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	Number of housing units (million)	Total square footage (billion square feet)		
	Total South ^a	Total ^b	Heated	Cooled
All homes	46.84	84.59	73.55	71.01
Census division				
South Atlantic	24.84	45.32	38.70	38.40
East South Central	7.38	13.86	12.35	11.24
West South Central	14.62	25.42	22.50	21.37
Census urban/rural classification^c				
Urban	35.88	62.55	53.73	53.04
Urbanized area	32.00	56.11	47.97	47.89
Urban cluster	3.88	6.44	5.76	5.15
Rural	10.96	22.04	19.82	17.97
Climate region^d				
Very cold/Cold	0.38	0.73	0.65	0.47
Mixed-humid	23.61	45.28	41.00	37.13
Mixed-dry/Hot-dry	1.02	1.72	1.48	1.38
Hot-humid	21.84	36.87	30.42	32.04
Marine	N	N	N	N
Housing unit type				
Single-family detached	30.29	66.17	57.50	55.45
Single-family attached	2.48	3.87	3.36	3.22
Apartments in buildings with 2–4 units	2.36	2.13	1.80	1.79
Apartments in buildings with 5 or more units	7.83	7.54	6.35	6.63
Mobile homes	3.89	4.89	4.55	3.93
Year of construction				
Before 1950	3.73	6.72	5.58	4.71
1950 to 1959	3.55	5.66	4.91	4.36
1960 to 1969	4.35	6.97	5.99	5.67
1970 to 1979	6.97	10.91	9.50	9.09
1980 to 1989	7.44	12.57	10.84	10.54
1990 to 1999	7.75	15.03	13.22	13.23
2000 to 2009	7.74	16.28	14.14	14.08
2010 to 2015	2.94	5.74	5.21	5.13
2016 to 2020	2.38	4.73	4.15	4.21

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Number of stories				
1 story	21.41	39.58	33.61	32.31
2 stories	10.25	27.75	24.82	24.06
3 or more stories	0.63	1.66	1.49	1.42
Split-level	0.49	1.04	0.93	0.88
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	14.08	14.56	12.70	12.35
Fuels used for any use (more than one may apply)				
Electricity	46.84	84.59	73.55	71.01
Natural gas	20.11	40.58	36.39	34.47
Propane ^e	4.18	9.22	8.08	7.44
Wood	3.81	8.52	7.85	6.93
Fuel oil or kerosene	0.64	1.26	1.05	0.79
Distributed solar generation				
Yes	0.67	1.51	1.27	1.32
No	35.98	73.42	64.13	61.28
Not asked (apartments)	10.19	9.67	8.15	8.41
Main space heating fuel				
Natural gas	15.54	32.70	29.96	28.00
Electricity	25.76	42.63	39.21	35.82
Fuel oil or kerosene	0.47	1.03	0.86	0.66
Propane	1.39	2.93	2.55	2.16
Wood	0.60	1.08	0.96	0.67
Some other fuel ^f	Q	Q	Q	Q
Do not use heating equipment	3.08	4.22	0.00	3.70
Air-conditioning equipment				
Uses air-conditioning equipment	44.12	80.66	70.24	71.01
Does not use air-conditioning equipment	2.72	3.93	3.31	0.00
Fuel used by main water heater				
Natural gas	14.14	29.03	25.98	24.87
Electricity	31.27	52.23	44.70	43.48
Propane	1.27	3.08	2.67	2.50
Fuel oil or kerosene	0.09	0.17	0.14	0.11
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Indoor light bulbs used at least 4 hours a day				
0 to 2	18.08	28.71	24.43	23.53
3 to 5	11.64	19.89	17.29	16.56
6 to 9	8.78	16.42	14.35	13.83
10 to 19	6.43	14.49	12.89	12.56
20 or more	1.91	5.08	4.59	4.54
Total number of rooms (excluding bathrooms)				
1 or 2	1.26	0.83	0.70	0.66
3	2.59	2.12	1.69	1.73
4	5.41	5.62	4.76	4.37
5	7.92	10.03	8.49	8.01
6	8.91	14.17	12.16	11.66
7	7.75	14.99	13.11	12.55
8	5.51	12.93	11.27	11.01
9 or more	7.49	23.91	21.38	21.03
Number of bedrooms				
0	0.47	0.37	0.23	0.25
1	4.47	3.45	2.97	2.81
2	11.07	13.49	11.42	10.79
3	20.34	36.97	32.48	30.86
4	8.46	22.68	19.53	19.62
5 or more	2.03	7.64	6.93	6.68
Basement				
Yes	6.01	17.48	14.78	13.51
Finished basement	3.98	11.57	10.55	9.83
Unfinished basement	2.03	5.91	4.22	3.68
No	26.75	52.55	46.08	45.16
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	14.08	14.56	12.70	12.35
Adequacy of insulation				
Well insulated	14.18	29.83	26.22	25.49
Adequately insulated	24.48	43.28	37.64	36.82
Poorly insulated	7.12	10.35	8.83	7.94
No insulation	1.07	1.14	0.86	0.76

