



Community Development Data Inventory

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About This Guide

This data inventory is intended to help community development practitioners and researchers reach their organizational missions via a collection of timely, relevant, and publicly available data sources. The purposes of this guide are to assist community development stakeholders in navigating the breadth of available resources and to make the data more user friendly.

The guide focuses on resources to inform key community development issues, including demographics, the economy and jobs, housing, and education. For each resource, the guide includes an overview of the data, a description of the methodology and accompanying variables, links to training guides and additional information, and a few illustrations of the resources themselves.

This collection is by no means exhaustive and will be updated periodically by the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. If you have rudimentary questions about any of the resources in this inventory or if you would like to recommend resources to include in future updates, please contact Keith Wardrip (keith.wardrip@phil.frb.org; 215-574-3810). Specific questions that require a greater familiarity with the data sets should be directed to the publisher of the data.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia does not endorse or favor any particular data resource included in this guide, and the authors take responsibility for any unintentional mischaracterizations of the resources described in the following pages. The views expressed here are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia or the Federal Reserve System. To access this guide online, please visit www.philadelphiafed.org/community-development/data-dashboard.

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American Community Survey

U.S. Census Bureau

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

About the Data

The American Community Survey (ACS) is a national survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau that gathers information on demographic, social, economic, and housing characteristics. The survey samples approximately 3 million households annually, and the resulting data are useful for myriad community development issues and applications.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Standard Census Geographies	2013	Annually	CSV, XLS, microdata

Methodology and Data Sources

The ACS questionnaire is distributed to approximately 3 million addresses annually to generate a nationally representative sample of households. Estimates are released each year covering the most recent one-, three-, and five-year periods. One-year estimates are most appropriate for large geographic areas, while only five-year estimates are available for the least populous areas.

Select Variables

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age | <input type="checkbox"/> Household Structure | <input type="checkbox"/> Rent and Mortgage Costs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ancestry | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing Size and Type | <input type="checkbox"/> School Enrollment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disability | <input type="checkbox"/> Income | <input type="checkbox"/> Sex |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Attainment | <input type="checkbox"/> Poverty | <input type="checkbox"/> Tenure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employment | <input type="checkbox"/> Race/Ethnicity | <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Status |

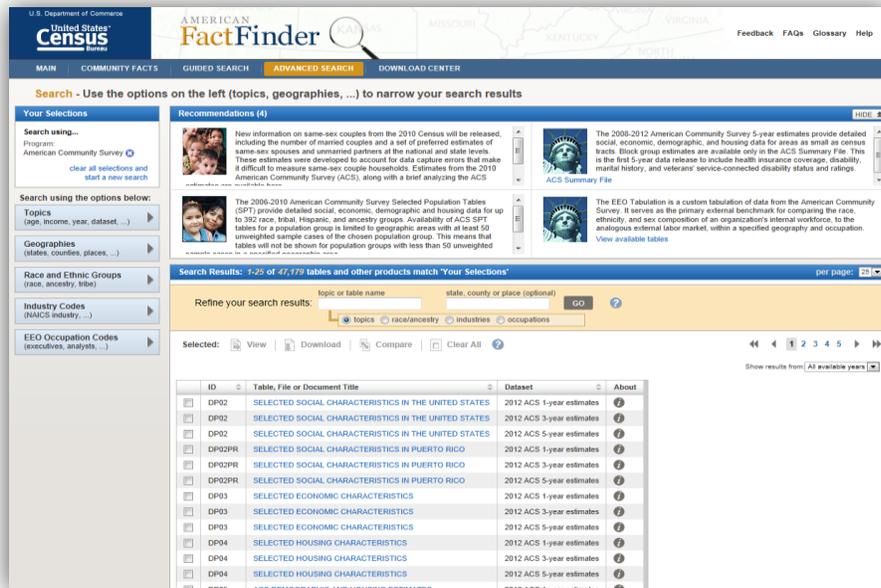
Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resources:

- ACS Handbooks for Data Users
http://www.census.gov/acs/www/guidance_for_data_users/handbooks/
- ACS Training Presentations
http://www.census.gov/acs/www/guidance_for_data_users/training_presentations/
- ACS E-Tutorial
http://www.census.gov/acs/www/guidance_for_data_users/e_tutorial/

Accessing This Data Set

ACS data can be accessed in a variety of ways, but the primary platform is through American FactFinder at <http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml>.



American FactFinder, one of the U.S. Census Bureau's online data tools, lets users access the ACS's data tables and other products.

Contact Information

Customer Help Center: 1-800-923-8282
For online help, go to <https://ask.census.gov/>.

Source

U.S. Census Bureau

American FactFinder

U.S. Census Bureau

<http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml>

About the Data

American FactFinder serves as the primary online platform for users to access the U.S. Census Bureau’s data sets, including the Decennial Census of Population and Housing, the American Community Survey, the Economic Census, and the Census of Governments. The website lets users quickly access Community Facts, work through a Guided Search process, or use an Advanced Search feature to view or download data for an array of standard census geographies.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Standard Census Geographies	Varies by data set	Varies by data set	CSV, PDF, RTF, XLS, microdata

Methodology and Data Sources

Each resource available on American FactFinder is a product of the U.S. Census Bureau. The methods and frequency of data collection vary, and for many, detailed methodological information can be found on the U.S. Census Bureau’s website (<http://www.census.gov/>).

Select Data Sets

- American Community Survey
- American Housing Survey
- Census of Governments
- Commodity Flow Survey
- Decennial Census
- Economic Census
- Equal Employment Opportunity Tabulation
- Population Estimates Program
- Puerto Rico Community Survey
- Survey of Business Owners

Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resources:

- The American FactFinder (AFF): Access to Census Statistics
https://www.census.gov/mso/www/training/pdf/new_AFF_presentation.ppt
- American FactFinder Virtual Tour
http://factfinder2.census.gov/help/en/tutorials/virtual_tour.htm
- FAQs: How to Cite Tables and Maps in American FactFinder
<https://ask.census.gov/faq.php?id=5000&faqId=519>

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Using This Tool

Community Facts
Find popular facts (population, income, etc.) and frequently requested data about your community.

Enter a state, county, city, town, or zip code:
e.g., Atlanta, GA

Guided Search

Advanced Search

Download Center

Guided Search - Step-by-step access to Census Information

1 Start 2 Topics 3 Geographies 4 Race/Ethnic Groups 5 Search Results 6 Table Viewer

Choose from one of the following and click **Next**

- I'm looking for information about **people** (age, sex, income, poverty, education, ...)
- I'm looking for information about **housing** (housing units, household type, value of home, ...)
- I'm looking for information about **businesses or industries** (annual payroll, sales and receipts, number of employees, ...)
- I'm looking for information from a specific **dataset** (2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2007 Economic Census, 2010 Census Summary File 1, ...)
- I want to search for a **table number** or a **table title** (P1, EC0700A1, B04*, Social Characteristics, ...)

