

Notes from the December 14, 2010 American Community Survey (ACS) data release by the U.S. Census Bureau

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General Information

These data are the first since Census 2000 for areas that have less than 20,000 persons. In order to release accurate information for less populated areas, the Census Bureau combines survey interviews together from five consecutive years, in this case from 2005 to 2009. Areas having 65,000+ persons receive annual ACS information and those with between 20,000 and 65,000 people have had ACS data released previously but will also have this aggregated 2005-2009 five-year information. Multi-year data is provided for larger areas so that “apples to apples” comparisons can be made with smaller areas, with the added benefit that the longer timeframe that has more survey completions reduces the likelihood of sampling error in the data. Our office will rely on the multi-year ACS information in most cases, especially when a population subgroup is involved (e.g. a certain racial group or specific age group).

The ACS is the Census Bureau’s new approach to providing timely information that decision makers can benefit from. It replaces the sample survey portion of the decennial census, so Census 2010 was mainly a headcount for apportionment purposes. The ACS is sent to a sample of about one in 40 households annually, and covers the same key information and subject areas as the long form from Census 2000. ACS data will be updated annually; for multiyear estimates, a rolling basis will be used where the oldest data will be replaced by the most current year (next year 2006-2010 data will be released). The 2005-2009 data can be thought of as centered around calendar year 2007.

The information compiled here is for commonly used statistics including median household income, poverty rates, educational attainment, and residents born outside the U.S. (foreign born). The analysis will focus at the county level to attain statewide coverage, although smaller geographies such as cities/towns and zip codes have data available as well. The summary will include rankings of the current data as well as analyzing how items have changed since similar data was last released as part of the 2000 Census.

Data Summary and Highlights

The notes or highlights found while organizing and analyzing the data follow in no particular order below. Keep in mind that small differences should be viewed with caution as they may fall within the margin of error (MOE) of the survey (difference that might stem from random chance and the specific households that were surveyed). The ACS lists the MOE at the 90% confidence level; Census 2000 did not state the MOE on each variable due to the high 1 in 6 sampling rate, but a MOE exists on all Census 2000 long form data nonetheless.

Comparing Nebraska County Data

The ranking tables on the following pages summarize information at the county level in Nebraska. All of Nebraska's 93 counties have 2005-2009 aggregated ACS data released. This section compares key variables at the county level. The county level was chosen for analysis given the complete statewide coverage and since as a relatively large geography, counties have relatively smaller margins of error associated with their data. Even so, the 2005-2009 values and changes since 2000 can have wild swings that may reflect sampling error – how the value would change if a different sample had been selected.

1. Nebraska counties that contain a meat processing facility continue to have the highest percentage of foreign born residents. Colfax, Dakota, Dawson, Hall, and Saline Counties each had more than 10 percent of their total population born outside the United States. Several of the counties in the top 10 regarding percent foreign born were also in the top 10 for their percentage point increase in foreign born residents since 2000. Conversely, many Nebraska counties have only a tiny proportion of foreign born residents, with 36 counties having less than 1 percent of their total population being foreign born. Many of these counties are located in the central part of the state or along the southern boarder with Kansas.

2. Nebraska's largest counties continue to have the highest proportion of their residents having received a Bachelor's Degree or more education. Lancaster, Sarpy, and Douglas Counties top this list and along with Buffalo and Dawes Counties each have more than 30 percent of those aged 25 and older having attained at least a Bachelor's Degree. Parts of the state with relatively high educational attainment include metropolitan counties and perhaps surprisingly, those in the northwestern part of the state. The northeastern and north central parts of the state have relatively low levels of Bachelor's Degrees – Wayne County is the only county in this area to have more than 20 percent of those aged 25 or older having received Bachelor's Degrees.

3. Nearly 20 percent of the state's counties (18 of 93) had a poverty rate between 2005 and 2009 that was at 15 percent or higher. Higher levels of poverty tended to be concentrated along the southern border with Kansas, in northwestern counties, and in pockets in the central, north central, and northeastern parts of the state. Several counties within the Omaha metropolitan areas were among the 10 lowest county poverty rates: Washington, Cass, Sarpy, and Saunders – each with a rate below 7 percent. Sizeable shifts in poverty rates, both increases and decreases, are apparent in the data (possibly suggesting a high degree of variability within the population sampled both in the 2005-09 ACS and Census 2000).

4. Metropolitan counties dominate the top 10 list of counties with the highest median household incomes. Seven of the top 10 counties reside in metro areas, with Sarpy, Cass, Washington, Saunders, and Seward Counties leading the way, each with a median income above \$54,800. These counties are similar in that they rely on employment in the core metro counties of Lancaster and Douglas, where the cities of Lincoln and Omaha are located. Lancaster and Douglas Counties rank 7th and 8th on the list, each with a median household income of about \$50,200. Incomes are relatively high in the northeast part of the state and along Interstate 80, while they are relatively low in the north central and northwestern areas as well as along the southern border with Kansas (none of these boarder counties has a median income above \$42,000).

5. Driven by higher incomes, median home prices are also higher in eastern parts of the state. Buffalo County is the only county in the top 10 that is not in eastern Nebraska. Sixteen Nebraska counties have a median home value for owner-occupied units that is greater than \$100,000. Conversely, in 15 counties the median home value is less than \$60,000. Counties along the southern border with Kansas and in the north central part of the state tend to have lower home values.

