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Number of housing units (million)

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	Total U.S. ^a	Total Northeast	New England	Middle Atlantic	Total Midwest	East North Central	West North Central
All homes	123.53	21.92	5.88	16.04	27.04	18.55	8.50
Census urban-rural classification^b							
Urban	100.44	18.56	4.79	13.76	20.77	14.62	6.15
Urbanized area	89.24	17.30	4.45	12.86	17.20	12.66	4.54
Urban cluster	11.20	1.25	0.34	0.91	3.57	1.96	1.60
Rural	23.09	3.36	1.08	2.28	6.28	3.93	2.35
Climate region^c							
Very cold/Cold	42.50	13.69	5.88	7.82	22.09	16.96	5.13
Mixed-humid	36.79	8.23	N	8.23	4.96	1.59	3.37
Mixed-dry/Hot-dry	15.06	N	N	N	N	N	N
Hot-humid	22.31	N	N	N	N	N	N
Marine	6.87	N	N	N	N	N	N
Housing unit type							
Single-family detached	77.07	11.23	3.34	7.89	18.58	12.59	5.99
Single-family attached	7.45	1.95	0.30	1.65	1.33	0.91	0.43
Apartment in buildings with 2–4 units	9.34	3.15	0.99	2.15	1.95	1.49	0.47
Apartments in buildings with 5 or more units	22.84	5.10	1.10	3.99	4.20	2.94	1.26
Mobile homes	6.83	0.50	0.14	0.36	0.97	0.63	0.35
Year of construction							
Before 1950	20.26	7.15	1.85	5.30	6.11	4.33	1.79
1950 to 1959	12.48	3.02	0.66	2.36	3.18	2.34	0.83
1960 to 1969	12.76	2.56	0.60	1.97	2.90	2.04	0.86
1970 to 1979	18.34	2.62	0.78	1.84	4.05	2.74	1.31
1980 to 1989	16.30	2.20	0.75	1.45	2.71	1.79	0.92
1990 to 1999	17.16	1.80	0.50	1.30	3.56	2.45	1.11
2000 to 2009	16.16	1.58	0.45	1.13	2.95	1.95	1.00
2010 to 2015	5.53	0.56	0.14	0.42	0.86	0.44	0.42
2016 to 2020	4.56	0.43	0.14	0.29	0.73	0.47	0.25
Number of stories							
1 story	47.15	3.65	0.98	2.67	10.55	6.83	3.71
2 stories	32.47	8.26	2.34	5.92	7.95	5.79	2.15
3 or more stories	2.61	0.85	0.23	0.62	0.52	0.37	0.15
Split-level	2.28	0.42	0.08	0.34	0.90	0.50	0.40
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	39.01	8.74	2.24	6.50	7.13	5.05	2.08

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All homes	123.53	21.92	5.88	16.04	27.04	18.55	8.50
Major outside wall construction							
Siding (aluminum, fiber cement, vinyl, or steel)	45.44	10.16	2.94	7.22	14.83	10.02	4.81
Brick	33.37	6.17	0.73	5.45	7.32	5.90	1.42
Wood	18.80	3.26	1.73	1.53	3.11	1.63	1.47
Stucco	15.65	0.58	0.05	0.53	0.64	0.17	0.47
Concrete block	6.42	0.70	0.06	0.64	0.49	0.40	0.09
Shingle (composition)	1.89	0.65	0.31	0.34	0.32	0.16	0.16
Stone	1.46	0.32	Q	0.29	0.24	0.18	0.06
Some other material	0.50	0.08	Q	Q	0.10	Q	Q
Major roofing material							
Shingles (composition or asphalt)	76.03	12.56	3.76	8.80	19.79	13.54	6.25
Metal	9.69	1.25	0.27	0.98	1.56	0.97	0.59
Wood shingles or shakes	5.19	1.46	0.36	1.10	0.66	0.44	0.22
Ceramic or clay tiles	4.89	0.70	0.22	0.48	0.27	0.23	Q
Concrete tiles	2.14	0.12	Q	0.11	Q	Q	Q
Slate or synthetic slate	1.49	0.50	0.12	0.38	0.36	0.30	0.07
Some other material	1.26	0.24	0.04	0.20	0.10	Q	Q
Not asked (apartments in buildings with 5 or more units)	22.84	5.10	1.10	3.99	4.20	2.94	1.26
Total number of rooms (excluding bathrooms)							
1 or 2	4.59	1.09	0.28	0.81	0.74	0.54	0.21
3	8.73	2.21	0.49	1.71	1.75	1.23	0.51
4	15.95	3.17	0.82	2.35	3.13	2.18	0.96
5	19.54	3.19	0.84	2.35	4.18	2.89	1.30
6	22.10	3.54	1.02	2.51	5.02	3.67	1.36
7	18.86	2.93	0.93	2.00	3.97	2.75	1.22
8	13.87	2.35	0.65	1.69	3.23	2.20	1.04
9 or more	19.90	3.45	0.83	2.62	5.01	3.09	1.92
Number of bedrooms							
0	1.82	0.39	0.08	0.30	0.34	0.24	0.11
1	14.52	3.65	0.79	2.87	2.84	1.99	0.84
2	30.67	5.74	1.58	4.16	6.68	4.52	2.16
3	48.27	7.39	2.18	5.21	10.82	7.76	3.07
4	22.08	3.69	1.02	2.67	4.96	3.25	1.71
5 or more	6.16	1.06	0.23	0.83	1.40	0.79	0.61

