



## Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies Quick Facts

### African Americans

Population in United States: 34,658,190 (12.3% of total)<sup>1</sup>

Median Age: 30.2<sup>2</sup>

Average Household Size: 3<sup>3</sup>

Marital Status (15+ years of age)<sup>4</sup>:

Married, Spouse Present: 31.8%

Married, Spouse Absent: 2%

Divorced: 10.7%

Never Married: 44.8%

Other: 10.7%

Education (age 18 and over)<sup>5</sup>:

High School Graduate or Above: 81%

Some College, No Degree: 20.6%

Bachelor's Degree: 11.6%

Advanced Degree: 4.6%

Median Income: 30,439<sup>6</sup>

Geographic Location<sup>7</sup>:

South: 54.3%

Midwest: 18.3%

Northeast: 18.3%

West: 9.1%

Voting Record<sup>8</sup>:

Citizens Registered to Vote: 60.9%

Citizens Who Voted (2006): 41% (67.3% of those registered)

**For More Information:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/African\\_American](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/African_American)  
<http://www.africanamericans.com/>

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<sup>1</sup> US Census Bureau, "Overview of Race and Hispanic Origin, 2000."

<http://www.census.gov/population/www/cen2000/briefs/index.html>.

<sup>2</sup> US Census Bureau, "Age, 2000." <http://www.census.gov/population/www/cen2000/briefs/index.html>.

<sup>3</sup> US Census Bureau, "Average Number of People per Household."

<http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/hh-fam/cps2007.html>.

<sup>4</sup> US Census Bureau, "Marital Status of People 15 Years or older."

<http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/hh-fam/cps2007.html>.

<sup>5</sup> US Census Bureau, "Education Attainment of the Population 18 Years and Older."

<http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/education/cps2007.html>.

<sup>6</sup> US Census Bureau, "Comparison of Summary Measures of Income..."

<http://www.census.gov/prod/2001pubs/p60-213.pdf>

<sup>7</sup> US Census Bureau, "Population by Region, Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin, With Percent Distribution by Race and Hispanic Origin: March 2004." <http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/race/ppl-186.html>.

<sup>8</sup> US Census Bureau, "Voting and Registration in the Election of November, 2006."

<http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/voting.html>.