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	Total South ^a	Total ^b	Heated	Cooled
All homes	51.49	95.96	80.39	78.80
Census division				
South Atlantic	27.38	51.89	42.49	43.23
East South Central	8.01	15.27	13.26	11.95
West South Central	16.11	28.80	24.64	23.62
Census urban-rural classification^c				
Urban	38.89	70.17	57.88	58.41
Rural	12.61	25.79	22.51	20.39
Climate region^d				
Very cold/Cold	0.38	0.82	0.74	0.59
Mixed-humid	25.39	49.76	43.93	39.83
Mixed-dry/Hot-dry	1.06	1.91	1.61	1.51
Hot-humid	24.66	43.47	34.10	36.87
Marine	N	N	N	N
Housing unit type				
Single-family detached	33.27	75.50	63.63	61.71
Single-family attached	3.01	4.68	3.80	3.83
Apartment in a building with 2-4 units	2.58	2.29	1.80	1.93
Apartment in a building with 5 or more units	8.81	8.71	6.89	7.57
Mobile home	3.83	4.78	4.25	3.76
Year of construction				
Before 1950	3.69	6.70	5.29	4.77
1950 to 1959	3.45	5.76	4.71	4.31
1960 to 1969	4.29	7.19	5.98	5.75
1970 to 1979	6.88	11.45	9.60	9.13
1980 to 1989	7.42	12.68	10.24	10.10
1990 to 1999	7.15	14.13	12.00	11.80
2000 to 2009	8.77	17.59	14.91	15.34
2010 to 2019	6.47	13.85	12.01	11.82
2020 to 2024	3.39	6.61	5.63	5.77

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Number of stories				
One story	23.07	44.61	36.08	35.29
Two stories	11.79	31.90	28.15	27.22
Three or more stories	0.86	2.29	1.99	1.89
Split-level	0.56	1.37	1.22	1.14
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	15.22	15.78	12.95	13.26
Number of indoor light bulbs used at least 4 hours a day				
0 to 2	20.40	33.24	27.53	27.07
3 to 5	13.18	24.16	19.80	19.07
6 to 9	9.27	18.38	15.60	15.29
10 to 19	6.71	15.49	13.37	13.15
20 or more	1.93	4.69	4.09	4.22
Total number of rooms (excluding bathrooms)				
One or two	1.92	1.30	1.00	1.02
Three	3.08	2.70	2.03	2.16
Four	6.19	6.79	5.23	5.47
Five	7.72	10.42	8.59	8.44
Six	9.85	15.79	13.00	12.64
Seven	8.38	17.09	14.24	13.71
Eight	6.08	15.04	12.68	12.36
Nine or more	8.28	26.82	23.61	23.00
Number of bedrooms				
None	0.78	0.58	0.46	0.51
One	4.75	3.75	3.03	3.11
Two	11.52	14.29	11.31	11.31
Three	22.02	40.97	34.28	32.84
Four	9.79	26.44	22.75	22.26
Five or more	2.64	9.94	8.56	8.76

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Basement				
Yes	6.66	19.19	16.20	15.27
Finished basement	4.57	13.45	11.91	11.45
Unfinished basement	2.08	5.73	4.29	3.82
No	29.62	60.99	51.24	50.27
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	15.22	15.78	12.95	13.26
Adequacy of insulation				
Well insulated	16.39	36.29	30.29	30.16
Adequately insulated	25.97	46.48	39.59	38.66
Poorly insulated	8.05	11.70	9.58	9.03
Not insulated	1.09	1.49	0.93	0.95
Type of glass in windows				
Single-pane glass	19.28	29.47	23.59	23.21
Double-pane glass	31.27	64.37	55.23	53.91
Triple-pane glass	0.95	2.12	1.57	1.67
Number of household members				
One person	16.36	25.34	21.19	20.73
Two persons	17.69	34.40	28.95	28.19
Three persons	7.15	14.27	12.01	11.67
Four persons	5.59	11.54	9.66	9.53
Five persons	2.79	6.29	5.38	5.48
Six or more persons	1.92	4.11	3.20	3.20
Annual household income				
Less than \$10,000	2.41	3.03	2.21	1.92
\$10,000 to \$14,999	2.44	3.17	2.41	2.13
\$15,000 to \$29,999	5.65	8.01	6.56	5.74
\$30,000 to \$59,999	12.51	19.25	15.64	15.57
\$60,000 to \$99,999	11.76	20.98	17.75	17.35
\$100,000 to \$199,999	12.03	27.19	23.41	23.61
\$200,000 or more	4.70	14.33	12.41	12.48

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All homes	51.49	95.96	80.39	78.80
Ownership of housing unit				
Owned	35.58	77.58	65.57	64.34
Rented ^e	15.91	18.38	14.82	14.46

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Office of Energy Demand and Integrated Statistics, Form EIA-457A of the 2024 Residential Energy Consumption Survey (RECS)

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

^a *Total South* includes all primary occupied housing units in the South Census Region. Vacant housing units, seasonal units, second homes, military houses, and group quarters are excluded.