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All homes	123.53	21.92	5.88	16.04	27.04	18.55	8.50
Number of other rooms (excluding bathrooms)							
1	8.41	1.81	0.47	1.34	1.40	0.99	0.40
2	27.88	5.44	1.45	4.00	5.66	3.96	1.71
3	32.82	5.32	1.43	3.89	7.13	5.10	2.03
4	26.77	4.49	1.27	3.22	5.97	4.16	1.82
5 or more	27.64	4.86	1.26	3.60	6.88	4.34	2.54
Number of full bathrooms							
0	0.15	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	N
1	50.32	12.60	3.48	9.12	13.10	9.36	3.74
2	56.85	7.34	1.88	5.46	10.58	7.28	3.30
3 or more	16.21	1.95	0.52	1.44	3.35	1.89	1.45
Number of half bathrooms							
0	86.83	14.50	3.84	10.66	17.98	12.02	5.96
1	33.79	6.75	1.88	4.87	8.28	5.97	2.30
2 or more	2.91	0.67	0.16	0.52	0.78	0.55	0.23
Basement							
Yes	36.83	11.19	3.30	7.89	15.63	10.48	5.15
Finished basement	21.71	5.70	1.52	4.18	9.04	5.60	3.43
Unfinished basement	15.12	5.49	1.78	3.71	6.60	4.88	1.72
No	47.68	1.99	0.34	1.65	4.28	3.02	1.27
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	39.01	8.74	2.24	6.50	7.13	5.05	2.08
Attic							
Yes	56.50	8.48	2.45	6.03	13.26	9.16	4.10
Finished attic	7.68	1.45	0.30	1.15	1.47	1.01	0.46
Unfinished attic	48.83	7.02	2.15	4.88	11.79	8.15	3.64
No	28.01	4.70	1.19	3.51	6.65	4.33	2.32
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	39.01	8.74	2.24	6.50	7.13	5.05	2.08
Attached garage							
Yes	51.79	6.86	1.77	5.10	12.32	8.16	4.16
1-car garage	11.27	2.74	0.55	2.19	2.30	1.43	0.87
2-car garage	34.18	3.70	1.07	2.63	8.15	5.71	2.44
3 or more car garage	6.34	0.43	0.15	0.28	1.87	1.02	0.85
No	32.72	6.32	1.87	4.44	7.60	5.34	2.26
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	39.01	8.74	2.24	6.50	7.13	5.05	2.08

