

## Fast Facts: Latinos

### POPULATION<sup>i</sup>

U.S. Population (July 1, 2006)	299,398,484
Latinos in U.S. Population:	44,321,038
Percentage of U.S. Population:	14.8%

### INCOME<sup>ii</sup>

Median U.S. Household Income:	\$46,326
Median Household Income for Latinos in the U.S.:	\$35,967

### POVERTY<sup>iii</sup>

U.S. Poverty Rate:	12.6%
Poverty Rate Among Latinos in the U.S.:	21.8%
U.S. Child Poverty Rate:	17.6%
Child Poverty Rate Among Latinos in the U.S.:	28.3%

### LABOR FORCE<sup>iv</sup>

Percentage of the U.S. labor force who are Latino:	13.7%
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### UNION MEMBERSHIP<sup>v</sup>

Percentage of union members who are Latinos:	11.5%
Union pay advantage for Latinos:	46.3%

### UNINSURED<sup>vi</sup>

Percentage of U.S. population without health insurance:	15.3%
Percentage of Latinos in the U.S. without health insurance:	32.3%
Percentage of U.S. children without health insurance:	10.9%
Percentage of Latino children without health insurance:	21.5%

### HOME OWNERSHIP<sup>vii</sup>

Percentage of U.S. population who are homeowners:	68.8%
Percentage of Latinos in the U.S. who are homeowners:	49.7%

### EDUCATION<sup>viii</sup>

Percentage of the U.S. population 25 and older who are high school graduates:	85.5%
Percentage of Latinos in the U.S. 25 and older who are high school graduates:	59.3%
Percentage of the U.S. population 25 and older who are college graduates:	28.0%
Percentage of Latinos in the U.S. 25 and older who are college graduates:	12.4%

### RETIREMENT<sup>ix</sup>

Percentage of U.S. population 65 and over and receiving Social Security who rely on Social Security for half or more of their income:	74%*
Percentage of Latinos in the U.S. 65 and over and receiving Social Security who rely on Social Security for half or more of their income:	78%*
Percentage of U.S. population 65 and over with income who receive a pension:	31.5%*
Percentage of Latinos in the U.S. 65 and over with income who receive a pension:	15.9%

\* among nonmarried people

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<sup>i</sup> 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>

<sup>ii</sup> 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>

<sup>iii</sup> 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>

<sup>iv</sup> 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>

<sup>v</sup> Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Union Members in 2006*, <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/union2.pdf>

<sup>vi</sup> 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](http://pubdb3.census.gov/macro/032006/health/h01_000.htm)

<sup>vii</sup> 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.

<sup>viii</sup> 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>

<sup>ix</sup> Social Security Administration, *Income of the Population 55 and Older, 2004*,

[http://www.socialsecurity.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/income\\_pop55/2004/sect06b.pdf](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](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> ;