Real median home values in Nebraska only increased 7 percent since 2000, the 4th lowest change among all states. Nebraska's median home value in the 2005-2009 period was just below \$120,000 at \$119,700. The state's median household income was right at \$48,000 meaning that the median home price was about 2.5 times the median household income. Iowa, Kansas, and Nebraska all had similar values that reflected high home affordability compared to states like Hawaii and California where median home prices were about 8 times the median household income. Nebraska also had the second lowest increase in the median home value to median income ratio, reflecting the fact that home prices neither rose rapidly nor became out of line with income levels, which helped the state avoid the housing meltdown that many other states witnessed.

6. Within Nebraska, more populated counties tended to have higher ratios of median home value to median income. Six of the top 10 on this ranking were relatively highly populated counties. However, even the highest ratios were still well below 3.00, with Lancaster County's median home value being 2.86 times the median income. Only 39 of the states counties had a median home value that was more than two times the median income.

General notes on Geography and the Margin of Error (MOE)

In this analysis, we focused on the county level since the entire state had data released and since it tends to be a larger or large enough geography to have relatively small levels of error. Data for cities is available, but realize that it will have to be used with more caution as since as a smaller geography than the county in which it resides, it will have fewer survey completions over which to base the data and that increases the possibility for sampling error. Subsequently its MOE will be larger than for the same statistic at the county level in all likelihood. Conversely, if you go to a larger geography, say the metropolitan or micropolitan areas where information for more than one county is compiled, the MOEs will be smaller. Here's an example to illustrate:

2005-09 Median Household Income in 2009\$:

City of Blair: \$56,422 with MOE +/- \$4,503
Washington County: \$60,870 with MOE +/- \$1,729

Larger values tend to have larger MOEs but here as values increase as the geography gets larger, MOEs go down since the value is from those larger geographies with more completed surveys over the timeframe. MOEs will also be reduced by the longer multi-year timeframes versus annual ACS data, so our office plans to use the multi-year ACS data in most cases even when annual ACS data is available. If MOEs seem large, make your geography bigger or your timeframe longer if possible. All data/conclusions should be used with caution given they're from a sample.

Top 10 and Bottom 10 Nebraska Counties for Various Statistics: 2005-2009 timeframe

Source: 2005-2009 American Community Survey (aggregate), U.S. Census Bureau

Foreign Born		Bachelor's Degree or more		Poverty of Individuals				
Rank	County	Percent	Rank	County	Percent			
1	Colfax	21.2	1	Lancaster	35.0	1	Dawes	27.4
2	Dakota	17.7	2	Sarpy	34.9	2	Thurston	26.9
3	Dawson	17.1	3	Douglas	34.7	3	Keya Paha	19.7
4	Hall	11.5	4	Buffalo	32.2	4	Brown	19.5
5	Saline	10.6	5	Dawes	30.9	5	Grant	18.6
6	Douglas	7.9	6	Washington	28.8	6	Nuckolls	18.4
7	Cuming	7.4	7	Seward	26.6	7	Banner	17.5
8	Madison	7.2	8	Cheyenne	26.2	8	Franklin	16.4
9	Johnson	6.7	9	Wayne	26.0	9	Scotts Bluff	16.1
10	Hayes	6.6	10	Sioux	25.5	10	Sheridan, Valley	15.8
84	Grant	0.2	83	Greeley, Hitchcock	13.1	84	Boone	7.4
84	Harlan	0.2	85	Boyd	12.8	85	Merrick	7.3
84	Jefferson	0.2	86	Nance	12.6	86	Hamilton	7.2
84	Nance	0.2	87	Howard	12.3	87	Saunders	6.8
88	Greeley	0.1	88	Stanton	12.1	88	Sarpy	6.0
89	Blaine	0.0	88	Thurston	12.1	89	Cass	5.1
89	Boyd	0.0	88	Webster	12.1	90	Arthur	4.9
89	Hooker	0.0	91	Loup	11.1	90	Logan	4.9
89	Logan	0.0	92	Keya Paha	10.8	92	Washington	4.7
89	Thomas	0.0	93	Colfax	10.2	93	Perkins	4.2
		Change since			Change since			Change since
Rank	County	2000 (pp)	Rank	County	2000 (pp)	Rank	County	2000 (pp)
1	Hayes	4.6	1	Logan	10.9	1	Grant	8.9
2	Saline	4.6	2	Hooker	9.6	2	Dawes	8.5
3	Cuming	3.6	3	Cheyenne	9.4	3	Brown	8.4
4	Phelps	3.3	4	Dundy	8.7	4	Nuckolls	7.2
5	Hall	3.2	5	Garden	8.2	5	Deuel	4.7
6	Colfax	3.0	6	Blaine	7.5	6	Webster	4.5
7	Cheyenne	2.6	7	Hayes	7.1	7	Stanton	4.3
8	Johnson	2.4	8	Rock	7.0	8	Thayer	4.3
9	Platte	2.2	9	Box Butte	6.3	9	Dawson	4.2
10	Keith	2.2	10	Saunders	6.3	10	Otoe	4.1
84	Nance	-0.6	84	Chase	-1.1	84	Boyd	-6.1
85	Dundy	-0.6	85	Colfax	-1.3	85	Loup	-6.8
86	Merrick	-0.7	86	Brown	-1.4	86	Keya Paha	-7.2
87	Grant	-0.9	87	Stanton	-1.6	87	Rock	-8.1
88	Scotts Bluff	-1.0	88	Webster	-1.6	88	McPherson	-8.5
89	Perkins	-1.0	89	Howard	-1.9	89	Arthur	-8.9
90	Seward	-1.3	90	Wayne	-2.0	90	Perkins	-9.4
91	Morrill	-1.4	91	Loup	-2.2	91	Hayes	-10.5
92	Thomas	-1.6	92	Keya Paha	-4.9	92	Blaine	-11.8
93	Box Butte	-1.7	93	Grant	-6.7	93	Wheeler	-12.4

