### Population and Housing Narrative Profile 2009-2013 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

While the ACS produces sample-based population group and housing estimates used in this report, the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program produces and disseminates official estimates of the population for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns, as well as estimates of housing units for states and counties. For more information see: <u>http://www.census.gov/popest/</u>

Note that for small geographic areas, the sample used for the Narrative Profile may be small as well. Users are encouraged to examine the detailed tables on <u>American FactFinder</u> that are associated with the Narrative Profile text. These tables provide additional information on sampling variability associated with the estimates in this report.

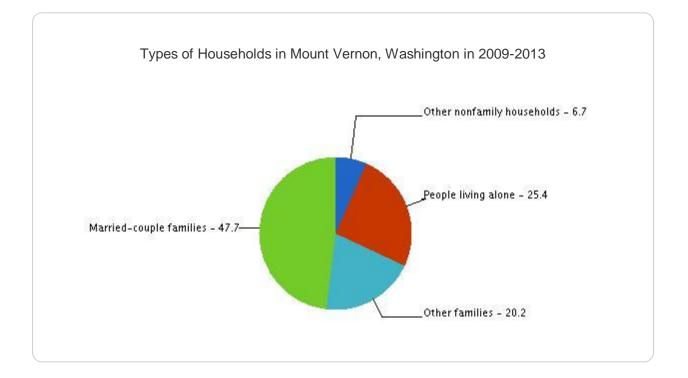
# **Geography: Mount Vernon, Washington**

### Households and Families

In 2009-2013 there were 11,400 households in Mount Vernon, Washington. The average household size was 2.8 people.

Families made up 68 percent of the households in Mount Vernon, Washington. This figure includes both married-couple families (48 percent) and other families (20 percent). Of other families, 9 percent are female householder families with no husband present and own children under 18 years. Nonfamily households made up 32 percent of all households in Mount Vernon, Washington. Most of the nonfamily households were people living alone, but some were composed of people living in households in which no one was related to the householder.

In Mount Vernon, Washington, 38 percent of all households have one or more people under the age of 18; 27 percent of all households have one or more people 65 years and over.



Among persons 15 and older, 52 percent of males and 46 percent of females are currently married.

Population 15 years and over	Males	Females
Never married	32.9	25.6
Now married, except separated	51.9	45.7
Separated	1.6	2.5
Widowed	1.9	10.1
Divorced	11.7	16.1

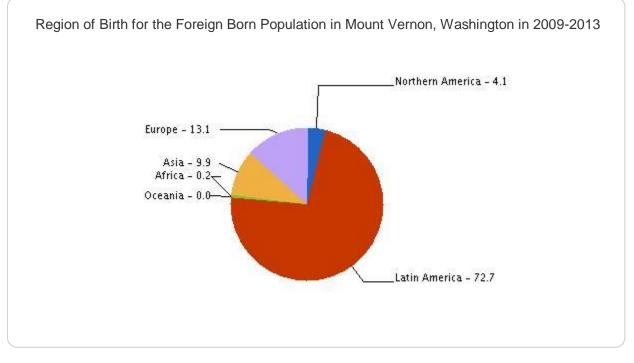
In Mount Vernon, Washington, 855 grandparents lived with their grandchildren under 18 years old. Of those grandparents, 29 percent of them had financial responsibility for their grandchildren.

## Nativity and Foreign Born

An estimated 84 percent of the people living in Mount Vernon, Washington in 2009-2013 were native residents of the United States and 50 percent of these residents were living in the state in which they were born.

An estimated 16 percent of the people living in Mount Vernon, Washington in 2009-2013 were foreign born. Of the foreign born population, 22 percent were naturalized U.S. citizens, and 95 percent entered the country before the year 2010. An estimated 5 percent of the foreign born entered the country in 2010 or later.

Foreign born residents of Mount Vernon, Washington come from different parts of the world.