Note that the guided search searches for tables using a subset of search methods and most requested geographies. For more search options and to select from all available geographies, use the [Advanced Search](#).

Above, left: Users can opt to access Community Facts or choose to download data through one of American FactFinder's other features. Above, right: The Guided Search helps users navigate the available data sets.

Below: The image depicts a sample data table. Users can modify, bookmark, print, or download the data from American FactFinder.

DP02 | SELECTED SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS IN THE UNITED STATES | 2012 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

Table View | [BACK TO ADVANCED SEARCH](#)

Actions: [Modify Table](#) | [Bookmark](#) | [Print](#) | [Download](#) | [Create a Map](#) | [View Geography Notes](#)

Although the American Community Survey (ACS) produces population, demographic and housing unit estimates, it is the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program that produces and disseminates population for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns and estimates of housing units for states and counties.

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Subject	Alabama				Alaska				Arizona				Arkansas			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE																
Total households	1,845,169	+/-11,483	1,845,169	(X)	251,651	+/-2,883	251,651	(X)	2,392,168	+/-11,611	2,392,168	(X)	1,143,859	+/-7,351	1,143,859	
Family households (families)	1,233,937	+/-11,653	66.9%	+/-0.5	166,400	+/-3,894	66.1%	+/-1.3	1,560,687	+/-15,808	65.2%	+/-0.5	758,601	+/-8,707	66.3%	
With own children under 18 years	502,537	+/-9,611	27.2%	+/-0.5	82,259	+/-3,610	32.7%	+/-1.3	674,358	+/-11,858	28.2%	+/-0.5	315,273	+/-6,202	27.6%	
Married-couple family	883,291	+/-10,427	47.9%	+/-0.5	123,248	+/-3,766	49.0%	+/-1.4	1,122,884	+/-13,816	46.9%	+/-0.5	557,982	+/-8,150	48.8%	
With own children under 18 years	323,513	+/-8,869	17.5%	+/-0.5	54,673	+/-2,715	21.7%	+/-1.0	429,016	+/-10,065	17.9%	+/-0.4	206,752	+/-5,393	18.1%	
Male householder, no wife present, family	73,078	+/-4,173	4.0%	+/-0.2	13,531	+/-1,406	5.4%	+/-0.6	129,258	+/-5,883	5.4%	+/-0.2	50,353	+/-3,392	4.4%	
With own children under 18 years	30,024	+/-2,586	1.6%	+/-0.1	7,327	+/-1,172	2.9%	+/-0.5	69,892	+/-5,167	2.9%	+/-0.2	25,000	+/-2,081	2.2%	
Female householder, no husband present, family	277,568	+/-6,487	15.0%	+/-0.3	29,621	+/-2,492	11.8%	+/-1.0	308,545	+/-8,683	12.9%	+/-0.4	150,266	+/-4,975	13.1%	
With own children under 18 years	149,000	+/-5,144	8.1%	+/-0.3	20,259	+/-2,544	8.1%	+/-1.0	175,450	+/-6,917	7.3%	+/-0.3	83,521	+/-3,988	7.3%	
Nonfamily households	611,232	+/-10,091	33.1%	+/-0.5	85,251	+/-3,436	33.9%	+/-1.3	831,481	+/-13,246	34.8%	+/-0.5	385,258	+/-7,418	33.7%	

Contact Information	Phone: 301-763-INFO (4636) E-mail: FactFinder@census.gov
Source	U.S. Census Bureau

Building Permits Survey

U.S. Census Bureau

<http://www.census.gov/construction/bps/>

About the Data

The Building Permits Survey provides data at a variety of geographic scales on the planned construction of privately owned residential units and developments.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Place, County, MSA, State, Region, Nation	July 2014	Monthly	CSV, PDF, TXT, XLS

Methodology and Data Sources

The data are collected from local building permit offices and are reported on a voluntary basis. Data from all permit-issuing places are collected annually. To complement annual data collection, a survey is administered monthly to 9,000 permit-issuing places, or just under half of the 20,000 places included in annual data collection efforts.

Select Variables

- Number of Buildings
- Number of Units
- Valuation of Permitted Units

Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resources:

- Building Permits Definitions
<http://www.census.gov/construction/bps/definitions/>
- How the Data Are Collected
http://www.census.gov/construction/bps/how_the_data_are_collected/

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Accessing This Data Set

Above: The Building Permits Survey portal allows users to query data by geographic level; the portal contains additional resources and publications about residential construction.

Below: The image depicts sample data output. The tool lets users find data by month and by year. Moreover, the data can be directly downloaded in a variety of formats.

2014 Building Permits

Monthly New Privately-Owned Residential Building Permits
Kent County, Delaware (001)

Month: June Year: 2014

Item	Current Month						Cumulative Year to Date					
	Estimates with Imputation			Reported only			Estimates with Imputation			Reported only		
	Buildings	Units	Construction cost	Buildings	Units	Construction cost	Buildings	Units	Construction cost	Buildings	Units	Construction cost
Browse Single Family	89	89	11,906,845	87	87	11,743,178	436	436	61,468,859	434	434	61,305,192
Browse Two Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	235,790	1	2	235,790
Browse Three and Four Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	317,352	1	4	317,352
Browse Five or More Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Browse Total	89	89	11,906,845	87	87	11,743,178	438	442	62,022,001	436	440	61,858,334

Ignored data not available for the time period
U.S. Bureau of the Census
g Permit Estimates - U.S., State, and Metropolitan Areas [Click this](#)

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Source

U.S. Census Bureau

County/Zip Code Business Patterns

U.S. Census Bureau

<http://www.census.gov/econ/cbp/index.html>

About the Data

The County and Zip Code Business Patterns data sets contain small-area economic statistics by industry, including indicators on employment, payroll, and the number of establishments operating within a given geography.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Zip Code, County, MSA, State, Nation	2012	Annually	CSV, TXT

Methodology and Data Sources

The County and Zip Code Business Patterns data sets are compiled using data from the U.S. Census Bureau-managed Business Register and other Census Bureau products, including the Economic Census, the Annual Survey of Manufactures, and Current Business Surveys. This data set provides data on establishments, which refer to specific physical locations and not necessarily entire companies. The data set excludes government employees and those who are self-employed.

Select Variables

- Number of Business Establishments
- Paid Employees
- Payroll

Additional Resources

For additional information, please refer to the following online resources:

- About the Data
<http://www.census.gov/econ/cbp/overview.htm>
- Historical Data
<http://www.census.gov/econ/cbp/historical.htm>
- How the Data Are Collected
<http://www.census.gov/econ/cbp/methodology.htm>
- County Business Patterns Data User Guide
<http://www.census.gov/econ/cbp/CBP%20User%20Guide%202014.pdf>

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Accessing This Data Set

**County Business Patterns (CBP)
ZIP Code Business Patterns (ZBP)**

County Business Patterns (CBP) is an annual series that provides subnational economic data by industry. This series includes the number of establishments, employment during the week of March 12, first quarter payroll, and annual payroll. This data is useful for studying the economic activity of small areas; analyzing economic changes over time, and as a benchmark for other statistical series, surveys, and databases between economic censuses. Businesses use the data for analyzing market potential, measuring the effectiveness of sales and advertising programs, setting sales quotas, and developing budgets. Government agencies use the data for administration and planning.