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Median Household Income (MHI)		Median Housing Value (MHV)		Ratio of MHV to MHI				
Rank	County	Value (\$)	Rank	County	Value (\$)	Rank	County	Ratio
1	Sarpy	65,189	1	Washington	164,600	1	Banner	2.86
2	Cass	62,527	2	Sarpy	151,500	2	Lancaster	2.86
3	Washington	60,870	3	Lancaster	143,400	3	Dawes	2.79
4	Saunders	56,495	4	Cass	142,200	4	Douglas	2.72
5	Seward	54,872	5	Douglas	136,500	5	Washington	2.70
6	McPherson	50,833	6	Saunders	133,200	6	Buffalo	2.63
7	Lancaster	50,217	7	Seward	130,500	7	Loup	2.57
8	Douglas	50,107	8	Buffalo	121,800	8	Scotts Bluff	2.49
9	Kearney	49,894	9	Dodge	111,800	9	Dodge	2.49
10	Hamilton	49,618	10	Otoe	109,800	10	Sioux	2.41
84	Valley	34,211	84	Brown	55,100	84	Webster	1.51
85	Keya Paha	34,038	85	Sherman	52,700	85	Franklin	1.44
86	Garden	33,692	86	Pawnee	52,600	86	Sherman	1.43
87	Boyd	33,060	87	Nuckolls	52,300	87	Wheeler	1.41
88	Banner	32,833	88	Furnas	52,000	88	Hitchcock	1.40
89	Nuckolls	32,076	89	Franklin	50,900	89	Furnas	1.35
90	Loup	31,364	90	Hitchcock	50,800	90	Boyd	1.34
91	Dawes	31,052	91	Greeley	46,200	91	Pawnee	1.27
92	Sheridan	31,003	92	Boyd	44,300	92	Greeley	1.20
93	Brown	26,676	93	Grant	42,700	93	Grant	1.15
		Percent change			Percent change			Change since
Rank	County	since 2000	Rank	County	since 2000	Rank	County	2000
1	McPherson	53.4	1	Blaine	65.3	1	Dawes	0.83
2	Arthur	27.0	2	Arthur	55.2	2	Loup	0.80
3	Wheeler	24.6	3	Sioux	41.8	3	Banner	0.73
4	Thomas	16.7	4	Dundy	39.7	4	Jefferson	0.58
5	Hayes	14.9	5	Thomas	39.3	5	Blaine	0.55
6	Sioux	12.7	6	Hayes	38.6	6	Sioux	0.50
7	Pierce	12.2	7	Loup	34.9	7	Kimball	0.44
8	Thurston	11.8	8	McPherson	34.0	8	Garfield	0.43
9	Pawnee	11.1	9	Keya Paha	32.3	9	Douglas	0.42
10	Dundy	10.3	10	Jefferson	31.7	10	Arthur	0.40
84	Chase	-10.7	84	Stanton	-5.1	84	Sherman	-0.14
85	Dakota	-10.9	85	York	-5.2	85	Howard	-0.16
86	Box Butte	-11.2	86	Frontier	-6.9	86	Merrick	-0.17
87	Dawson	-12.2	87	Merrick	-6.9	87	Wheeler	-0.19
88	Nuckolls	-14.0	88	Thurston	-7.2	88	Boone	-0.21
89	Grant	-17.5	89	Sherman	-9.0	89	Greeley	-0.22
90	Dawes	-18.2	90	Brown	-10.1	90	Pierce	-0.22
91	Sheridan	-18.3	91	Phelps	-10.3	91	McPherson	-0.22
92	Banner	-18.6	92	Greeley	-10.9	92	Logan	-0.25
93	Brown	-26.9	93	Logan	-13.0	93	Thurston	-0.32

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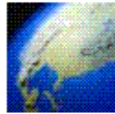
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M0501. Percent of People Who Are Foreign Born