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Adequacy of insulation							
Well insulated	34.34	5.82	1.58	4.24	7.14	4.72	2.42
Adequately insulated	64.27	11.18	3.05	8.12	14.78	10.13	4.65
Poorly insulated	21.29	4.17	1.12	3.06	4.49	3.24	1.26
Not insulated	3.63	0.75	0.13	0.62	0.63	0.47	0.16
Home is too drafty during the winter							
Never	55.37	8.34	2.21	6.12	10.74	6.99	3.75
Some of the time	52.63	10.45	2.84	7.61	12.68	8.96	3.72
Most of the time	10.39	2.07	0.56	1.51	2.47	1.79	0.67
All of the time	5.14	1.06	0.26	0.81	1.15	0.80	0.35
Any ceilings higher than 8 feet							
Yes	55.18	8.77	2.36	6.41	11.10	7.51	3.59
No	61.52	12.65	3.38	9.27	14.97	10.41	4.56
Not asked (mobile homes)	6.83	0.50	0.14	0.36	0.97	0.63	0.35
Number of windows							
1 to 2	6.95	0.88	0.23	0.65	1.69	1.10	0.59
3 to 5	18.15	2.98	0.62	2.36	3.14	2.24	0.90
6 to 9	29.35	4.76	0.98	3.78	5.84	4.16	1.68
10 to 15	38.42	6.33	1.74	4.59	9.12	6.08	3.04
16 to 19	13.61	2.74	0.83	1.91	3.40	2.29	1.11
20 to 29	12.43	3.10	1.02	2.08	2.83	1.93	0.90
30 or more	4.62	1.12	0.45	0.67	1.02	0.74	0.28
Type of glass in windows							
Single-pane glass	43.51	6.60	1.68	4.92	8.34	5.77	2.57
Double-pane glass	77.95	15.01	4.08	10.93	18.13	12.43	5.70
Triple-pane glass	2.07	0.30	0.11	0.19	0.57	0.35	0.22
Window frame material							
Metal (aluminum)	47.40	6.27	1.13	5.15	6.64	4.62	2.02
Wood	40.31	7.91	2.53	5.38	11.38	7.47	3.91
Vinyl	31.85	6.88	1.95	4.93	8.09	5.79	2.30
Fiberglass	1.72	0.29	0.07	0.23	0.40	0.30	0.10
Composite	2.25	0.56	0.20	0.36	0.53	0.36	0.16
Number of sliding glass or French doors							
0	60.38	12.80	3.36	9.45	13.52	9.12	4.40
1	39.81	6.05	1.65	4.40	9.39	6.60	2.79
2	15.19	1.94	0.51	1.43	3.00	2.03	0.97
3 or more	8.16	1.12	0.35	0.77	1.13	0.79	0.34

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Electricity meter is a smart meter							
Yes	34.30	4.81	1.07	3.74	7.41	5.48	1.93
No	36.81	7.97	2.05	5.92	7.63	5.07	2.56
Don't know	52.42	9.14	2.76	6.38	12.01	8.00	4.01
Park a car within 20 feet of electrical outlet							
Yes	67.83	10.20	2.99	7.21	16.73	11.30	5.43
No	32.87	6.62	1.78	4.84	6.11	4.31	1.80
Not asked (apartments in buildings with 5 or more units)	22.84	5.10	1.10	3.99	4.20	2.94	1.26
Own or lease an all-electric or plug-in hybrid electric vehicle							
Yes	1.82	0.30	0.07	0.23	0.22	0.16	0.06
Charge at home	1.39	0.19	0.06	0.14	0.18	0.13	Q
No	121.71	21.62	5.81	15.82	26.82	18.39	8.43
Natural gas available in neighborhood							
Yes	89.60	16.68	3.72	12.96	22.48	15.62	6.86
Uses natural gas	75.31	14.59	3.02	11.58	20.08	14.22	5.86
Does not use natural gas	14.29	2.09	0.70	1.39	2.40	1.40	0.99
No	33.93	5.24	2.16	3.08	4.57	2.92	1.64
Distributed solar generation							
Yes	3.65	0.72	0.29	0.42	0.29	0.17	0.11
No	87.70	12.96	3.48	9.48	20.60	13.95	6.65
Not asked (apartments)	32.18	8.24	2.10	6.14	6.15	4.42	1.73
Experienced power outage lasting more than 24 hours							
Yes	22.72	4.88	1.56	3.32	4.23	3.00	1.23
Natural disaster or weather event	19.00	4.46	1.50	2.97	3.56	2.52	1.04
Unable to pay electric bill	0.25	Q	Q	N	0.08	Q	Q
Utility had planned or unplanned blackout	3.08	0.31	0.04	0.27	0.52	0.36	0.16
Other reason for outage	0.39	0.10	Q	0.08	Q	Q	Q
No	100.81	17.04	4.31	12.72	22.81	15.55	7.26
Back-up generator in home							
Yes	17.66	3.96	1.31	2.65	4.23	3.07	1.15
No	105.87	17.96	4.57	13.40	22.82	15.48	7.34