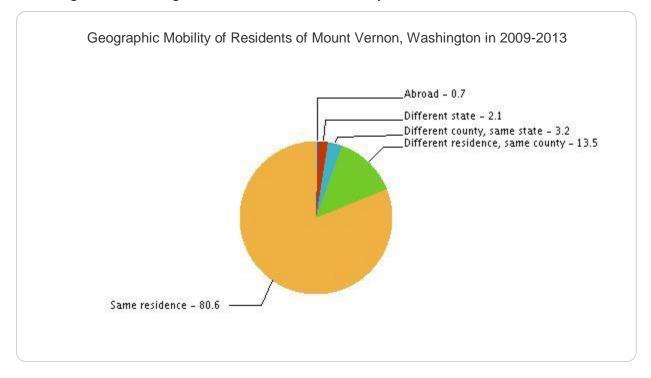
#### Language

Among people at least five years old living in Mount Vernon, Washington in 2009-2013, 29 percent spoke a language other than English at home. Of those speaking a language other than English at home, 85 percent spoke Spanish and 15 percent spoke some other language; 41 percent reported that they did not speak English "very well."



# Geographic Mobility

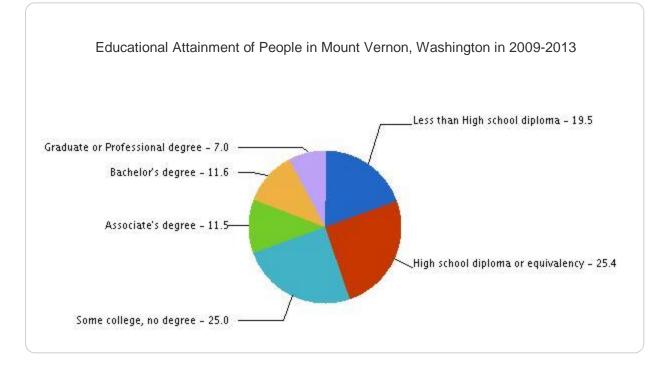
In 2009-2013, 81 percent of the people at least one year old living in Mount Vernon, Washington were living in the same residence one year earlier.



## Education

In 2009-2013, 80 percent of people 25 years and over had at least graduated from high school and 19 percent had a bachelor's degree or higher. An estimated 20 percent did not complete high school.

The total school enrollment in Mount Vernon, Washington was 8,400 in 2009-2013. Nursery school and kindergarten enrollment was 1,100 and elementary or high school enrollment was 5,700 children. College or graduate school enrollment was 1,500.



#### Disability

In Mount Vernon, Washington, among the civilian noninstitutionalized population in 2009-2013, 12 percent reported a disability. The likelihood of having a disability varied by age - from 4 percent of people under 18 years old, to 8 percent of people 18 to 64 years old, and to 42 percent of those 65 and over.

# Employment Status and Type of Employer

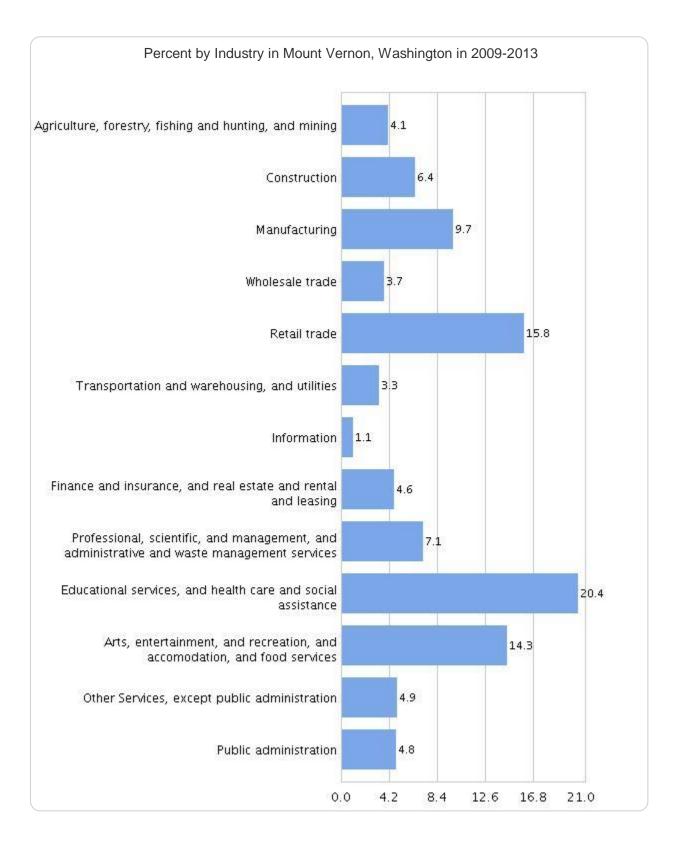
In Mount Vernon, Washington, 54 percent of the population 16 and over were employed; 39 percent were not currently in the labor force.