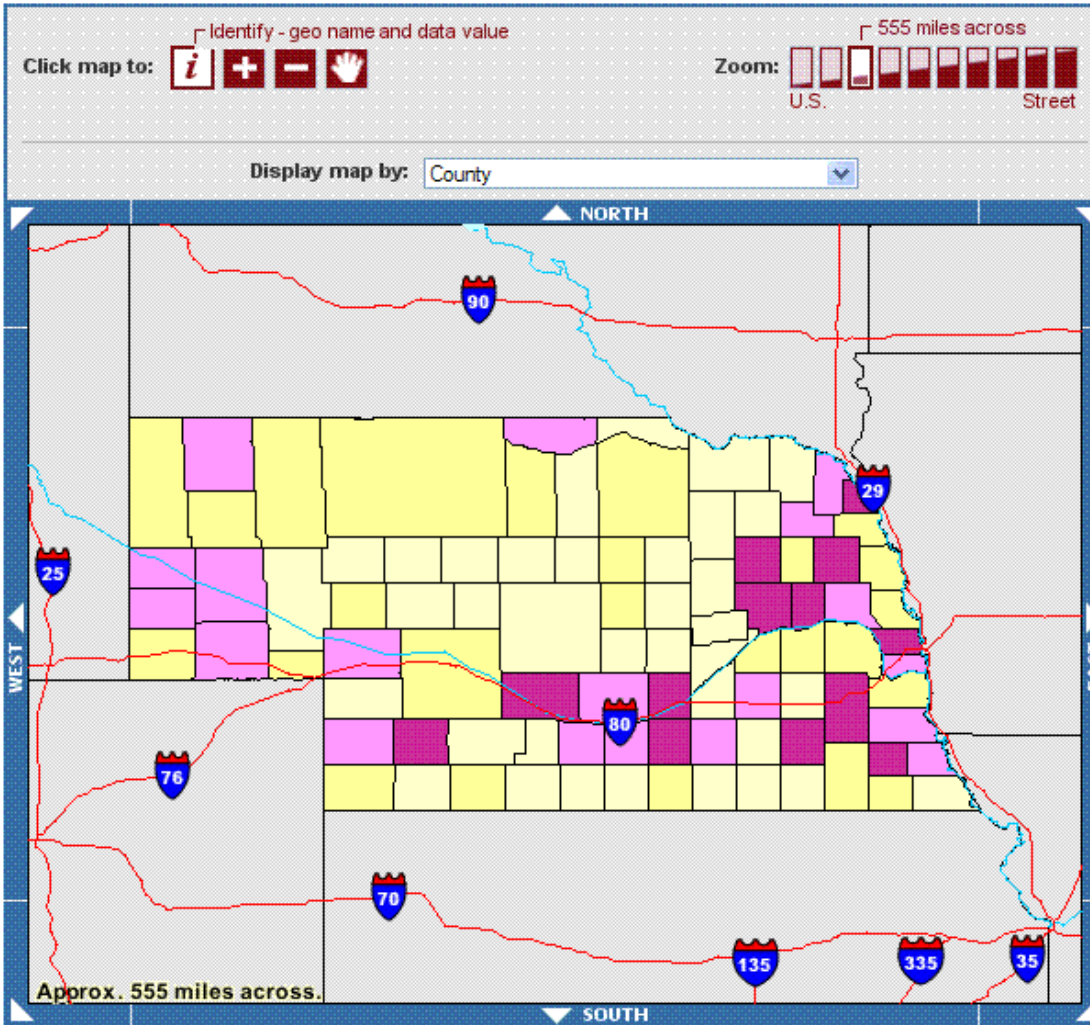
Universe: Total population

Data Set: 2005-2009 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Survey: American Community Survey

Nebraska by County

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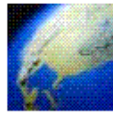
Percent

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15.0 - 19.9
20.0 - 24.9
25.0 - 35.0

Features

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M1502. Percent of People 25 Years and Over Who Have Completed a Bachelor's Degree [?]

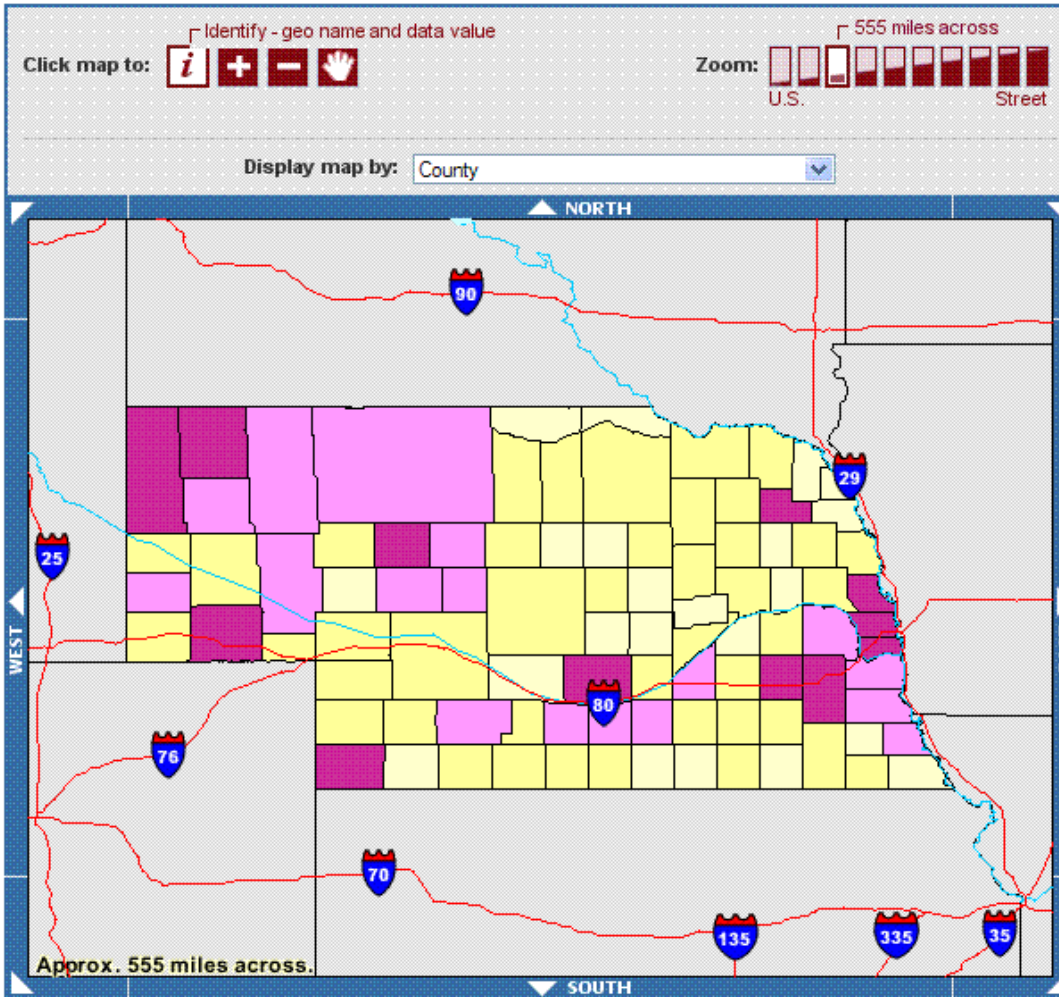
Universe: Population 25 years and over

Data Set: 2005-2009 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Survey: American Community Survey

Nebraska by County

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Percent

	4.2 - 9.9
	10.0 - 11.9
	12.0 - 14.9
	15.0 - 27.4

Features

-  Major Road
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M1701. Percent of People Below Poverty Level in the Past 12 Months (For Whom Poverty Status is Determined) ?