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Swimming pool							
Yes	8.52	1.53	0.38	1.15	1.16	0.91	0.25
No	82.83	12.15	3.40	8.75	19.73	13.21	6.52
Not asked (apartments)	32.18	8.24	2.10	6.14	6.15	4.42	1.73
Months swimming pool is used							
0 to 3	1.90	0.59	0.17	0.42	0.34	0.26	0.09
4 to 7	5.08	0.92	0.20	0.73	0.78	0.63	0.15
8 to 12	1.54	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q	Q
No swimming pool	82.83	12.15	3.40	8.75	19.73	13.21	6.52
Not asked (apartments)	32.18	8.24	2.10	6.14	6.15	4.42	1.73
Heated swimming pool and fuel							
Heated swimming pool	2.88	0.51	0.08	0.43	0.36	0.31	Q
Electricity	0.85	0.12	0.04	0.07	0.10	0.08	Q
Natural gas	1.32	0.21	Q	0.21	0.20	0.19	Q
Propane	0.29	0.11	0.03	0.08	Q	Q	Q
Some other fuel	0.42	0.07	Q	0.06	Q	Q	N
Unheated swimming pool	5.64	1.02	0.30	0.72	0.80	0.60	0.20
No swimming pool	82.83	12.15	3.40	8.75	19.73	13.21	6.52
Not asked (apartments)	32.18	8.24	2.10	6.14	6.15	4.42	1.73
Hot tub							
Yes	8.84	1.38	0.38	0.99	1.56	1.10	0.45
No	114.69	20.54	5.49	15.05	25.49	17.44	8.04
Months hot tub is used							
0 to 3	4.22	0.68	0.20	0.47	0.68	0.48	0.20
4 to 7	1.27	0.25	0.06	0.19	0.24	0.18	0.06
8 to 12	3.35	0.45	0.12	0.33	0.64	0.44	0.19
No hot tub	114.69	20.54	5.49	15.05	25.49	17.44	8.04
Hot tub heating fuel							
Electricity	4.41	0.64	0.16	0.48	0.88	0.63	0.25
Natural gas	1.47	0.22	0.05	0.17	0.19	0.12	0.07
Some other fuel	0.36	0.09	0.04	Q	Q	Q	Q
Hot tub used 0 months	2.60	0.43	0.14	0.28	0.45	0.34	0.12
No hot tub	114.69	20.54	5.49	15.05	25.49	17.44	8.04

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Notes: Because of rounding, data may not sum to totals. See RECS Terminology for definition of terms used in these tables.

^a *Total U.S.* includes all primary occupied housing units in the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Vacant housing units, seasonal units, second homes, military houses, and group quarters are excluded.

^b The Building America program, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), created these climate regions. We combined climate regions for this publication. The Subarctic region is included with data for *Very-cold/Cold*.

^c Housing units are classified using criteria created by the U.S. Census Bureau based on 2010 Census data. Urbanized areas are densely settled groupings of blocks or tracts with 50,000 or more people, while urban clusters have at least 2,500 but less than 50,000 people. All other areas are rural.

Q = Data withheld because either the relative standard error (RSE) was greater than 50% or fewer than 10 households in reporting sample.

N = No households in reporting sample.

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All homes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Major outside wall construction							
Siding (aluminum, fiber cement, vinyl, or steel)	1.00	1.91	2.67	2.55	1.41	1.93	2.02
Brick	1.25	2.65	9.09	2.82	2.64	3.23	6.13
Wood	1.71	3.49	4.13	6.41	5.14	7.92	5.27
Stucco	1.69	12.00	25.81	12.56	11.17	24.99	12.44
Concrete block	4.22	12.19	30.89	13.21	16.98	18.90	28.16
Shingle (composition)	7.23	10.83	11.47	15.73	17.07	26.89	20.43
Stone	7.06	16.38	44.82	18.13	21.35	25.01	31.86
Some other material	13.54	28.40	46.14	37.14	31.43	33.85	92.32
Major roofing material							
Shingles (composition or asphalt)	0.47	1.28	1.85	1.66	0.86	1.21	1.12
Metal	2.36	8.34	8.96	9.75	6.89	9.85	9.09
Wood shingles or shakes	4.40	7.23	14.65	8.94	13.84	18.52	15.49
Ceramic or clay tiles	3.55	10.58	16.22	13.43	20.13	22.62	37.43
Concrete tiles	6.39	28.06	101.02	29.33	35.13	46.71	51.88
Slate or synthetic slate	7.60	12.39	26.24	15.28	17.93	21.41	32.40
Some other material	7.69	19.81	33.77	22.48	31.00	37.44	45.26
Not asked (apartments in buildings with 5 or more units)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total number of rooms (excluding bathrooms)							
1 or 2	4.95	9.51	12.68	11.43	11.20	13.16	22.81
3	2.52	6.67	9.03	7.54	7.34	9.34	11.85
4	2.05	4.66	7.53	5.97	5.79	6.91	7.44
5	1.99	4.67	6.49	5.77	4.15	5.15	6.89
6	1.80	4.10	5.30	5.39	4.04	4.58	8.01
7	1.81	3.74	5.12	4.93	3.74	5.11	6.30
8	2.06	5.06	8.80	5.92	4.67	6.44	7.60
9 or more	1.53	4.50	5.62	5.66	2.97	4.69	4.24
Number of bedrooms							
0	8.69	16.15	23.80	18.71	17.55	23.70	28.63
1	1.88	3.63	6.66	3.78	5.13	6.59	7.88
2	1.21	3.52	3.97	4.47	2.86	3.73	4.76
3	1.16	2.42	3.32	2.98	2.14	2.55	3.79
4	1.86	3.70	5.69	4.67	4.31	5.43	5.64
5 or more	2.93	8.03	11.73	9.91	6.94	10.72	9.88