An estimated 80 percent of the people employed were private wage and salary workers; 14 percent were federal, state, or local government workers; and 7 percent were self-employed in their own (not incorporated) business.

Class of worker	Number	Percent
Private wage and salary workers	10,181	79.6
Federal, state, or local government workers	1,771	13.8
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	839	6.6

#### Industries

In 2009-2013, the civilian employed population 16 years and older in Mount Vernon, Washington worked in the following industries:



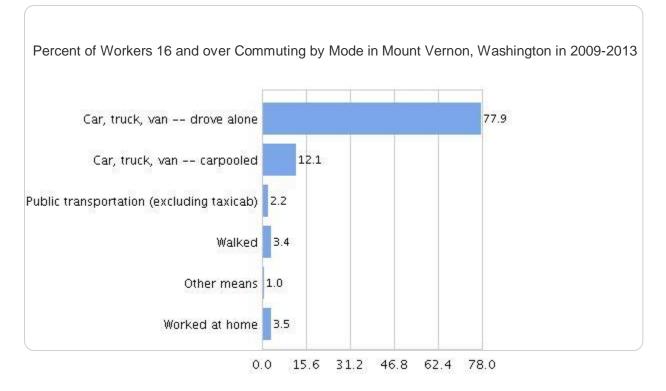
## Occupations

Occupations for the civilian employed population 16 years and over in Mount Vernon, Washington in 2009-2013:

Civilian employed population 16 years and over	Number	Percent
Management, business, sciences, and arts occupations	3,514	27.5
Service occupations	2,687	21.0
Sales and office occupations	3,365	26.3
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	1,461	11.4
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	1,764	13.8

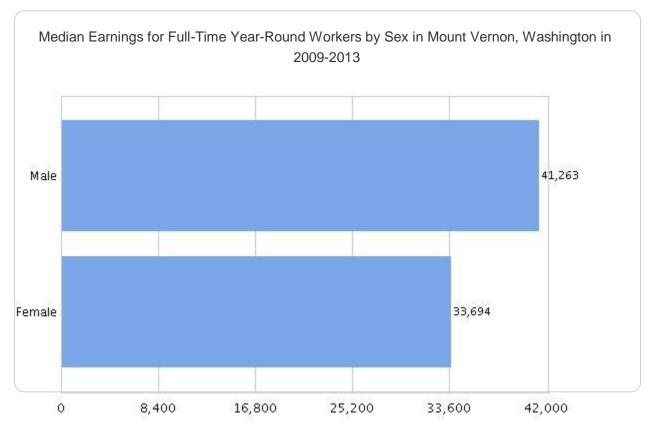
#### Commuting to Work

An estimated 78 percent of Mount Vernon, Washington workers drove to work alone in 2009-2013, and 12 percent carpooled. Among those who commuted to work, it took them on average 23 minutes to get to work.