ZIP Code Business Patterns data is available shortly after the release of County Business Patterns. It provides the number of establishments by employment-size classes by detailed industry in the U.S.

These two programs cover most of the country's economic activity based on establishments, with a few noted exclusions. For more information on the coverage and methodology of CBP, see [How the Data are Collected](#). For information on businesses without paid employees, see [Nonemployer Statistics](#).

Data for 2012 were released in May 2014. For help accessing the data via hypertext tables or American FactFinder, please refer to the [Data User Guide \[PDF\]](#).

For Internet Explorer 9 and 10 enable [Compatibility View](#) in the event tables do not display properly.

For frequently asked questions (FAQs), visit [Ask.Census.gov](#) or click the FAQs tab at the top of the screen. Enter 'CBP' or 'County Business Patterns' into the search box to narrow the results.

View data in tables

ZIP Code

U.S., States, and Counties ^{1,4} (1998-2012) Select Area United States

Puerto Rico (2003-2012) and Island Areas (2006 to 2012) Select Area Puerto Rico

Zip Codes ² (1998 to 2012) Enter 5-digit ZIP Code

Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas ³ (1998-2012) Select Area Aberdeen, SD Micro Area

Data in other formats for manipulation and analysis

- Extract and manipulate data in the [New American FactFinder](#).
- Download the data in [Comma-Separated Value \(.csv\)](#) format starting with year 1986.
- See the discussion of [Historical CBP Data](#) for earlier years, including data for selected years on CD-ROM.
- For help accessing the data via hypertext tables or American FactFinder, please refer to the [Data User Guide \[PDF\]](#).

The County and Zip Code Business Patterns online portal lets users view data tables for each of the available geographic scales. It also features options for viewing and downloading historical data.

2012 County Business Patterns (NAICS)

State: Pennsylvania | County: Bucks County, PA

NAICS code	NAICS code description	Paid employees for pay period including March 12 (number)	First-quarter payroll (\$1,000)	Annual payroll (\$1,000)	Total establishments
Compare	Total for all sectors	249,881	2,571,868	10,692,156	18,918
Detail Compare	11--- Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	27	5	1,106	1
Detail Compare	21--- Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	5	1,375	6,133	1
Detail Compare	22--- Utilities	6	D	D	1
Detail Compare	23--- Construction	13,951	188,421	836,869	1
Detail Compare	31--- Manufacturing	26,411	343,154	1,418,471	1
Detail Compare	42--- Wholesale Trade	16,086	240,971	995,033	1
Detail Compare	44--- Retail Trade	37,680	232,234	969,283	1
Detail Compare	48--- Transportation and Warehousing	6,070	57,656	236,137	1
Detail Compare	51--- Information	6,575	107,455	401,679	1
Detail Compare	52--- Finance and Insurance	8,881	161,720	602,616	1
Detail Compare	53--- Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	3,582	36,170	152,104	1
Detail Compare	54--- Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	18,805	313,532	1,322,252	2,331
Detail Compare	55--- Management of Companies and Enterprises	5,509	117,170	475,230	140
Detail Compare	56--- Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	20,910	153,080	662,205	1,209
Detail Compare	61--- Educational Services	3,283	42,584	178,265	230
Detail Compare	62--- Health Care and Social Assistance	39,785	376,210	1,599,351	2,017
Detail Compare	71--- Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	6,566	31,019	134,537	260

As an example of an output table from a County Business Patterns query, this image illustrates the data for detailed employment sectors.

Save as text file

Save as csv file

Change Geographic Area

[ask.census.gov](#)

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For information on businesses with no paid employees, see [Nonemployer Statistics](#)

Data tables can be downloaded as either CSV or TXT files.

Contact Information	Phone: 301-763-2580 E-mail: epcd.county.business.patterns@census.gov
Source	U.S. Census Bureau

Decennial Census of Population and Housing

U.S. Census Bureau

<http://www.census.gov/2010census/>

About the Data

The Decennial Census of Population and Housing is a constitutionally mandated census of the full population that provides data on key demographic, social, and housing characteristics for all standard geographies. Prior to 2010, a short form that collected basic demographic data from all households was supplemented by a long form that asked additional questions of a sample of the population. From 2010 onward, the long form has been replaced by the American Community Survey.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Standard Census Geographies	2010	Every 10 Years	CSV, XLS, microdata

Methodology and Data Sources

The Decennial Census provides population and household counts, as well as information on select characteristics (e.g., age, race/ethnicity, and tenure). Data are collected through mail-in questionnaires and, when necessary, door-to-door visits. Because the short form questionnaire is distributed to the full population, the results are not estimates; however, estimates derived from the long form prior to 2010 are based on only a sample of the population.

Select Variables

- Age
- Housing Tenure
- Housing Vacancy
- Population Density
- Race and Ethnicity
- Sex
- Total Population

Before 2010, the Decennial Census used the long form and included additional data, similar to the information provided in the American Community Survey today.

Additional Resources

For additional information, please refer to the following online resources:

- How the Census Benefits Your Community
<http://www.census.gov/2010census/about/community-benefits.php>
- 2010 Census Questions and Answers
<http://www.census.gov/2010census/about/answers.php>
- FAQs: 2010 Census
<http://ask.census.gov/faq.php?id=5000&rtopic=1807>

Accessing This Data Set

Decennial Census data can be accessed in several ways, but the primary platform to reach 2000 and 2010 data is American FactFinder at <http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml>.

Data from earlier censuses can be found at <http://www.census.gov/population/www/censusdata/hiscendata.html>.

The screenshot shows the American FactFinder website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'U.S. Department of Commerce' and 'United States Census Bureau' logos. Below this is a search bar and a map of the United States. The main navigation menu includes 'MAIN', 'COMMUNITY FACTS', 'GUIDED SEARCH', 'ADVANCED SEARCH', and 'DOWNLOAD CENTER'. The 'ADVANCED SEARCH' tab is selected.

The search results page displays 'Search Results: 1-25 of 771 tables and other products match "Your Selections"'. The results are listed in a table with columns for ID, Table, File or Document Title, Dataset, and About. The table lists various data tables for the 2010 SF1 100% Data, including profiles for general population, housing characteristics, tenure, household size, age, sex, race, and ethnicity.

