

Fast Facts: Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders

POPULATIONⁱ

U.S. Population (July 1, 2006)	299,398,484
Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in U.S. Population:	14,907,198
Percentage of U.S. Population:	5.0%

INCOMEⁱⁱ

Median U.S. Household Income:	\$46,326
Median Household Income for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders:	\$61,094

POVERTYⁱⁱⁱ

U.S. Poverty Rate:	12.6%
Poverty Rate Among Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders:	11.1%
U.S. Child Poverty Rate:	17.6%
Child Poverty Rate Among Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders:	11.1%

LABOR FORCE^{iv}

Percentage of the labor force who are Asian American or Pacific Islanders:	4.4%
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UNION MEMBERSHIP^v

Percentage of union members who are Asian American or Pacific Islanders:	3.9%
Union pay advantage for Asian American and Pacific Islanders:	7.8%

UNINSURED^{vi}

Percentage of U.S. population without health insurance:	15.3%
Percentage of Asian American and Pacific Islanders without health insurance:	17.2%
Percentage of U.S. children without health insurance:	10.9%
Percentage of Asian American and Pacific Islanders children without health insurance:	11.8%

HOME OWNERSHIP^{vii}

Percentage of U.S. population who are homeowners:	68.8%
Percentage of Asian Americans who are homeowners:	60.8%

EDUCATION^{viii}

Percentage of the U.S. population 25 and older who are high school graduates:	85.5%
Percentage of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders 25 and older who are high school graduates:	87.4%
Percentage of the U.S. population 25 and older who are college graduates:	28.0%
Percentage of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders 25 and older who are college graduates:	49.7%

RETIREMENT^{ix}

Percentage of U.S. population 65 and over with income who receive a pension:	31.5%*
Percentage of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the U.S. 65 and over with income who receive a pension:	24.9%
Percentage of Asian American and Pacific Islanders 65 and over who receive Social Security and rely on Social Security for 90 percent or more of their income:	50%*

* among nonmarried people

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- ⁱ U.S. Census Bureau, Table 3: Annual Estimates of the Population by Sex, Race, and Hispanic or Latino Origin for the United States: April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2006 (NC-EST2006-03), <http://www.census.gov/popest/national/asrh/NC-EST2006/NC-EST2006-03.xls>
- ⁱⁱ U.S. Census Bureau, *Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2005*, Table 1. Income and Earnings Summary Measures by Selected Characteristics: 2004 and 2005, <http://www.census.gov/prod/2006pubs/p60-231.pdf>
- ⁱⁱⁱ U.S. Census Bureau, POV01, Age and Sex of All People, Family Members, and Unrelated Individuals Iterated by Income to Poverty Ratio and Race, <http://pubdb3.census.gov/macro/032006/pov/toc.htm>
- ^{iv} Bureau of Labor Statistics, Table 4. *Employment status of the Hispanic or Latino population by age and sex*, <http://www.bls.gov/cps/cpsaat4.pdf>; Table 5. *Employment status of the civilian noninstitutional population by sex, age, and race*, <http://www.bls.gov/cps/cpsaat5.pdf>
- ^v Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Union Members in 2006*, <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/union2.pdf>
- ^{vi} U.S. Census Bureau, Table HI01. *Health Insurance Coverage Status and Type of Coverage by Selected Characteristics: 2005*, http://pubdb3.census.gov/macro/032006/health/h01_000.htm
- ^{vii} U.S. Census Bureau, *Housing Vacancies and Homeownership (CPS/HVS), Annual Statistics: 2006*, <http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/housing/hvs/annual06/ann06t20.html>; also <http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/housing/hvs/annual06/ann06t15.html> The home ownership rate for women is actually the rate for female headed family households with no husband present. The ownership rate for women living in one person households was 59.8 percent.
- ^{viii} U.S. Census Bureau, *Educational Attainment in the United States: 2006*, Table 1a. Percent of High School and College Graduates of the Population 15 Years and Over, by Age, Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin: 2006, <http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/education/cps2006.html>
- ^{ix} Social Security Administration, *Income of the Population 55 and Older, 2004*, http://www.socialsecurity.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/income_pop55/2004/sect06b.pdf; U.S. Census Bureau, PINC-08. Source of Income in 2005 – People 15 Years Old and Over, By Income of Specified Type in 2005, Age, Race, Hispanic Origin, and Sex, http://pubdb3.census.gov/macro/032006/perinc/new08_000.htm; Social Security Administration, *Social Security Is Important to Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders*, <http://www.ssa.gov/pressoffice/factsheets/asian-alt.pdf> ;
- ^x Social Security Administration, *Social Security Is Important to Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders*, <http://www.ssa.gov/pressoffice/factsheets/asian-alt.pdf>