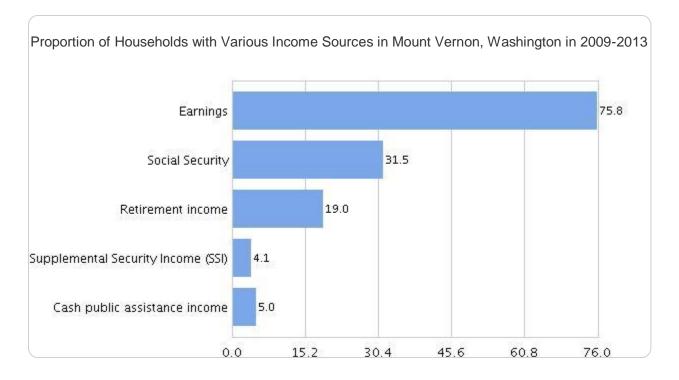


#### Income

The median income of households in Mount Vernon, Washington was \$48,240. An estimated 12 percent of households had income below \$15,000 a year and 4 percent had income over \$150,000 or more.

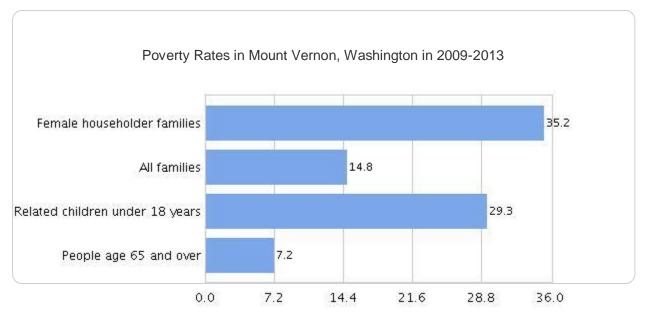


An estimated 76 percent of the households received earnings and 19 percent received retirement income other than Social Security. An estimated 31 percent of the households received Social Security. The average income from Social Security was \$17,471. These income sources are not mutually exclusive; that is, some households received income from more than one source.



# Poverty and Participation in Government Programs

In 2009-2013, 19 percent of people were in poverty. An estimated 29 percent of related children under 18 were below the poverty level, compared with 7 percent of people 65 years old and over. An estimated 15 percent of all families and 35 percent of families with a female householder and no husband present had incomes below the poverty level.

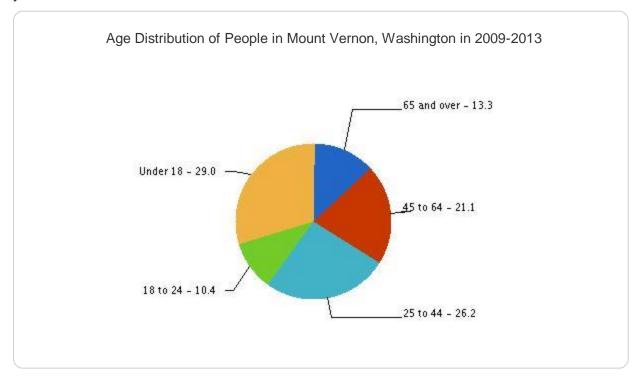


### Health Insurance

Among the civilian noninstitutionalized population in Mount Vernon, Washington in 2009-2013, 80 percent had health insurance coverage and 20 percent did not have health insurance coverage. For those under 18 years of age, 7 percent had no health insurance coverage. The civilian noninstitutionalized population had both private and public health insurance, with 55 percent having private coverage and 37 percent having public coverage.