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	Total U.S. ^a	Total Northeast	New England	Middle Atlantic	Total Midwest	East North Central	West North Central
All homes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Adequacy of insulation							
Well insulated	1.43	3.36	4.16	4.15	3.29	4.33	4.07
Adequately insulated	0.76	1.84	2.92	2.38	1.87	2.46	2.44
Poorly insulated	1.85	3.71	5.73	4.74	3.87	5.14	6.19
Not insulated	5.49	12.32	22.15	13.47	14.05	19.40	21.29
Home is too drafty during the winter							
Never	0.88	2.54	3.17	3.25	2.09	3.04	2.62
Some of the time	0.87	2.17	2.89	2.63	1.80	2.38	2.90
Most of the time	2.99	5.07	7.92	6.36	5.44	7.17	8.54
All of the time	4.40	9.81	16.37	11.57	9.96	11.97	13.52
Any ceilings higher than 8 feet							
Yes	0.84	2.57	3.45	3.21	2.18	2.69	2.96
No	0.76	1.78	2.40	2.22	1.61	1.94	2.33
Not asked (mobile homes)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Number of windows							
1 to 2	3.87	10.14	14.59	13.78	7.65	10.39	10.64
3 to 5	1.88	5.10	7.54	5.99	5.27	6.87	7.17
6 to 9	1.54	3.63	6.35	4.50	3.60	4.75	5.43
10 to 15	0.97	3.08	4.49	3.86	1.94	2.57	3.08
16 to 19	2.24	4.41	6.85	5.43	5.15	6.89	5.90
20 to 29	2.05	4.04	5.52	4.97	4.47	6.11	6.17
30 or more	3.72	7.32	8.91	11.68	7.99	10.02	15.70
Type of glass in windows							
Single-pane glass	1.08	2.69	4.56	3.17	3.11	3.79	4.27
Double-pane glass	0.61	1.17	2.00	1.40	1.47	1.85	1.90
Triple-pane glass	6.23	14.06	20.67	19.48	10.13	15.72	16.71
Window frame material							
Metal (aluminum)	0.90	2.93	6.48	3.27	3.32	4.23	4.72
Wood	1.09	2.58	3.36	3.18	2.35	2.98	2.89
Vinyl	1.32	2.94	3.56	4.00	3.13	3.63	5.11
Fiberglass	7.57	18.95	27.13	24.52	15.90	20.92	20.97
Composite	5.39	10.25	15.42	14.77	12.75	15.57	17.47
Number of sliding glass or French doors							
0	0.92	1.46	2.42	1.73	1.87	2.59	2.15
1	1.35	2.82	4.30	3.31	2.38	3.28	2.80
2	2.38	5.38	9.56	6.42	5.07	6.70	8.37
3 or more	2.64	6.39	10.70	8.08	8.42	12.41	12.43