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Type of glass in windows				
Single-pane glass	19.05	28.06	23.67	22.76
Double-pane glass	27.04	55.11	48.77	47.08
Triple-pane glass	0.75	1.42	1.11	1.17
Number of household members				
1 member	12.59	17.74	15.42	14.32
2 members	17.64	33.08	29.05	28.22
3 members	7.01	13.95	12.17	11.74
4 members	5.64	11.58	10.02	9.84
5 members	2.46	5.14	4.26	4.35
6 or more members	1.51	3.10	2.64	2.55
2020 annual household income				
Less than \$5,000	1.91	2.13	1.73	1.39
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1.68	1.86	1.56	1.31
\$10,000 to \$19,999	4.15	5.26	4.40	3.80
\$20,000 to \$39,999	10.18	14.44	12.42	11.68
\$40,000 to \$59,999	7.97	13.38	11.43	11.08
\$60,000 to \$99,999	9.96	18.76	16.61	16.12
\$100,000 to \$149,999	5.48	12.66	11.16	11.16
\$150,000 or more	5.51	16.09	14.25	14.47

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Ownership of housing unit^g				
Owned	32.27	68.06	59.58	57.88
Rented	14.57	16.53	13.97	13.13

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Office of Energy Demand and Integrated Statistics, Form EIA-457A of the *2020 Residential Energy Consumption Survey*

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All homes	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Census division				
South Atlantic	53.04	53.57	52.62	54.08
East South Central	15.76	16.38	16.79	15.83
West South Central	31.21	30.05	30.59	30.09
Census urban/rural classification^c				
Urban	76.59	73.94	73.06	74.69
Urbanized area	68.31	66.33	65.23	67.43
Urban cluster	8.29	7.61	7.83	7.26
Rural	23.41	26.06	26.94	25.31
Climate region^d				
Very cold/Cold	0.80	0.87	0.88	0.66
Mixed-humid	50.40	53.52	55.75	52.29
Mixed-dry/Hot-dry	2.18	2.03	2.01	1.94
Hot-humid	46.62	43.58	41.36	45.11
Marine	N	N	N	N
Housing unit type				
Single-family detached	64.66	78.22	78.17	78.08
Single-family attached	5.29	4.57	4.56	4.53
Apartments in buildings with 2–4 units	5.03	2.52	2.45	2.51
Apartments in buildings with 5 or more units	16.72	8.91	8.63	9.34
Mobile homes	8.30	5.78	6.18	5.54
Year of construction				
Before 1950	7.96	7.94	7.59	6.63
1950 to 1959	7.58	6.69	6.68	6.14
1960 to 1969	9.28	8.23	8.15	7.98
1970 to 1979	14.87	12.90	12.91	12.79
1980 to 1989	15.88	14.85	14.74	14.84
1990 to 1999	16.55	17.77	17.98	18.63
2000 to 2009	16.53	19.24	19.22	19.83
2010 to 2015	6.28	6.79	7.09	7.22
2016 to 2020	5.08	5.59	5.65	5.92