## Population

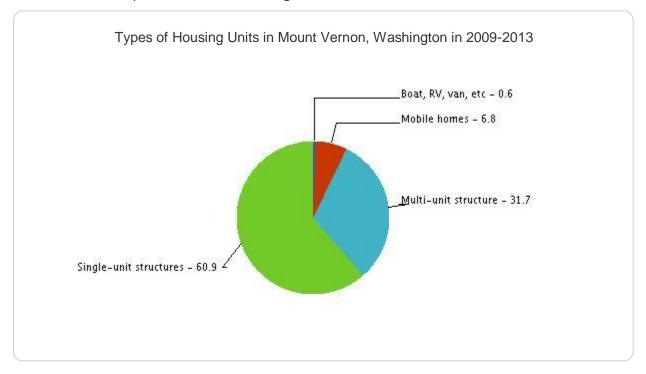
In 2009-2013, Mount Vernon, Washington has a total population of 32,100 -- 16,200 (51 percent) females and 15,900 (49 percent) males. The median age was 32.2 years. An estimated 29 percent of the population was under 18 years and 13 percent was 65 years and older.



For people reporting one race alone, 86 percent were White; 1 percent were Black or African American; 1 percent were American Indian and Alaska Native; 2 percent were Asian; less than 0.5 percent were Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, and 11 percent were some other race. An estimated 3 percent reported two or more races. An estimated 35 percent of the people in Mount Vernon, Washington were Hispanic. An estimated 59 percent of the people in Mount Vernon, Washington were White non-Hispanic. People of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

# Housing Characteristics

In 2009-2013, Mount Vernon, Washington had a total of 12,300 housing units, 8 percent of which were vacant. Of the total housing units, 61 percent were in single-unit structures, 32 percent were in multi-unit structures, and 7 percent were mobile homes. An estimated 44 percent of the housing units were built since 1990.

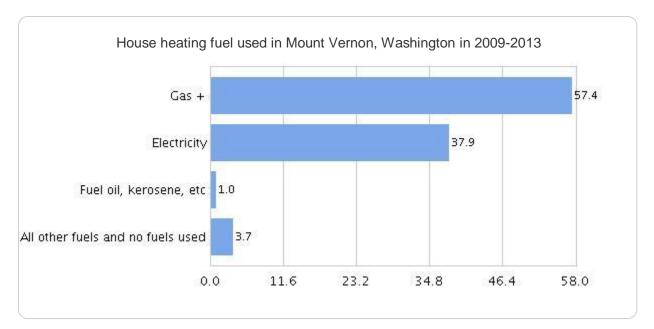


The median number of rooms in all housing units in Mount Vernon, Washington is 5. Of these housing units, 56 percent have three or more bedrooms.

# Occupied Housing Unit Characteristics

In 2009-2013, Mount Vernon, Washington had 11,400 occupied housing units - 6,500 (57 percent) owner occupied and 4,900 (43 percent) renter occupied. An estimated 77 percent of householders of these units had moved in since 2000. An estimated 71 percent of the owner occupied units had a mortgage. An estimated 2 percent of the households did not have telephone service. An estimated 6 percent had no vehicles available and another 24 percent had three or more.

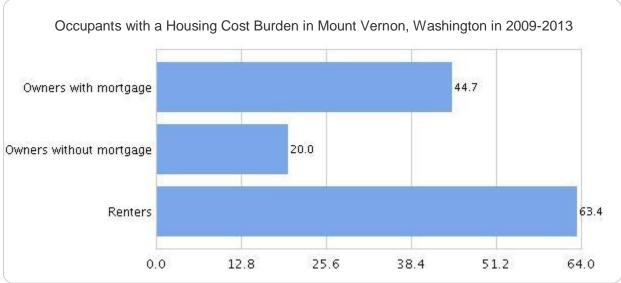
Homes in Mount Vernon, Washington were heated in the following ways:



+this category includes utility, bottled, tank, or LP gas

# Housing Costs

The median monthly housing costs for mortgaged owners was \$1,618, nonmortgaged owners \$547, and renters \$899. An estimated 45 percent of owners with mortgages, 20 percent of owners without mortgages, and 63 percent of renters in Mount Vernon, Washington spent 30 percent or more of household income on housing.



Explanation of Symbols:

An '-' entry in the estimate column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute an estimate, or a ratio of medians cannot be calculated because one or both of the median estimates falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution.

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