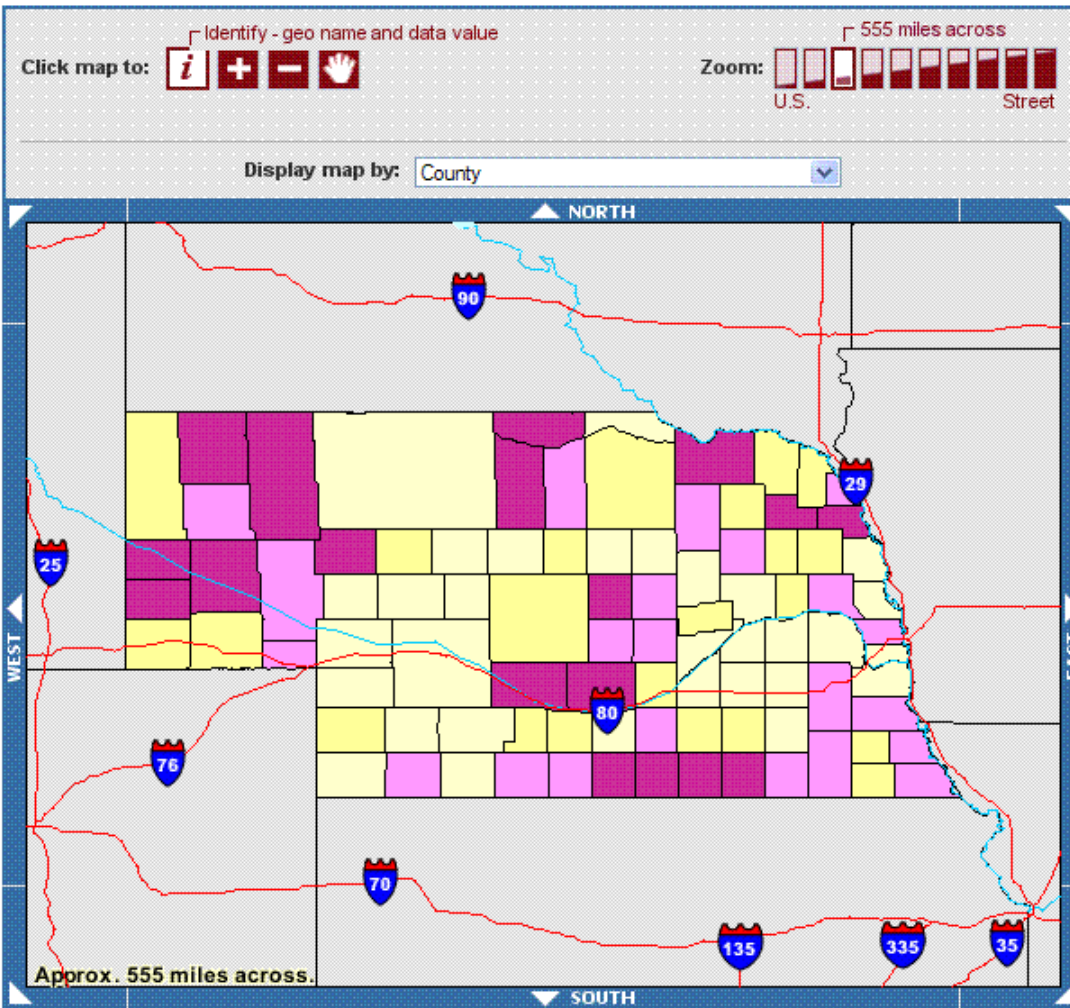
Universe: Population for whom poverty status is determined

Data Set: 2005-2009 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Survey: American Community Survey

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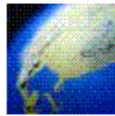
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Features