ID	Table, File or Document Title	Dataset	About
DP-1	Profile of General Population and Housing Characteristics: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?
QT-H1	General Housing Characteristics: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?
QT-H2	Tenure, Household Size, and Age of Householder: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?
QT-H3	Household Population and Household Type by Tenure: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?
QT-P1	Age Groups and Sex: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?
QT-P10	Hispanic or Latino by Type: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?
QT-P11	Households and Families: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?
QT-P12	Household Relationship and Group Quarters Population: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?
QT-P13	Group Quarters Population by Sex, Age, and Type of Group Quarters: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?
QT-P2	Single Years of Age and Sex: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?
QT-P3	Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?
QT-P4	Race, Combinations of Two Races, and Not Hispanic or Latino: 2010	2010 SF1 100% Data	?

American FactFinder, one of the U.S. Census Bureau's online data tools, gives users access to 2000 and 2010 census data.

Contact Information	Customer Help Center: 1-800-923-8282 For online help, go to https://ask.census.gov/ .
Source	U.S. Census Bureau

Earned Income Tax Credit Interactive

Brookings Institution

<http://www.brookings.edu/research/interactives/eitc>

About the Data

The Brookings Institution’s Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Interactive website enables users to view IRS tax return data for all individual filers, regardless of whether they received the EITC. Data are aggregated to standard census geographies.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Zip Code, Place, County, Congressional District, MSA, State	2012	Annually	CSV

Methodology and Data Sources

The underlying data are provided to the Brookings Institution by the IRS at the zip code level. The Brookings Institution aggregates this information to other larger geographic areas.

Select Variables

- New Returns
- Number of Returns Filed on Forms 1040, 1040A, and 1040EZ
- Number of Returns Receiving EITC or Child Tax Credit
- Number of Returns Receiving Refunds
- Number of Returns in Various Adjusted Gross Income Categories
- Total Value of the Child Tax Credit
- Total Value of the EITC
- Total Value of Refunds

Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resource:

- EITC Interactive User Guide and Data Dictionary
<http://www.brookings.edu/~media/Multimedia/Interactives/2014/eitc/UserGuideUpdateTY12.pdf>

Accessing This Data Set

Interactive | April 15, 2014

Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Interactive and Resources




EITC Interactive

The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Interactive provides users with access to IRS data on federal individual income tax filers. Information on all tax filers and on filers who claim the EITC are available for all ZIP codes, cities, counties, metropolitan areas, states, state legislative districts, and congressional districts in the United States. [Click here to read the user guide \(PDF\)](#).

Find Tax Return Data

SELECT A TAX YEAR

SELECT A GEOGRAPHY TYPE

NARROW BY STATE

Download Data File (CSV)

You've chosen to download tax year 2012 data for all metropolitan areas in all states.

See [A Note on Important Changes to EITC Interactive](#) for more information and guidance on working with EITC Interactive data.

The EITC Interactive interface allows users to download customizable data tables that can be filtered by tax year and geography.

Contact Information	E-mail: Elizabeth Kneebone ekneebone@brookings.edu
Source	Brookings Institution

Home Mortgage Disclosure Act Data

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

<http://www.consumerfinance.gov/hmda/explore>

About the Data

The Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) requires financial institutions to publicly disclose data on their mortgage lending activity. This information is now available at the application or loan level, or in the form of summary tables, through an interactive tool managed by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB).

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Most Standard Census Geographies	2013	Annually	CSV, XML

Methodology and Data Sources

Most mortgage lending institutions in metropolitan areas are required to annually report data on mortgage applications and originations to the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC). These data are now available through the CFPB's online tool from 2007 through 2013. HMDA data provide information on loan applicants, lenders, properties and their neighborhoods, and the loans themselves.

Select Variables

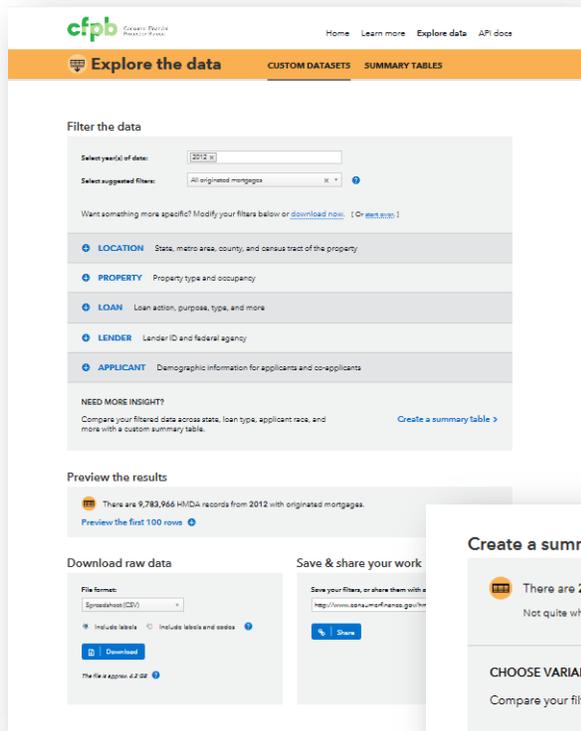
- Applicant Demographics
- High Price Status
- Lender
- Lien Status
- Loan Action
- Loan Amount
- Loan Purpose
- Loan Type

Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resources:

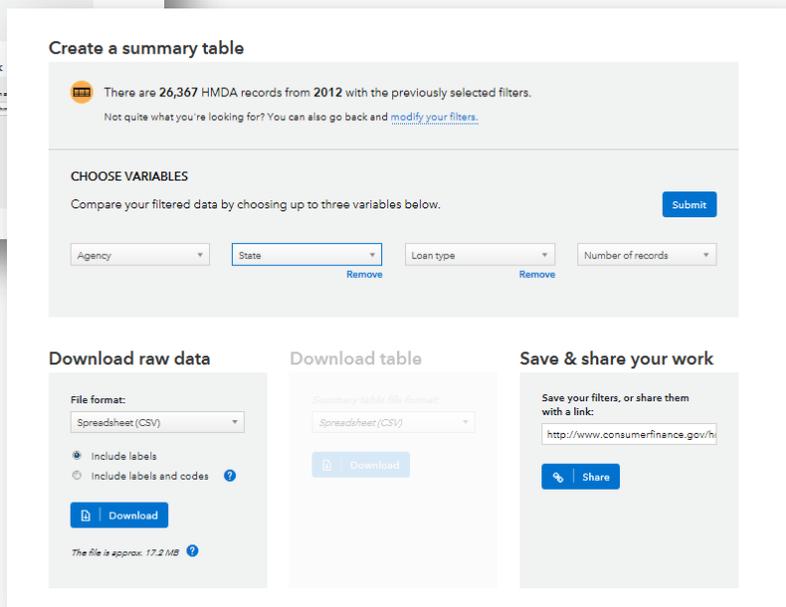
- FFIEC HMDA Background Information and Resources
<http://www.ffiec.gov/hmda/default.htm>
- CFPB's "What is HMDA?" Video
<http://www.consumerfinance.gov/hmda/#video>
- Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia's Analysis of HMDA data
<http://philadelphiafed.org/community-development/data-dashboard/hmda-data.cfm>

Accessing This Data Set



Left: With CFPB’s tool, users can generate custom tables that can be filtered by year, location, property type, loan type, lender, and the demographic characteristics of applicants.

