

COMMUNITY DATA compiled by the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond

MERCER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

2008

	County	State
DEMOGRAPHICS		
Total Population	61,257	1,810,358
18 years and over	48,194	1,423,470
65 years and over	10,610	280,993
Median age	41.4	40.5
Hispanic or Latino	370	19,179
Not Hispanic or Latino	60,887	1,791,179
White alone	56,331	1,694,186
Black alone	3,536	60,886
American Indian & Alaska Native alone	72	2,787
Asian alone	419	10,753
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	18	331
Foreign born	515	23,056
Language other than English	N/A	38,943
HOUSEHOLD STRUCTURE		
Total households	25,383	742,527
Female householder, no husband present, family	2,871	80,353
With own children under 18 years	1,569	44,138
Householder living alone	8,112	211,352
65 years and over	3,196	85,037
Average household size	2.39	2.38
HOUSING		
Total housing units	30,112	882,169
Occupied housing units	25,383	742,527
Vacant housing units	4,729	139,642
Owner-occupied housing Units	18,736	552,688
Renter-occupied housing Units	6,647	189,839
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.8	2.2
Rental vacancy rate	5.3	7.5
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 years and over	43,392	1,261,678
Less than 9th grade	5,025	87,480
Percent high school graduate or higher	77.1%	81.5%
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	17.5%	17.0%
Percent graduate or professional degree	6.3%	6.6%
INCOME		
Median household income (dollars)	30,765	37,870
Per capita income (dollars)	18,375	21,007
Percent all people whose income in the past 12 months is below the poverty level	23.9%	17.2%
Percent 18 years and over whose income in the past 12 months is below the poverty level	21.5%	15.4%
Percent 65 years and over whose income in the past 12 months is below the poverty level	12.3%	10.4%

Note: N/A - Data for this geographic area cannot be displayed because the number of sample cases is too small or not available.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2008 American Community Survey

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