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- Stream/Waterbody
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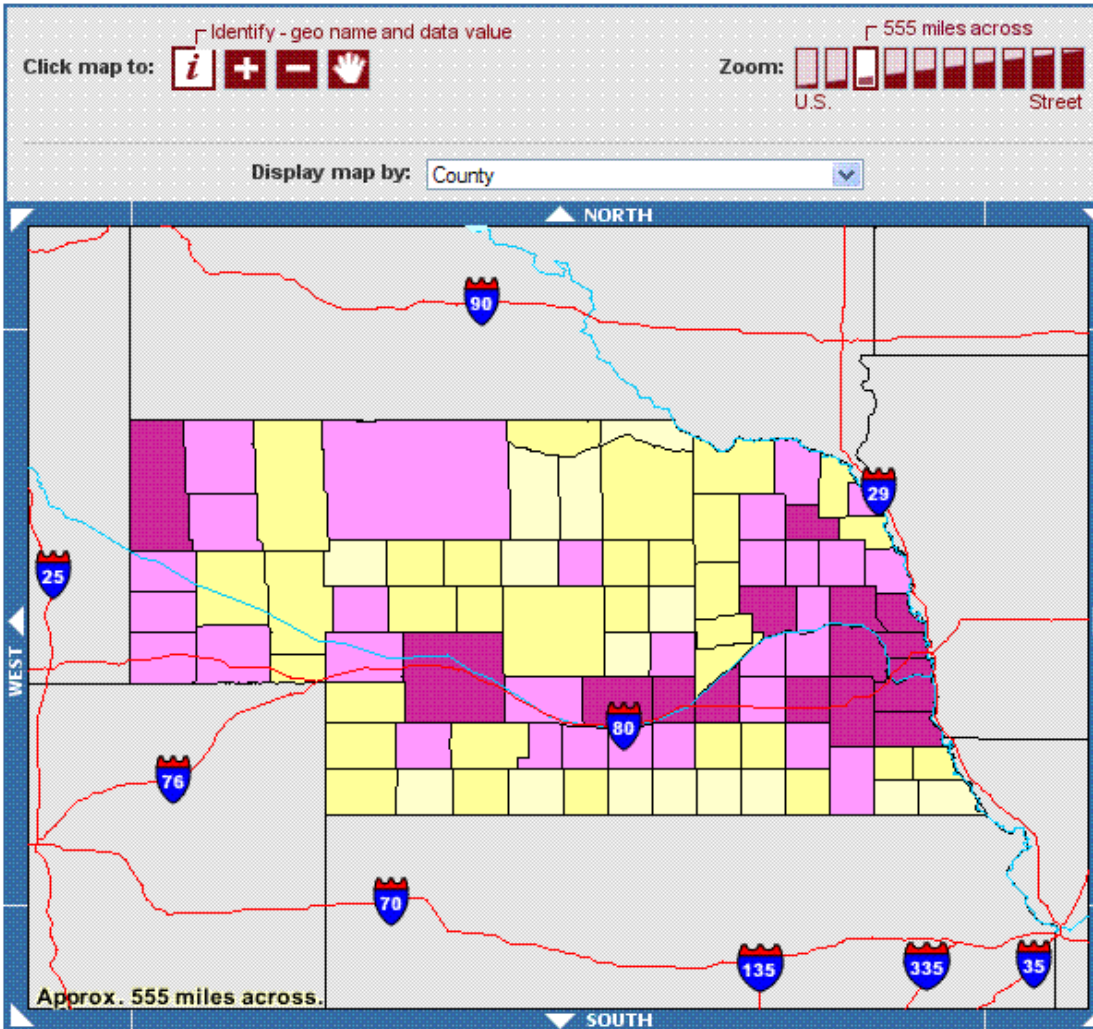
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M2510. Median Housing Value of Owner-Occupied Housing Units (Dollars) ?

Universe: Owner-Occupied housing units
Data Set: 2005-2009 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates
Survey: American Community Survey
Nebraska by County

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Rankings of Various Statistics for the 2005-2009 timeframe

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3	Dawson	17.1	3	Douglas	34.7	3	Keya Paha	19.7
4	Hall	11.5	4	Buffalo	32.2	4	Brown	19.5
5	Saline	10.6	5	Dawes	30.9	5	Grant	18.6
6	Douglas	7.9	6	Washington	28.8	6	Nuckolls	18.4
7	Cuming	7.4	7	Seward	26.6	7	Banner	17.5
8	Madison	7.2	8	Cheyenne	26.2	8	Franklin	16.4
9	Johnson	6.7	9	Wayne	26.0	9	Scotts Bluff	16.1
10	Hayes	6.6	10	Sioux	25.5	10	Sheridan	15.8
11	Platte	6.3	11	Dundy	25.4	10	Valley	15.8
12	Lancaster	6.2	12	Hooker	25.3	12	Webster	15.7
13	Adams	5.4	13	Banner	24.6	13	Morrill	15.5
14	Sarpy	4.6	14	Kearney	23.9	14	Wayne	15.3
15	Phelps	4.1	15	Nemaha	23.3	15	Buffalo	15.0
16	Keith	3.9	16	Saunders	23.2	15	Dawson	15.0
17	Dixon	3.8	17	Cass	22.7	15	Knox	15.0
18	Dodge	3.7	18	Garden	22.4	15	Thayer	15.0
18	Keya Paha	3.7	19	Adams	22.3	19	Dakota	14.5
20	Cheyenne	3.5	19	Cherry	22.3	20	Garden	14.4
21	Buffalo	3.3	21	Frontier	22.0	21	Greeley	14.0
22	Scotts Bluff	3.1	22	Box Butte	21.6	22	Deuel	13.8
23	Banner	2.9	23	Logan	21.4	23	Rock	13.7
23	Chase	2.9	24	McPherson	21.2	24	Furnas	13.5
25	Otoe	2.8	25	Otoe	20.9	25	Adams	13.3
26	Wayne	2.5	25	Thomas	20.9	25	Nemaha	13.3
26	York	2.5	27	Sheridan	20.7	27	Lancaster	13.2
28	Clay	2.4	28	Hamilton	20.6	28	Douglas	12.9
28	Morrill	2.4	29	Phelps	20.1	28	Hitchcock	12.9
30	Dawes	2.3	30	Blaine	19.8	30	Sherman	12.8
31	Kearney	2.1	31	Deuel	19.7	31	Howard	12.7
31	Nemaha	2.1	32	Morrill	19.6	32	Richardson	12.5
33	Deuel	1.9	32	Wheeler	19.6	33	Antelope	12.4
33	Pawnee	1.9	34	York	19.4	34	Box Butte	12.2
35	Sheridan	1.8	35	Burt	19.3	34	Gage	12.2
36	Garfield	1.7	36	Rock	19.2	34	Otoe	12.2
36	Kimball	1.7	37	Keith	19.0	37	Dodge	12.1
36	Thurston	1.7	37	Kimball	19.0	37	Jefferson	12.1
39	Red Willow	1.6	37	Red Willow	19.0	39	Harlan	12.0
40	Cherry	1.5	40	Perkins	18.8	39	Madison	12.0
40	Stanton	1.5	41	Hayes	18.7	41	Cuming	11.9
40	Valley	1.5	41	Lincoln	18.7	41	Johnson	11.9
43	Box Butte	1.4	41	Scotts Bluff	18.7	43	Chase	11.5
43	Holt	1.4	44	Franklin	18.5	44	Nance	11.4
43	Lincoln	1.4	44	Platte	18.5	45	Hall	11.3
43	Washington	1.4	46	Dodge	18.1	46	Clay	11.2