Below: Users can also choose up to three variables for each summary table and download or share the raw data.



<p>Contact Information</p>	<p>Phone: 855-411-2372 E-mail for general inquiries: info@consumerfinance.gov</p>
<p>Source</p>	<p>Consumer Financial Protection Bureau</p>

LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics

Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics Program

U.S. Census Bureau

<http://onthemap.ces.census.gov/>

About the Data

The Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD) program at the U.S. Census Bureau produces a number of data sets that are useful for studying a local economy. One such data set, the LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics (LODES) data series, helps users understand, analyze, and visualize where people work and where workers live. The data are accessible primarily via the OnTheMap application.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Standard Census Geographies	2011	Annually (Uses Second Quarter Data)	HTML, KML, PDF, SHP

Methodology and Data Sources

The LODES data set is compiled from a variety of sources, including unemployment insurance earnings data, the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, and a number of other censuses and surveys.

Select Variables

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Age | <input type="checkbox"/> Job Type |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earnings | <input type="checkbox"/> Ownership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Race and Ethnicity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Firm Age and Size | <input type="checkbox"/> Sex |

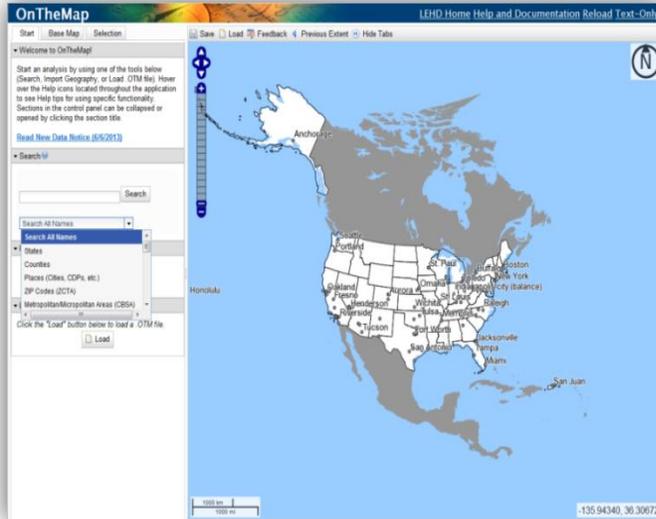
Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resources:

- Getting Started with OnTheMap
<http://lehd.ces.census.gov/doc/help/onthemap/GettingStartedwithOnTheMap.pdf>
- OnTheMap: Data Overview
<http://lehd.ces.census.gov/doc/help/onthemap/OnTheMapDataOverview.pdf>
- OnTheMap: Sample Area Profile Analysis
<http://lehd.ces.census.gov/doc/help/onthemap/OnTheMapSampleAPAnalysis.pdf>
- OnTheMap: Sample Distance/Direction Analysis
<http://lehd.ces.census.gov/doc/help/onthemap/OnTheMapSampleDDAnalysis.pdf>
- Tutorials for Select OnTheMap Tools
http://lehd.ces.census.gov/applications/help/onthemap.html#!more_tutorials

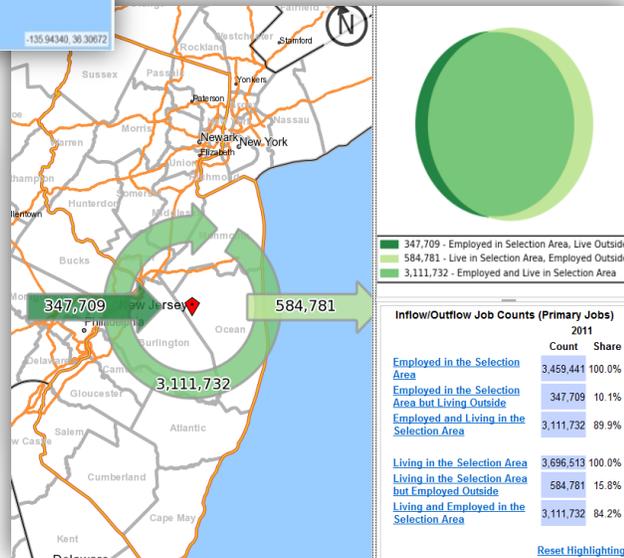
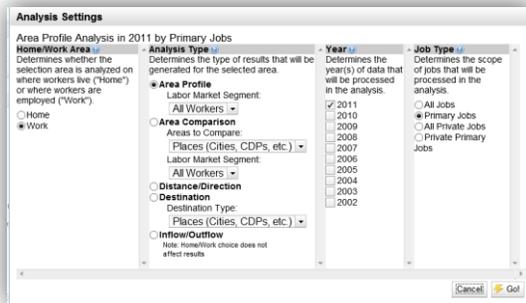
Accessing This Data Set

The primary platform for accessing the LODES data set is OnTheMap. The data set can also be downloaded at <http://lehd.ces.census.gov/data/>.



Left: OnTheMap enables users to analyze employment data at a variety of geographic scales, including zip codes, counties, and metropolitan areas.

Below, left: The tool performs the analysis for workers based on where they work or live. Reports can be run for specific geographic areas or for particular labor market segments. Below, right: This image is a sample of an inflow-outflow analysis for New Jersey.



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Source

Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics Program
U.S. Census Bureau

Location Affordability Index

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

U.S. Department of Transportation

<http://www.locationaffordability.info/lai.aspx>

About the Data

The Location Affordability Index estimates the combined cost of housing and transportation at the census block group level. Recognizing that transportation costs are frequently a household's second-largest expense after housing, this data set offers users a way to combine these costs to calculate a more nuanced and highly localized measure of affordability.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Block Group, Census Tract, Place, County, CBSA	2010	Periodically	CSV

Methodology and Data Sources

The Location Affordability Index is calculated using six federal data sets as well as data compiled by the Center for Neighborhood Technology. The online calculator can be used to develop separate cost estimates for homeowners and renters and can accommodate several different household types.

