A Closer Look at New Mexico Counties
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The U.S. Census Bureau’s American Community Survey (ACS) produces 1-year, 3-year, and 5-year estimates on demographic, social, economic, and housing data. The 5-year estimates, which have the largest sample size and are the most reliable, are produced for small geographies, including county.

Using the most recent 2009–2013 5-Year ACS estimates, we’ve created a visual analysis of selected demographic measures for New Mexico counties. Additional ACS measures can be found on the American FactFinder website—http://factfinder.census.gov.

### AGE

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<td>McKinley</td>
<td>Most Likely to Have School-Aged Children</td>
<td>17%</td>
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<td>32% higher</td>
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<td>Sierra</td>
<td>Least Likely to Have School-Aged Children</td>
<td>9%</td>
<td>32% lower</td>
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<td>Catron</td>
<td>Most Likely to Have Persons 65 and older</td>
<td>33%</td>
<td>142% higher</td>
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<td>McKinnel</td>
<td>Least Likely to Have Persons 65 and older</td>
<td>10%</td>
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### GENDER

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<td>Guadalupe</td>
<td>Highest Concentration of Males</td>
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<td>Concentration of Women</td>
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<td>Lowest Concentration of Males</td>
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<td>Concentration of Women</td>
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### Median Age

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### Counties not reported

- Catron
- De Baca
- Guadalupe
- Harding
- Mora
- Hidalgo
- Union
**RACE/ETHNICITY**

- **Mora**
  - 82 PERCENT of the population identified as Hispanic or Latino, compared to just 47% statewide and 17% nationwide.
  - Runners Up: Guadalupe & San Miguel

- **De Baca, McKinley, Santa Fe, Taos**
  - 51 PERCENT of the population identifying as White alone (not Hispanic or Latino), less than one percentage point above the state average, but 12 percentage points below the national average.
  - Runner Up: Harding

- **McKinley**
  - 14 PERCENT of the population identified as Hispanic or Latino, compared to just 47% statewide and 17% nationwide.
  - Runner Up: Los Alamos

**LANGUAGE**

- **Rio Arriba**
  - 63 PERCENT of the population reported speaking a language other than English at home, 27 percentage points higher than the state average and 42 percentage points higher than the national average.
  - Runner Up: Mora

- **Los Alamos**
  - 16 PERCENT of the population reported speaking a language other than English at home, 20 percentage points lower than the state average and 4 percentage points lower than the national average.
  - Runner Up: Colfax

**MARITAL STATUS**

- **Los Alamos**
  - 65 PERCENT of residents reported being currently married, compared to 47% and 49% within the state and nation, respectively.
  - Runner Up: Catron

- **McKinley**
  - 34 PERCENT of residents reported being currently married, compared to 47% and 49% within the state and nation, respectively.
  - Runner Up: Socorro

**INCOME**

- **Los Alamos**
  - $54,490 Median income, 130% higher than that of the state and 106% higher than that of the nation.
  - Runner Up: Sandoval

- **Guadalupe**
  - $14,560 Median income, 38% lower than that of the state and 45% lower than that of the nation.
  - Runner Up: Sierra
**EDUCATION**

Los Alamos

97 PERCENT of the population has a high school diploma or higher degree, 13 percentage points higher than the state average and 11 percentage points higher than the national average.

Runner Up: Sandoval

High school graduate

69 PERCENT of the population has a high school diploma or higher degree, 15 percentage points lower than the state average and 18 percentage points lower than the national average.

Runner Up: Lea

Luna

Includes persons 25 years old or older with or without a higher degree.

Counties not reported: All are reported

**Runner Up: Sandoval**

Los Alamos

63 PERCENT of the population has a bachelor's degree or higher degree, 38 percentage points higher than the state average and 35 percentage points higher than the national average.

Runner Up: Santa Fe

College graduate

10 PERCENT of the population has a bachelor's degree or higher degree, 15 percentage points lower than the state average and 18 percentage points lower than the national average.

Runner Up: McKinley

Cibola

Includes persons 25 years old or older with a bachelor's degree or higher.

Counties not reported: Catron, De Baca, Guadalupe, Harding, Mora, Sierra, Union

**Runner Up: Santa Fe**

**FAMILIES**

McKinley

5.2 PERSONS per family, 1.9 persons more than the average family within the state and 2.0 persons more than the average family within the nation.

Runner Up: Mora

Average family size

2.8 PERSONS per family, 0.5 fewer persons than the average family within the state and 4.0 fewer persons than the average family within the nation.

Runner Up: Los Alamos

Catron

2.8 PERSONS per family, 0.5 fewer persons than the average family within the state and 4.0 fewer persons than the average family within the nation.

Runner Up: Los Alamos

**VETERANS**

Otero

19 PERCENT of the population are veterans, eight percentage points higher than the state average and 10 percentage points higher than the national average.

Runner Up: Sierra

Veterans

6 PERCENT of the population are veterans, five percentage points lower than the state average and three percentage points lower than the national average.

Runner Up: Roosevelt

McKinley

Counties not reported: Catron, De Baca, Guadalupe, Harding, Hidalgo, Mora, Union

Runner Up: Roosevelt
**HOUSEHOLDS**

**Lea**

36 PERCENT of households reported having children under the age of 18, compared to 29% in the state as a whole and 30% nationwide.

**Runners Up:** Curry

**Socorro**

18 PERCENT of households reported having children under the age of 18, compared to 29% in the state as a whole and 30% nationwide.

**Counties not reported:** Catron, De Baca, Guadalupe, Harding, Hidalgo, Mora, Sierra

**Runners Up:** Quay

**McKinley**

4.1 PERSONS per household, 1.4 persons larger than the state average and 1.5 persons larger than the national average.

**Average household size**

2.2 PERSONS per household, 0.4 persons smaller than the state and national averages.

**Runners Up:** Socorro

**Catron**

**RESIDENCE**

**Union**

76 PERCENT of the population did not move within the last year, compared to 85% in the state and nation as a whole.

**Runners Up:** Roosevelt

**Mobility: Persons who have moved in the last year**

**Socorro**

94 PERCENT of the population did not move within the last year, compared to 85% in the state and nation as a whole.

**Counties not reported:** Catron, De Baca, Guadalupe, Harding, Hidalgo, Mora, Sierra

**Runners Up:** McKinley

**McKinley**

78 PERCENT of the population was born in New Mexico, compared to the state average of 52% and the national average of 59% (birth and resident state are the same).

**Native New Mexicans**

Los Alamos

30 PERCENT of the population was born in New Mexico, compared to the state average of 52% and the national average of 59% (birth and resident state are the same).

**Counties not reported:** All are reported

**Runners Up:** Catron

Counties not reported represent those where the margin of error was 20 percent or more of the estimated value of the measure. The above represent selected demographic measures. Additional measures can be evaluated.

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 2009-2013 5-Year American Community Survey, Tables: S0101, S0601, S1501, and DP02