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All homes	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Number of stories				
1 story	45.70	46.79	45.70	45.50
2 stories	21.87	32.81	33.75	33.88
3 or more stories	1.34	1.97	2.02	2.00
Split-level	1.04	1.23	1.27	1.23
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	30.06	17.21	17.26	17.39
Fuels used for any use (more than one may apply)				
Electricity	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Natural gas	42.92	47.97	49.48	48.53
Propane ^e	8.92	10.89	10.98	10.47
Wood	8.14	10.07	10.67	9.76
Fuel oil or kerosene	1.37	1.49	1.43	1.12
Distributed solar generation				
Yes	1.44	1.78	1.72	1.86
No	76.81	86.79	87.19	86.29
Not asked (apartments)	21.76	11.43	11.08	11.85
Main space heating fuel				
Natural gas	33.17	38.65	40.73	39.43
Electricity	55.00	50.39	53.31	50.44
Fuel oil or kerosene	1.01	1.22	1.17	0.93
Propane	2.96	3.47	3.47	3.04
Wood	1.28	1.27	1.31	0.94
Some other fuel ^f	Q	Q	Q	Q
Do not use heating equipment	6.57	4.99	0.00	5.21
Air-conditioning equipment				
Uses air-conditioning equipment	94.19	95.35	95.49	100.00
Does not use air-conditioning equipment	5.81	4.65	4.51	0.00
Fuel used by main water heater				
Natural gas	30.18	34.31	35.32	35.02
Electricity	66.75	61.74	60.78	61.22
Propane	2.71	3.64	3.63	3.52
Fuel oil or kerosene	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.15
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Indoor light bulbs used at least 4 hours a day				
0 to 2	38.60	33.94	33.22	33.13
3 to 5	24.86	23.52	23.50	23.32
6 to 9	18.74	19.41	19.51	19.48
10 to 19	13.73	17.13	17.52	17.68
20 or more	4.09	6.01	6.25	6.39
Total number of rooms (excluding bathrooms)				
1 or 2	2.69	0.98	0.95	0.93
3	5.54	2.50	2.30	2.43
4	11.54	6.64	6.47	6.16
5	16.90	11.85	11.54	11.28
6	19.03	16.75	16.53	16.42
7	16.55	17.71	17.83	17.67
8	11.76	15.28	15.32	15.50
9 or more	15.99	28.27	29.07	29.61
Number of bedrooms				
0	0.99	0.44	0.31	0.36
1	9.54	4.08	4.04	3.95
2	23.63	15.94	15.52	15.20
3	43.43	43.70	44.15	43.46
4	18.07	26.81	26.55	27.63
5 or more	4.34	9.03	9.43	9.40
Basement				
Yes	12.84	20.67	20.09	19.03
Finished basement	8.51	13.68	14.35	13.84
Unfinished basement	4.33	6.99	5.74	5.18
No	57.11	62.12	62.65	63.59
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	30.06	17.21	17.26	17.39
Adequacy of insulation				
Well insulated	30.27	35.26	35.65	35.89
Adequately insulated	52.25	51.16	51.17	51.85
Poorly insulated	15.19	12.24	12.00	11.18
No insulation	2.28	1.35	1.17	1.08

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Type of glass in windows				
Single-pane glass	40.67	33.17	32.18	32.06
Double-pane glass	57.73	65.15	66.31	66.30
Triple-pane glass	1.60	1.68	1.51	1.64
Number of household members				
1 member	26.89	20.97	20.96	20.17
2 members	37.65	39.11	39.50	39.73
3 members	14.96	16.49	16.54	16.53
4 members	12.04	13.69	13.62	13.86
5 members	5.25	6.07	5.79	6.12
6 or more members	3.21	3.67	3.59	3.59
2020 annual household income				
Less than \$5,000	4.08	2.52	2.35	1.96
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3.60	2.20	2.11	1.84
\$10,000 to \$19,999	8.85	6.22	5.98	5.35
\$20,000 to \$39,999	21.74	17.07	16.89	16.45
\$40,000 to \$59,999	17.01	15.82	15.55	15.60
\$60,000 to \$99,999	21.26	22.17	22.58	22.70
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\$150,000 or more	11.76	19.03	19.37	20.38