Select Variables

- Annual Miles Driven
- Car Ownership
- Combined Costs of Housing and Transportation
- Transit Ridership
- Transportation and Housing Costs as Percentage of Income

Additional Resources

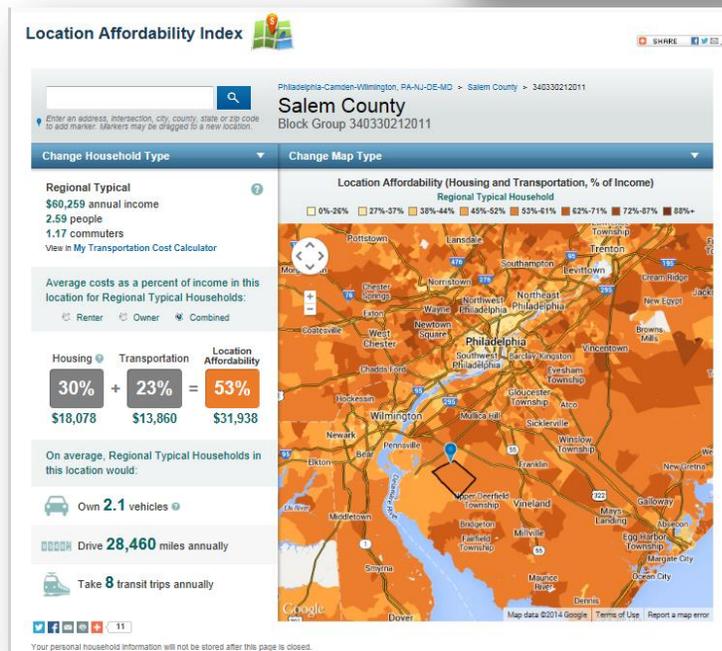
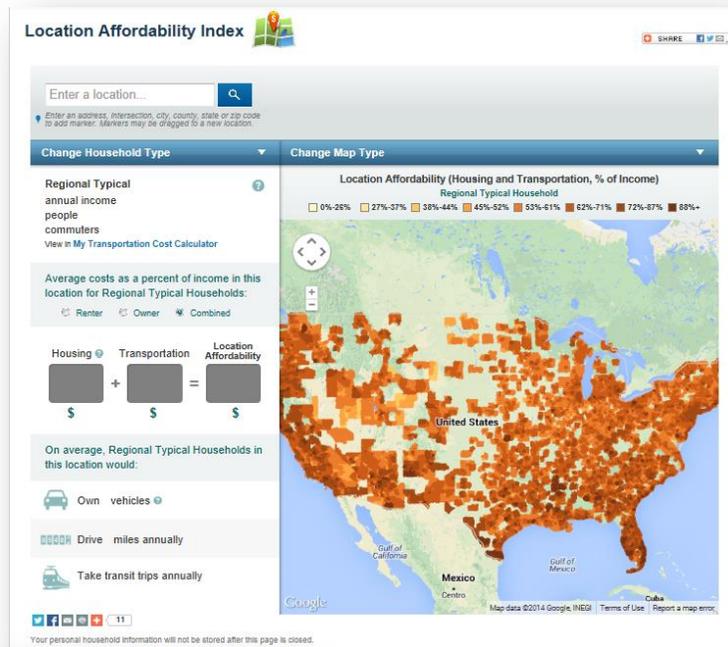
For more information, please refer to the following online resources:

- Location Affordability Index User Guide
http://www.locationaffordability.info/lai.aspx?url=user_guide.php
- Data Download
<http://www.locationaffordability.info/lai.aspx?url=download.php>
- Video Tutorial
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7chvorxoC3w&feature=youtu.be>
- Data and Methodology
<http://www.locationaffordability.info/LAPMethods.pdf>

Accessing This Data Set

Right: The Location Affordability Index online tool gives users a way to analyze the combined cost of housing and transportation in neighborhoods covering 94 percent of the U.S. population. Data can be downloaded at multiple geographic levels.

Below: The tool displays the share of household income consumed by housing and transportation costs. Estimates can be modified by tenure and household type.



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<p>Source</p>	<p>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development U.S. Department of Transportation</p>

Market at a Glance

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

<http://www.huduser.org/portal/ushmc/mag.html>

About the Data

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD's) *Market at a Glance* report summarizes an area's recent housing market, population, and economic trends. This is one of many resources available on HUD's U.S. Housing Market Conditions website.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
County, MSA, State, Region	2014	Monthly	PDF

Methodology and Data Sources

Data sets from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the U.S. Census Bureau are used to compile the *Market at a Glance* reports.

Select Variables

- Building Permits
- Economic Conditions
- Housing Market Conditions
- Migration
- Population

Additional Resources

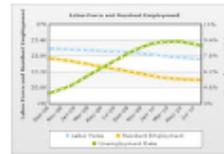
For more information, the U.S. Housing Market Conditions website also includes:

- In-Depth Local Housing Market Data and Analysis
http://www.huduser.org/portal/ushmc/home.html#state_map
- National Housing Market Data and Analysis
<http://www.huduser.org/portal/ushmc/home.html>

Accessing This Report

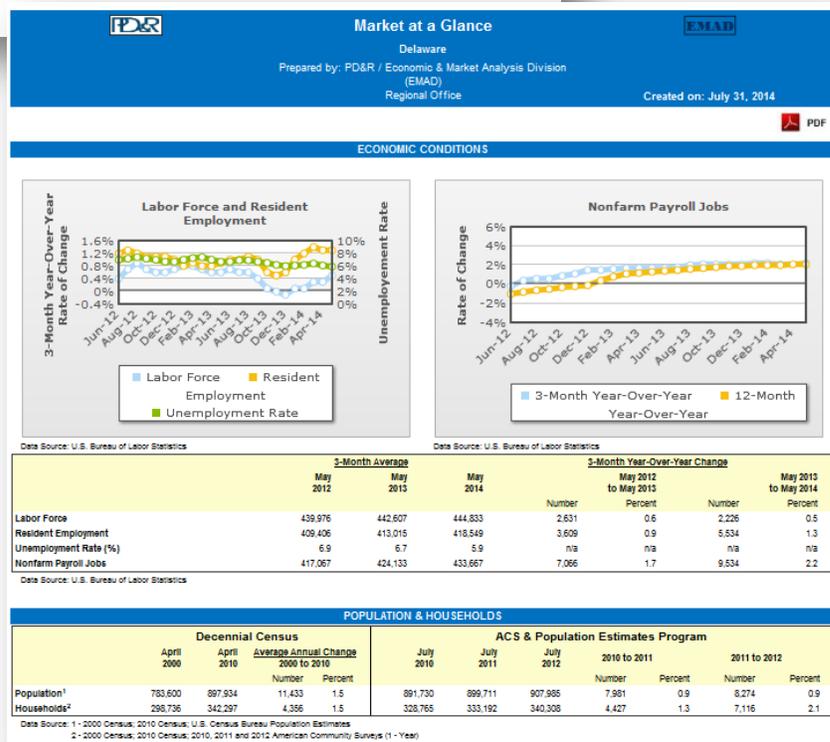
Market-at-a-Glance

The "Market at a Glance" reports for the counties and metropolitan areas are based on data from BLS (Bureau of Labor Statistics), and American Community Survey data from the U.S. Census Bureau. Some adjustments are made by HUD field economists based on regional information. The data is expected to be released on monthly basis for most of the metropolitan areas and counties. *Note: Readers who incorporate portions of the content from this publication in their own works, both print and electronic, are requested to give full attribution to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Policy Development and Research.*



Please Select a Category

Above: Market at a Glance reports can be created for counties, MSAs, states, and regions. Right: This sample report examines state-level data for Delaware. The data are produced in graphical and tabular form; these reports can be downloaded as PDFs.



Contact Information

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Please use *Market at a Glance* as the subject line.