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Rank	County	Percent	Rank	County	Percent			
47	Butler	1.3	47	Grant	18.0	46	Pawnee	11.2
47	Dundy	1.3	48	Harlan	17.9	48	Stanton	11.1
47	Polk	1.3	49	Madison	17.7	49	Colfax	11.0
50	Cass	1.2	50	Gage	17.4	50	Kimball	10.9
50	Webster	1.2	51	Clay	17.2	50	Loup	10.9
52	Arthur	1.1	52	Valley	17.1	52	Gosper	10.8
52	Brown	1.1	53	Custer	17.0	53	Phelps	10.7
52	Burt	1.1	54	Fillmore	16.9	54	Cheyenne	10.6
52	Gage	1.1	54	Gosper	16.9	55	Sioux	10.4
52	Saunders	1.1	56	Hall	16.7	56	Fillmore	10.3
57	Sioux	1	56	Holt	16.7	56	Holt	10.3
58	Frontier	0.9	58	Butler	16.3	56	Hooker	10.3
58	Furnas	0.9	59	Cuming	16.2	56	Pierce	10.3
58	Rock	0.9	60	Antelope	16.0	60	Dixon	10.2
61	Antelope	0.8	60	Furnas	16.0	61	Cedar	10.0
61	Garden	0.8	60	Knox	16.0	61	Custer	10.0
63	Knox	0.7	63	Boone	15.9	63	Frontier	9.8
63	Pierce	0.7	64	Brown	15.8	63	Saline	9.8
63	Richardson	0.7	64	Saline	15.8	63	Thomas	9.8
63	Wheeler	0.7	66	Chase	15.5	66	Garfield	9.7
67	Fillmore	0.6	66	Merrick	15.5	66	Keith	9.7
67	Hamilton	0.6	66	Pawnee	15.5	68	Lincoln	9.5
67	Hitchcock	0.6	69	Cedar	15.4	69	Butler	9.4
67	Howard	0.6	69	Thayer	15.4	70	Kearney	9.3
67	McPherson	0.6	71	Pierce	15.0	71	Red Willow	9.2
67	Nuckolls	0.6	72	Arthur	14.9	72	Boyd	9.1
73	Custer	0.5	72	Dawson	14.9	73	Burt	8.9
73	Thayer	0.5	74	Polk	14.7	73	Seward	8.9
75	Boone	0.4	75	Garfield	14.6	75	Dundy	8.8
75	Loup	0.4	76	Johnson	14.1	76	Cherry	8.5
75	Perkins	0.4	77	Dixon	14.0	76	Wheeler	8.5
75	Seward	0.4	77	Sherman	14.0	78	York	8.2
75	Sherman	0.4	79	Dakota	13.8	79	Hayes	7.9
80	Cedar	0.3	79	Jefferson	13.8	80	Platte	7.8
80	Franklin	0.3	79	Nuckolls	13.8	81	McPherson	7.7
80	Gosper	0.3	79	Richardson	13.8	81	Polk	7.7
80	Merrick	0.3	83	Greeley	13.1	83	Blaine	7.6
84	Grant	0.2	83	Hitchcock	13.1	84	Boone	7.4
84	Harlan	0.2	85	Boyd	12.8	85	Merrick	7.3
84	Jefferson	0.2	86	Nance	12.6	86	Hamilton	7.2
84	Nance	0.2	87	Howard	12.3	87	Saunders	6.8
88	Greeley	0.1	88	Stanton	12.1	88	Sarpy	6.0
89	Blaine	0	88	Thurston	12.1	89	Cass	5.1
89	Boyd	0	88	Webster	12.1	90	Arthur	4.9
89	Hooker	0	91	Loup	11.1	90	Logan	4.9
89	Logan	0	92	Keya Paha	10.8	92	Washington	4.7
89	Thomas	0	93	Colfax	10.2	93	Perkins	4.2