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Ownership of housing unit^g				
Owned	68.90	80.45	81.01	81.50
Rented	31.10	19.55	18.99	18.49

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Census division				
South Atlantic	0.00	0.85	0.98	0.98
East South Central	0.00	1.58	1.53	1.64
West South Central	0.00	1.40	1.42	1.57
Census urban/rural classification^c				
Urban	0.61	0.98	1.14	1.04
Urbanized area	0.87	1.18	1.40	1.22
Urban cluster	4.29	4.73	4.85	5.35
Rural	1.99	2.21	2.15	2.26
Climate region^d				
Very cold/Cold	8.76	9.97	9.97	10.61
Mixed-humid	0.61	1.01	1.02	1.13
Mixed-dry/Hot-dry	9.05	10.72	9.90	10.47
Hot-humid	0.71	1.25	1.83	1.36
Marine	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Housing unit type				
Single-family detached	0.00	0.83	0.90	0.82
Single-family attached	0.00	2.46	2.83	2.82
Apartments in buildings with 2–4 units	0.00	2.73	3.63	3.91
Apartments in buildings with 5 or more units	0.00	1.44	2.69	1.92
Mobile homes	0.00	1.77	2.22	3.07
Year of construction				
Before 1950	0.00	2.80	2.57	3.85
1950 to 1959	0.00	3.00	3.00	3.35
1960 to 1969	0.00	2.33	2.48	2.66
1970 to 1979	0.00	2.07	2.31	2.19
1980 to 1989	0.00	1.93	2.28	2.02
1990 to 1999	0.00	2.06	2.25	2.24
2000 to 2009	0.00	1.79	2.07	1.87
2010 to 2015	3.94	5.30	5.45	5.42
2016 to 2020	4.87	5.02	5.07	4.78

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Number of stories				
1 story	1.03	1.46	1.45	1.52
2 stories	1.99	2.34	2.35	2.33
3 or more stories	9.77	10.90	11.15	10.79
Split-level	10.31	11.07	11.43	11.11
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	0.00	1.01	1.72	1.52
Fuels used for any use (more than one may apply)				
Electricity	0.00	0.69	0.79	0.68
Natural gas	1.37	1.63	1.59	1.65
Propane ^e	4.25	4.58	4.53	4.55
Wood	3.89	4.30	4.27	4.83
Fuel oil or kerosene	12.40	12.98	12.90	13.49
Distributed solar generation				
Yes	11.82	12.39	14.00	12.94
No	0.22	0.85	0.85	0.82
Not asked (apartments)	0.00	1.35	2.38	1.83
Main space heating fuel				
Natural gas	1.74	2.02	2.04	2.10
Electricity	1.24	1.50	1.57	1.54
Fuel oil or kerosene	13.81	13.79	14.09	14.87
Propane	5.91	8.43	8.11	8.50
Wood	10.65	13.02	11.91	15.38
Some other fuel ^f	100.58	100.58	100.58	100.58
Do not use heating equipment	6.86	6.67	0.00	6.79
Air-conditioning equipment				
Uses air-conditioning equipment	0.30	0.76	0.82	0.68
Does not use air-conditioning equipment	4.79	5.90	6.00	0.00
Fuel used by main water heater				
Natural gas	1.97	2.14	2.16	2.27
Electricity	1.02	1.32	1.41	1.37
Propane	7.96	8.75	8.46	8.94
Fuel oil or kerosene	27.75	27.69	30.36	32.98
Some other fuel ^f	41.13	41.03	51.78	47.80