Source

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

National Housing Preservation Database

Public and Affordable Housing Research Corporation

National Low Income Housing Coalition

<http://www.preservationdatabase.org/>

About the Data

The National Housing Preservation Database was created by the Public and Affordable Housing Research Corporation and the National Low Income Housing Coalition to provide an address-level directory of federally subsidized housing units. The database offers data in tabular form and through an interactive mapping tool. The database contains information about the federal subsidy, the contract, and the owner of each of the properties. This information is valuable for assessing the sustainability of subsidized housing properties and for informing affordable housing preservation efforts.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Address-level	2014	Triannually	CSV, XLS

Methodology and Data Sources

The data, which come from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), include information on nine different housing subsidy programs. The advantage of using this database, rather than information from the individual programs, is that it combines information from these programs and presents it at the property level, which gives users a better understanding of subsidy layering for affordable housing in a given community.

Select Variables

- Beginning and Ending Dates of Subsidy Periods
- Inspection Scores (i.e., REAC Scores)
- Location of Property
- Management and Ownership
- Number of Units
- Type of Subsidy

Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resource:

- National Housing Preservation Database User Guide
http://www.preservationdatabase.org/National%20Housing%20Preservation%20Database_User%20Guide.pdf

Accessing This Data Set

To access this database, users must first register at <http://www.preservationdatabase.org/nhpd/Register.aspx>.

Data Grid Subsidy Filters

Active and Inactive
 Active Only
 Inactive Only

Subsidy Ending Before:

HUD PBRA
 HUD Insured
 Section 202 Direct Loans
 Project-Based Section 8
 Section 236
 LIHTC
 RAP
 Section 221(e)(3)B/MIR
 Home
 Rent Supp
 Non-Subsidized HUD Insured
 Rural Dev. 515
 Section 202
 Rural Dev. 538
 Section 811
 Public Housing
 State HFA 236

Right click on column headers to remove or show additional columns.

Property Name	Property Address	City	State	Zip	County	CD	Subsidy End Date	Total Units	Active Subsidies	Owner	Owner Type
Multiple	100 Western Byp	Clayton	AL	36016-2107	Barbour	2	12/31/2020	20	0	Multiple	For Profit
SHADOWWOOD APARTMENTS	256 Old Mount Carmel Rd	Stevenson	AL	35772-3754	Jackson	5	12/31/2021	24	1	Multiple	For Profit
NOTTINGHAM APARTMENTS	31 County Road 57	Piagah	AL	35765-8374	Jackson	5	12/31/2022	18	1	Multiple	For Profit
FIELD CREST APARTMENTS	22271 Highway 69	Coffeeville	AL	36524-5002	Clarke	7	11/27/2043	19	1	Multiple	For Profit
MIRABEAU APARTMENTS FKA WESTLAND APARTMENTS	2601 Roanoke Dr SW	Huntsville	AL	35805	Madison	5	12/31/2023	229	1	MIRABEAU LP	Non-Profit
FOX RUN APARTMENTS	124 Fox Run Dr	Rayland	AL	35131-3327	Saint Clair	3	12/31/2024	24	0	Multiple	For Profit
SPRINGRIDGE APARTMENTS	1201 Ingersoll Dr	Phenix City	AL	36867-6014	Russell	3	12/31/2024	40	1	Multiple	For Profit
LIVEDAK VILLAGE	821 Conecuh Ave E	Union Springs	AL	36089-1129	Bullock	2	08/07/2046	24	2	Multiple	For Profit
Multiple	818 Bedell Ave	Auburn	AL	36832-2931	Lee	3	12/31/2025	40	1	Multiple	For Profit
Multiple	712 Elm St	Talladega	AL	35160-3033	Talladega	3	12/31/2026	30	1	Multiple	For Profit
BARRINGTON PARC APARTMENTS	6000 Barrington Pkwy	Moody	AL	35004-3238	Saint Clair	3	12/31/2027	96	1	BARRINGTON PARC LTD	For Profit
CANYON VIEW APARTMENTS	108 Canyonview Dr	Piagah	AL	35765-8058	Jackson	5	12/31/2027	12	0	Multiple	For Profit
PINE CONE APARTMENTS	2101 44th St E	Tuscaloosa	AL	35405-5870	Tuscaloosa	7	12/31/2027	48	0	Multiple	For Profit
RIVER RUN APARTMENTS	160 The Trails	Brevton	AL	36426-3503	Escambia	1	12/31/2027	56	1	Multiple	For Profit
MAGNOLIA PLACE APARTMENTS	603 S Dobson Ave	Bay Minette	AL	36507-2530	Baldwin	1	12/31/2028	56	0	Multiple	For Profit
Multiple	50200 Redwood Dr	Tuskegee	AL	36083-7270	Macon	3	12/31/2028	40	1	Multiple	For Profit
CRESTWOOD APARTMENTS	500 College Dr NE	Hanceville	AL	35077-5208	Cullman	4	12/31/2029	32	1	Multiple	For Profit
EAST SIDE APARTMENTS	820 5th Ave NE	Fayette	AL	35555-2059	Fayette	4	12/31/2029	44	1	Multiple	For Profit
WOODCROFT APARTMENTS	3131 Carl Morgan Rd	Moody	AL	35004-2665	Saint Clair	3	12/31/2029	24	0	Multiple	For Profit
Multiple	29 Valley Ct	Oneonta	AL	35121-2967	Blount	6	11/17/2020	48	0	THE DAKS APARTMENTS, LTD	Non-Profit

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Users can filter data by subsidy type and status (active or inactive). Because the data set provides address-level records, it is searchable by city, state, zip code, and county. The data tables can be downloaded as CSV or XLS files.

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Source	Public and Affordable Housing Research Corporation National Low Income Housing Coalition

PolicyMap

The Reinvestment Fund

<http://www.policymap.com/maps>

About the Data

The Reinvestment Fund's PolicyMap is an online data and mapping portal through which users can access a range of data on communities nationwide. The tool features approximately 15,000 indicators on topics ranging from demographics and education to real estate trends and supermarket access. The majority of the data sets can be accessed for free, but some data sets and more sophisticated features require a subscription.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Varies by data set	2014	Varies by data set	PDF (subscribers only)

Methodology and Data Sources

PolicyMap compiles data from a variety of data sources. The methodology for each indicator can be found at <http://www.policymap.com/our-data-directory.html>.

