

## Data Dictionary for Housing Units

Field	Description
Community	Name of the community. 218 communities were identified for the purposes of the profiles.
total_number	Total number of housing units
median_value	Median value of one unit
median_rent	Median rent per unit
renter_occupied	Number of renter-occupied units
%renter_occupied	% of units occupied by renters
owner_occupied	Number of owner-occupied units
%owner_occupied	% of units occupied by the owners
vacant	Number of vacant units
%vacant	% of units that are vacant

**Data notes:**

1. Because the Census is conducted in two parts, a complete and a sample survey, it is possible to find two numbers, which should logically be the same, but which are slightly different. Also, due to the effects of rounding, percentages may not always add to exactly 100%.
2. No attempt was made to carry the accuracy of reported percentages beyond two decimal places (.01); therefore segments of the population making up less than 0.5% were generally reported as 0%.
3. The total number of housing units is not always the sum of the number of renter-occupied, owner-occupied, and vacant units. This is because total housing units, rather than total year-round housing units were used in some cases. The differences are quite small, 0.06% across the whole county.
4. Persons per household and persons per family for an area are averages for each component tract within the area unless values for the total area were presented in summary form.
5. Many of the 1980 neighborhood boundaries for the City of Pittsburgh neighborhoods had changed from their 1960 and 1970 boundaries. To derive 1970 values for neighborhoods, conversion formulas provided by the City of Pittsburgh's Dept. of Planning were used. Conversion formulas were not prepared by the City for areas, which were estimated to have changed by less than 5%. Separate conversion formulas were used for items that used people as a unit of measurement and those that used households or housing units as a unit measurement.

**Data Sources:**

1980 US Census; May 1982 Voter Registration Report; November 1982 Post-Election Report; 1980 Standard Occupational Classification Manual