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0 to 2	1.73	2.30	2.39	2.42
3 to 5	2.14	2.75	2.72	2.56
6 to 9	2.73	3.41	3.34	3.43
10 to 19	3.40	4.04	4.13	4.17
20 or more	6.82	7.10	7.21	7.28
Total number of rooms (excluding bathrooms)				
1 or 2	9.62	10.43	11.41	11.51
3	6.07	6.90	6.59	8.28
4	4.16	4.36	4.58	4.96
5	3.85	3.94	3.84	4.37
6	2.60	2.67	3.13	2.86
7	2.96	3.17	3.19	3.13
8	3.77	3.69	3.73	3.83
9 or more	2.75	2.67	2.65	2.68
Number of bedrooms				
0	16.75	22.38	20.17	21.55
1	4.25	4.56	4.71	4.79
2	2.35	2.84	3.14	3.13
3	1.60	1.69	1.71	1.88
4	3.05	3.31	3.27	3.26
5 or more	5.86	6.25	6.41	6.39
Basement				
Yes	2.77	3.12	2.94	2.93
Finished basement	3.56	4.16	3.93	3.91
Unfinished basement	5.48	6.43	6.64	7.19
No	0.62	1.02	1.26	1.06
Not asked (apartments and mobile homes)	0.00	1.01	1.72	1.52
Adequacy of insulation				
Well insulated	2.24	2.62	2.61	2.60
Adequately insulated	1.29	1.53	1.48	1.37
Poorly insulated	3.80	4.49	4.36	4.99
No insulation	9.81	11.02	11.52	11.88

Relative standard errors (RSEs) for Table HC10.4 Total square footage of South homes, 2020

	RSEs for number of housing units		RSEs for total square footage	
	Total South ^a	Total ^b	Heated	Cooled
All homes	0.00	0.69	0.79	0.68
Type of glass in windows				
Single-pane glass	1.68	2.13	2.40	2.43
Double-pane glass	1.18	1.37	1.40	1.30
Triple-pane glass	11.09	11.55	12.91	13.14
Number of household members				
1 member	2.07	2.48	2.46	2.66
2 members	1.50	1.82	1.99	1.82
3 members	2.94	3.48	3.52	3.43
4 members	3.52	3.84	4.13	3.90
5 members	6.83	7.88	7.82	8.04
6 or more members	7.69	8.10	8.53	8.81
2020 annual household income				
Less than \$5,000	7.49	9.07	9.01	10.81
\$5,000 to \$9,999	7.81	8.21	8.13	9.27
\$10,000 to \$19,999	4.55	5.45	5.35	5.84
\$20,000 to \$39,999	2.82	3.29	3.04	3.40
\$40,000 to \$59,999	3.07	3.51	3.36	3.48
\$60,000 to \$99,999	2.86	3.07	3.19	3.30
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3.33	3.83	3.49	3.81
\$150,000 or more	2.93	3.38	3.54	3.32

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All homes	0.00	0.69	0.79	0.68
Ownership of housing unit^c				
Owned	0.71	1.07	1.09	1.01
Rented	1.57	2.39	2.46	2.62

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Office of Energy Demand and Integrated Statistics, Form EIA-457A of the *2020 Residential Energy Consumption Survey*

Notes: 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. Previous RECS cycles calculated square footage based on interviewer measurements. 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. See *2020 RECS Square Footage Methodology* for full details about data collection and processing.

^c Housing units are classified using criteria created by the U.S. Census Bureau based on 2010 Census data. Urbanized areas are densely settled groupings of blocks or tracts with 50,000 or more people, while urban clusters have at least 2,500 but less than 50,000 people. All other areas are rural.

^d The Building America program, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), created these climate regions. We combined climate regions for this publication. The Subarctic region is included with data for *Very-cold/Cold*.

^e Households that use propane only for outdoor grilling are excluded from the RECS estimate of households using propane.

^f *Some other fuel* includes coal and district steam.

^g *Rented* includes households that occupy their primary housing unit without paying rent.