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Electricity meter is a smart meter							
Yes	1.41	3.90	5.22	4.96	2.90	3.51	5.14
No	1.05	2.20	3.64	2.82	2.91	4.14	4.25
Don't know	0.87	2.50	3.12	3.10	1.85	2.37	2.92
Park a car within 20 feet of electrical outlet							
Yes	0.57	1.46	2.10	1.77	1.10	1.48	1.51
No	1.17	2.25	3.53	2.63	3.02	3.87	4.56
Not asked (apartments in buildings with 5 or more units)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Own or lease an all-electric or plug-in hybrid electric vehicle							
Yes	5.29	15.56	24.30	17.45	22.33	24.15	38.12
Charge at home	6.49	18.43	21.54	21.88	21.95	26.15	35.01
No	0.08	0.21	0.29	0.25	0.19	0.21	0.29
Natural gas available in neighborhood							
Yes	0.41	0.78	1.75	0.90	0.78	0.96	1.24
Uses natural gas	0.57	0.98	2.42	1.26	1.07	1.23	1.76
Does not use natural gas	2.51	6.36	7.55	9.07	5.50	7.41	7.23
No	1.08	2.47	3.01	3.79	3.82	5.15	5.17
Distributed solar generation							
Yes	3.96	7.94	10.18	11.96	16.78	22.14	22.61
No	0.16	0.44	0.86	0.53	0.23	0.27	0.39
Not asked (apartments)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Experienced power outage lasting more than 24 hours							
Yes	1.76	3.72	4.18	4.68	4.01	5.11	6.26
Natural disaster or weather event	2.16	3.73	4.56	4.54	4.73	6.20	6.03
Unable to pay electric bill	21.61	71.99	71.99	0.00	31.54	36.16	54.25
Utility had planned or unplanned blackout	5.22	17.50	37.02	20.03	13.96	17.63	23.19
Other reason for outage	17.58	30.43	73.16	31.57	43.89	60.02	57.59
No	0.40	1.07	1.51	1.22	0.74	0.99	1.06
Back-up generator in home							
Yes	1.83	3.36	4.52	4.70	3.92	4.75	6.16
No	0.31	0.74	1.30	0.93	0.73	0.94	0.97

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Swimming pool							
Yes	2.84	5.79	7.71	7.16	9.24	11.19	15.93
No	0.29	0.73	0.86	0.94	0.54	0.77	0.60
Not asked (apartments)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Months swimming pool is used							
0 to 3	5.86	9.98	12.70	13.42	15.28	18.91	25.14
4 to 7	4.70	7.93	12.98	10.02	11.26	12.75	21.50
8 to 12	7.88	51.30	72.71	71.36	44.66	56.83	74.57
No swimming pool	0.29	0.73	0.86	0.94	0.54	0.77	0.60
Not asked (apartments)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heated swimming pool and fuel							
Heated swimming pool	5.05	10.80	23.75	12.75	17.73	19.89	43.42
Electricity	10.05	20.82	32.63	28.78	30.63	34.75	70.67
Natural gas	9.08	14.73	100.19	14.98	25.07	25.76	100.35
Propane	14.72	21.95	41.75	27.62	35.81	52.37	54.67
Some other fuel	12.80	29.57	71.62	29.24	76.58	76.58	0.00
Unheated swimming pool	3.57	7.14	8.95	9.34	10.01	12.19	15.64
No swimming pool	0.29	0.73	0.86	0.94	0.54	0.77	0.60
Not asked (apartments)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hot tub							
Yes	2.50	6.01	10.34	8.19	7.94	10.10	9.42
No	0.19	0.40	0.72	0.54	0.48	0.64	0.53
Months hot tub is used							
0 to 3	4.05	9.30	15.45	11.95	11.05	14.44	15.78
4 to 7	7.56	15.58	29.94	18.60	20.69	24.61	28.74
8 to 12	4.76	13.66	14.37	18.59	11.47	14.92	14.83
No hot tub	0.19	0.40	0.72	0.54	0.48	0.64	0.53
Hot tub heating fuel							
Electricity	4.25	10.50	13.62	13.14	10.61	13.06	12.77
Natural gas	6.82	15.57	29.71	19.39	20.12	26.79	30.50
Some other fuel	14.27	25.02	28.99	39.35	48.33	72.26	57.30
Hot tub used 0 months	5.39	12.22	18.99	16.69	14.89	18.10	21.47
No hot tub	0.19	0.40	0.72	0.54	0.48	0.64	0.53

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Notes: See RECS Terminology for definition of terms used in these tables.

^a *Total U.S.* includes all primary occupied housing units in the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Vacant housing units, seasonal units, second homes, military houses, and group quarters are excluded.

^b The Building America program, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), created these climate regions. We combined climate regions for this publication. The Subarctic region is included with data for *Very-cold/Cold*.

^c Housing units are classified using criteria created by the U.S. Census Bureau based on 2010 Census data. Urbanized areas are densely settled groupings of blocks or tracts with 50,000 or more people, while urban clusters have at least 2,500 but less than 50,000 people. All other areas are rural.