^b Total square footage includes all basements, finished or conditioned (heated or cooled) areas of attics, and conditioned garage space that is attached to the home. Unconditioned and unfinished areas in attics and attached garages are excluded. The square footage of the home is based on respondent reports. For households that did not report an exact square footage estimate, the square footage of the home was imputed based on a reported square footage range and/or characteristics of the home.

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Relative standard errors (RSEs) for Table HC10.4 Total square footage of South homes, 2024

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	Total South ^a	Total ^b	Heated	Cooled
All homes	P	0.72	0.79	0.76
Census division				
South Atlantic	P	0.99	1.15	1.08
East South Central	P	1.51	1.42	1.76
West South Central	P	1.38	1.44	1.45
Census urban-rural classification^c				
Urban	0.68	1.17	1.15	1.13
Rural	2.09	2.56	2.49	3.13
Climate region^d				
Very cold/Cold	13.37	15.55	15.16	17.53
Mixed-humid	0.72	1.20	1.21	1.42
Mixed-dry/Hot-dry	8.65	10.05	10.92	11.22
Hot-humid	0.74	1.58	1.77	1.43
Marine	N	N	N	N
Housing unit type				
Single-family detached	0.01	0.84	0.89	0.91
Single-family attached	P	2.36	2.62	3.40
Apartment in a building with 2-4 units	P	2.17	4.76	3.82
Apartment in a building with 5 or more units	P	1.44	2.86	2.65
Mobile home	0.06	2.29	3.65	3.86
Year of construction				
Before 1950	P	3.11	3.44	3.52
1950 to 1959	P	3.62	3.99	4.36
1960 to 1969	P	3.06	3.47	3.52
1970 to 1979	P	2.18	2.93	2.80
1980 to 1989	P	2.27	2.74	2.54
1990 to 1999	P	2.32	2.38	2.56
2000 to 2009	P	1.77	2.35	1.93
2010 to 2019	2.83	3.54	3.38	3.63
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One story	1.07	1.43	1.61	1.77
Two stories	2.34	2.42	2.42	2.46
Three or more stories	10.36	12.21	11.43	13.34
Split-level	12.75	15.14	15.27	15.85
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	0.02	1.09	2.00	1.82
Number of indoor light bulbs used at least 4 hours a day				
0 to 2	1.91	2.31	2.28	2.36
3 to 5	2.47	3.34	3.57	3.34
6 to 9	3.64	4.10	4.04	4.05
10 to 19	3.77	4.55	4.63	4.82
20 or more	6.84	6.86	7.01	7.00
Total number of rooms (excluding bathrooms)				
One or two	8.51	8.81	10.47	9.63
Three	5.97	7.53	7.30	7.02
Four	3.96	4.37	4.25	4.86
Five	3.95	4.18	4.41	4.49
Six	2.82	3.05	3.19	3.16
Seven	3.86	4.20	4.36	4.15
Eight	3.76	4.14	4.23	4.22
Nine or more	2.77	3.09	3.11	3.13
Number of bedrooms				
None	14.14	19.66	23.41	21.09
One	4.24	4.41	5.06	5.71
Two	2.54	2.90	3.33	3.44
Three	1.78	2.08	2.16	2.23
Four	3.16	3.36	3.28	3.36
Five or more	5.70	6.07	6.28	6.49

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Number of household members				
One person	2.13	2.74	2.63	2.76
Two persons	1.95	2.10	2.13	1.97
Three persons	4.34	4.56	4.60	4.80
Four persons	3.97	3.99	4.40	4.40
Five persons	5.88	7.15	7.78	7.61
Six or more persons	7.94	8.62	9.38	8.18
Annual household income				
Less than \$10,000	7.14	7.89	7.95	9.07
\$10,000 to \$14,999	6.54	7.50	8.59	8.06
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