556	26.8	33.2	29.8
<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ENGLISH-SPEAKING ABILITY</b>						
<b>Population 5 years and over</b> . . . . .						
Only English at home . . . . .	<b>2,243,344</b>	<b>1,712,591</b>	<b>3,955,935</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Non-English at home, English spoken "very well" . . . . .	1,611,831	1,461,452	3,073,283	71.8	85.3	77.7
Non-English at home, English spoken less than "very well" . . . . .	399,731	156,402	556,133	17.8	9.1	14.1
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<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>						
<b>Population 25 years and over</b> . . . . .						
Less than high school graduate . . . . .	<b>1,350,998</b>	<b>1,077,581</b>	<b>2,428,579</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
High school graduate . . . . .	392,920	222,203	615,123	29.1	20.6	25.3
Some college or associate's degree . . . . .	395,041	283,901	678,942	29.2	26.3	28.0
Bachelor's degree or more . . . . .	407,968	379,365	787,333	30.2	35.2	32.4
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<b>LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION</b>						
<b>Men 16 years and over</b> . . . . .						
In labor force . . . . .	<b>846,909</b>	<b>644,242</b>	<b>1,491,151</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
In labor force . . . . .	555,757	458,834	1,014,591	65.6	71.2	68.0
<b>Women 16 years and over</b> . . . . .						
In labor force . . . . .	<b>878,412</b>	<b>699,980</b>	<b>1,578,392</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
In labor force . . . . .	499,011	420,982	919,993	56.8	60.1	58.3
<b>OCCUPATION</b>						
<b>Employed civilian population 16 years and over</b> . . . . .						
Management, professional, and related occupations . . . . .	<b>914,484</b>	<b>795,221</b>	<b>1,709,705</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Service occupations . . . . .	222,142	221,341	443,483	24.3	27.8	25.9
Sales and office occupations . . . . .	188,678	148,171	336,849	20.6	18.6	19.7
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations . . . . .	219,461	206,134	425,595	24.0	25.9	24.9
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations . . . . .	12,327	7,090	19,417	1.3	0.9	1.1
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations . . . . .	118,273	88,981	207,254	12.9	11.2	12.1
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<b>EARNINGS AND INCOME (in 1999)</b>						
Median earnings (dollars) for males <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	<b>914,484</b>	<b>795,221</b>	<b>1,709,705</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Median earnings (dollars) for females <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	28,919	31,611	30,376	(X)	(X)	(X)
Median earnings (dollars) for females <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	22,834	25,153	23,884	(X)	(X)	(X)
<b>POVERTY (in 1999)</b>						
<b>Individuals for whom poverty status was determined<sup>2</sup></b> . . . . .						
Individuals below the poverty level . . . . .	<b>2,367,505</b>	<b>1,820,250</b>	<b>4,187,755</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Individuals below the poverty level . . . . .	607,734	312,726	920,460	25.7	17.2	22.0
<b>HOMEOWNERSHIP</b>						
<b>Occupied housing units</b> . . . . .						
Owner-occupied . . . . .	<b>765,474</b>	<b>643,276</b>	<b>1,408,750</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Owner-occupied . . . . .	426,340	348,933	775,273	55.7	54.2	55.0

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Based on full-time, year-round workers.

<sup>2</sup> Poverty status was determined for everyone except individuals in institutions, military group quarters, college dormitories, and individuals under age 15 unrelated to the householder.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 Summary File 4.