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## **Sutter County By The Numbers: Getting Ready For The 2010 Census**

Sutter County men and women are married at higher rates than the rest of the U.S. population. Both household and family incomes in Sutter County are larger than the U.S. average, but so are the households and families, which is why per capita income in Sutter County is below the national average.

This is all according to the American Community Survey project of the U.S. Census Bureau, an ongoing survey that is conducted between the official Census counts every 10 years.

In March of 2010, the Census Bureau will be sending out questionnaires for the 2010 official census of all residents of the United States. Because the county's population is tied to federal and state funding allocations to the county, Sutter County officials will be assisting the federal government in getting a complete count of all county residents.

Individuals interested in serving on a Sutter County Census Committee are encouraged to contact Chuck Smith, Sutter County Public Information Officer, at 530-822-7100. Those interested in working as a census taker are encouraged to contact the Census Bureau at 866-861-2010.

According to data profile highlights from the 2007 American Community Survey, 54.8 percent of Sutter County men 15 years of age or older are married and living with their spouse, compared to 52.4 percent of the rest of the nation's men; and 52.2 percent of Sutter County women 15 years of age or older are married, compared to 48.4 percent of the rest of the nation's women.

The average household size in Sutter County is 3.01 people, compared to a national average of 2.61 people. The average family size is 3.57 people compared to 3.20 for the nation as a whole. The median household income in Sutter County of \$51,688 annually is larger than the \$48,451 national average, and the \$62,769 median family income in Sutter County is larger than the \$58,526 national average.

Per capita income (income divided by every man, woman and child) in Sutter County is \$22,744—the national per capita income was pegged at 25,267.

Other information provided in the survey: Sutter County has more veterans, more disabled, and more foreign born residents than the national average, and fewer residents graduate from high school or get a college degree than the rest of the nation.

Sutter County residents own homes at a lower rate and rent at a higher rate than the rest of the nation. The median value of a home in Sutter County, according to the survey, which used 2007 figures, was \$335,000. The national average value of a home: \$185,200.

Men make up more of the population, and women less, than the national average. Teenagers and those 65 or over make up less of the Sutter County population than the national average.

American Community Service website:

<http://www.census.gov/acs/www/>