Rankings of Various Statistics for the 2005-2009 timeframe

Source: 2005-2009 American Community Survey (aggregate), U.S. Census Bureau

Median Household Income (MHI)		Median Housing Value (MHV)		Ratio of MHV to MHI	
Rank	County	Rank	County	Rank	County
	Value (09\$)		Value (09\$)		Ratio
1	Sarpy	1	Washington	1	Banner
2	Cass	2	Sarpy	2	Lancaster
3	Washington	3	Lancaster	3	Dawes
4	Saunders	4	Cass	4	Douglas
5	Seward	5	Douglas	5	Washington
6	McPherson	6	Saunders	6	Buffalo
7	Lancaster	7	Seward	7	Loup
8	Douglas	8	Buffalo	8	Scotts Bluff
9	Kearney	9	Dodge	9	Dodge
10	Hamilton	10	Otoe	10	Sioux
11	Platte	11	Hall	11	Cherry
12	York	12	Sioux	12	Otoe
13	Cheyenne	13	Lincoln	13	Seward
14	Pierce	14	Platte	14	Saunders
15	Buffalo	15	Wayne	15	Wayne
16	Hall	16	Hamilton	16	Sarpy
17	Merrick	17	Arthur	17	Lincoln
18	Otoe	18	Madison	18	Hall
19	Perkins	19	Kearney	19	Cass
20	Colfax	20	Saline	20	Madison
21	Saline	21	Dakota	21	Gage
22	Stanton	22	Banner	22	Hayes
23	Butler	23	Scotts Bluff	23	Arthur
24	Box Butte	24	Adams	24	Cuming
25	Dodge	25	York	25	Gosper
26	Arthur	26	Cherry	26	Platte
27	Lincoln	27	Gosper	27	Dakota
28	Dakota	28	Gage	28	Garfield
29	Adams	29	Cuming	29	Keith
30	Howard	30	Box Butte	30	Adams
30	Polk	31	Cheyenne	31	Holt
32	Wayne	32	Howard	32	Saline
33	Boone	33	Dawes	33	Brown
34	Johnson	34	Hayes	34	Hamilton
35	Phelps	35	Keith	35	Morrill
36	Gosper	36	Stanton	36	Kimball
37	Burt	37	Butler	37	Howard
38	Sioux	38	Polk	38	Sheridan
39	Wheeler	39	Pierce	39	Dawson
40	Madison	40	Cedar	40	Box Butte
41	Logan	41	Burt	41	Chase
42	Fillmore	42	Phelps	42	York
43	Cedar	43	Dawson	43	Cedar
44	Custer	44	Kimball	44	Jefferson
45	Dixon	45	Colfax	45	Kearney
46	Cuming	46	Loup	46	Polk

Median Household Income (MHI)		Median Housing Value (MHV)		Ratio of MHV to MHI				
Rank	County	Value (09\$)	Rank	County	Value (09\$)	Rank	County	Ratio
47	Nemaha	41,852	47	Holt	79,000	47	Burt	1.91
48	Frontier	41,676	48	Merrick	77,800	48	Keya Paha	1.90
49	Gage	41,569	49	Dixon	77,200	49	Cheyenne	1.89
50	Pawnee	41,471	49	Perkins	77,200	50	Phelps	1.89
51	Thomas	41,000	51	McPherson	77,100	51	Red Willow	1.89
52	Dawson	40,842	51	Nemaha	77,100	52	Butler	1.88
53	Keith	40,826	53	Johnson	76,000	53	Stanton	1.88
54	Nance	40,729	54	Jefferson	75,800	54	Valley	1.86
55	Thurston	40,553	55	Garfield	75,000	55	Nemaha	1.84
56	Kimball	40,233	55	Morrill	75,000	56	Dixon	1.84
57	Red Willow	39,674	57	Red Willow	74,800	57	Antelope	1.83
58	Clay	39,642	58	Chase	73,800	58	Pierce	1.80
59	Harlan	39,565	59	Boone	72,800	59	Hooker	1.79
60	Hayes	39,427	60	Fillmore	72,400	60	Garden	1.78
61	Cherry	39,089	61	Frontier	72,300	61	Colfax	1.77
62	Deuel	38,933	62	Clay	69,400	62	Clay	1.75
63	Jefferson	38,797	63	Logan	68,800	63	Johnson	1.74
64	Furnas	38,406	64	Custer	68,600	64	Frontier	1.73
65	Greeley	38,355	65	Nance	68,200	65	Knox	1.73
66	Dundy	38,346	66	Thomas	67,800	66	Deuel	1.72
67	Scotts Bluff	37,643	67	Deuel	67,000	67	Fillmore	1.70
68	Holt	37,625	68	Harlan	66,600	68	Dundy	1.70
69	Webster	37,386	69	Antelope	65,700	69	Merrick	1.69
70	Chase	37,192	70	Dundy	65,300	70	Harlan	1.68
71	Grant	37,000	71	Keya Paha	64,700	71	Rock	1.68
72	Morrill	36,986	72	Hooker	63,800	72	Nance	1.67
73	Sherman	36,741	72	Thurston	63,800	73	Perkins	1.67
74	Thayer	36,719	74	Valley	63,700	74	Boone	1.66
75	Richardson	36,698	75	Sheridan	62,200	75	Thomas	1.65
76	Hitchcock	36,307	76	Knox	61,300	76	Blaine	1.64
77	Antelope	35,883	77	Wheeler	60,400	77	Nuckolls	1.63
78	Blaine	35,694	78	Garden	60,100	78	Richardson	1.63
79	Hooker	35,547	79	Richardson	59,800	79	Custer	1.62
80	Garfield	35,455	80	Blaine	58,500	80	Logan	1.61
81	Knox	35,349	81	Rock	58,100	81	Thayer	1.58
82	Franklin	35,259	82	Thayer	58,000	82	Thurston	1.57
83	Rock	34,620	83	Webster	56,300	83	McPherson	1.52
84	Valley	34,211	84	Brown	55,100	84	Webster	1.51
85	Keya Paha	34,038	85	Sherman	52,700	85	Franklin	1.44
86	Garden	33,692	86	Pawnee	52,600	86	Sherman	1.43
87	Boyd	33,060	87	Nuckolls	52,300	87	Wheeler	1.41
88	Banner	32,833	88	Furnas	52,000	88	Hitchcock	1.40
89	Nuckolls	32,076	89	Franklin	50,900	89	Furnas	1.35
90	Loup	31,364	90	Hitchcock	50,800	90	Boyd	1.34
91	Dawes	31,052	91	Greeley	46,200	91	Pawnee	1.27
92	Sheridan	31,003	92	Boyd	44,300	92	Greeley	1.20
93	Brown	26,676	93	Grant	42,700	93	Grant	1.15