Select Variables

PolicyMap includes indicators that fall into several categories:

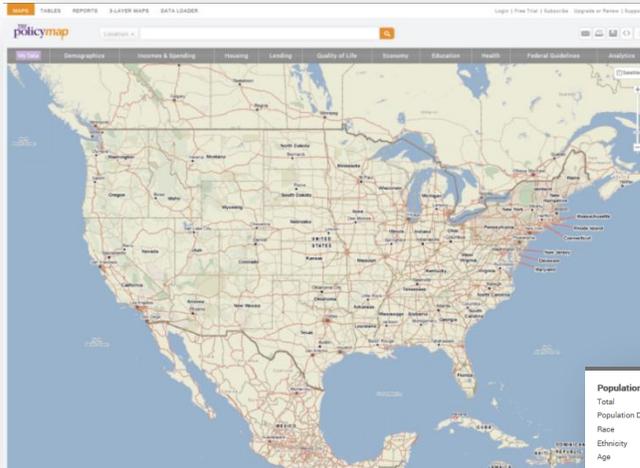
- Analytics
- Demographics
- Economy
- Education
- Federal Guidelines
- Health
- Housing
- Incomes and Spending
- Lending
- Quality of Life

Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resources:

- Data Directory
<http://www.policymap.com/our-data-directory.html>
- PolicyMap Tutorial
<http://www.policymap.com/blog/2013/04/policymap-tutorial/>

Using This Tool



PolicyMap offers a range of indicators in several topical areas including demographics, income and spending, housing, lending, quality of life, education, economy, and health. Paid subscribers can download reports, upload data, and create customizable regions.

Right: This is an example of a drop-down menu for demographic data. In each drop-down menu, PolicyMap features various indicators as well as related resources and articles.



Left: Users can visualize each of PolicyMap's indicators spatially. Paid subscribers can customize the thematic ranges and define their own geographic areas.

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Source	The Reinvestment Fund

Quarterly Workforce Indicators

Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics Program

U.S. Census Bureau

<http://qwiexplorer.ces.census.gov/>

About the Data

The Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) data set contains detailed information on labor markets, including quarterly changes in employment counts and characteristics. With the QWI Explorer tool, users can quickly access and visualize QWI data.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
County, MSA, Workforce Investment Area, State	2013	Quarterly	HTML, KML, PDF, SHP

Methodology and Data Sources

The underlying data for the QWI data series is the Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics data set that links employees with their respective employers. The data are collected from numerous sources, including unemployment insurance earnings data, the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, Business Dynamics Statistics, and administrative records.

Select Variables

- Demographic Characteristics of Workers including Age, Sex, Race, and Education
- Earnings
- Employment Change for Individuals and Firms
- Employment Counts
- Sector of Employment

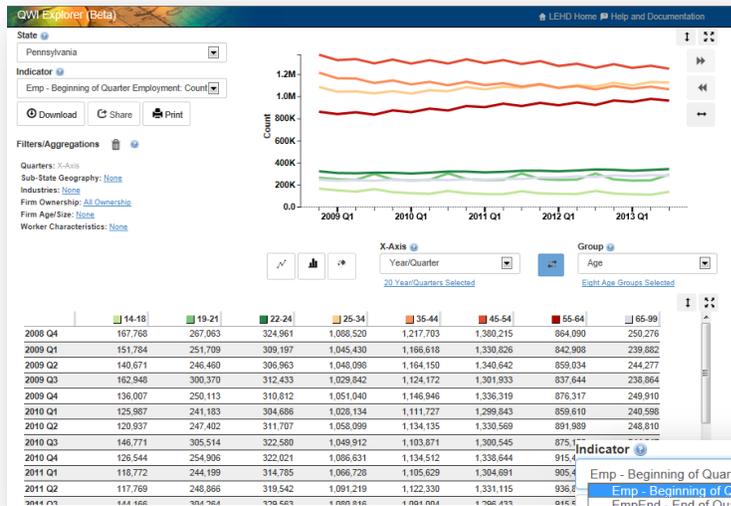
Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resources:

- Quarterly Workforce Indicators 101
http://lehd.ces.census.gov/doc/QWI_101.pdf
- QWI Explorer Help and Documentation
http://lehd.ces.census.gov/applications/help/qwi_explorer.html#!what_is_qwi_explorer

Accessing This Data Set

The QWI Explorer is an easy-to-use tool to access the QWI data set, as illustrated below. QWI data can also be downloaded using the LED Extraction Tool at <http://ledextract.ces.census.gov/>.



Left: Users can specify geographic areas, workforce indicators, and filters of interest with QWI Explorer.

Below, left: Filters include worker characteristics, firm characteristics, industries, and substate geography. Below, right: The dropdown menu offers a variety of labor market indicators from which to choose.

Filters/Aggregations

Quarters: X-Axis

Sub-State Geography: [None](#)

Industries: [None](#)

Firm Ownership: [All Ownership](#)

Firm Age/Size: [None](#)

Worker Characteristics: [None](#)

Indicator

- Emp - Beginning of Quarter Employment: Counts
- EmpEnd - End of Quarter Employment: Counts
- EmpS - Full-Quarter Employment (Stable): Counts
- EmpSpv - Full-Quarter Employment in the Previous Quarter: Counts
- EmpTotal - Employment - Reference Quarter: Counts
- Employment Change, Individual**
 - HirA - Hires All: Counts (Accessions)
 - HirN - Hires New: Counts
 - HirR - Hires Recalls: Counts
 - Sep - Separations: Counts
 - HirAEnd - End-of-Quarter Hires
 - HirAEndR - End-of-Quarter Hiring rate
 - SepBeg - Beginning-of-Quarter Separations
 - SepBegR - Beginning-of-Quarter Separation Rate
 - HirAS - Hires All (Stable): Counts (Flow into Full-Quarter Employment)
 - HirNS - Hires New (Stable): Counts (New Hires to Full-Quarter Status)
 - SepS - Separations (Stable): Counts (Flow out of Full-Quarter Employment)
 - SepSnr - Separations (Stable), Next Quarter: Counts (Flow out of Full-Quarter Employment)
 - TurnOvrS - Turnover (Stable)
- Employment Change, Firm**
 - FrmJbGn - Firm Job Gains: Counts (Job Creation)
 - FrmJbLs - Firm Job Loss: Counts (Job Destruction)
 - FrmJbC - Firm Job Change: Net Change
 - HirAEndRepl - Replacement Hires: Counts
 - HirAEndReplR - Replacement Hiring Rate
 - FrmJbGnS - Firm Job Gains (Stable): Counts
 - FrmJbLsS - Firm Job Loss (Stable): Counts
 - FrmJbCS - Job Change (Stable): Net Change
- Earnings**
 - EarnS - Full Quarter Employment (Stable): Average Monthly Earnings

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Source

Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics Program
U.S. Census Bureau

StatsAmerica

Indiana Business Research Center

<http://www.statsamerica.org/>

About the Data

The StatsAmerica site offers data profiles featuring community development topics ranging from demographics and housing to the economy and the workforce. The site also includes tools to identify peer counties and measure distress, as well as a collection of economic development-related resources.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Census Tract, County, MSA, State	Varies by data set	Varies by data set	XLS (state profiles only)

Methodology and Data Sources

StatsAmerica compiles data from a variety of sources, including the U.S. Census Bureau, the Bureau of Economic Analysis, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and the National Science Foundation, to develop county and state profiles. The methodology and data sources for the other tools on this site can be found under their respective About links.

Select Variables

- Bankruptcies
- Education and the Workforce
- Employment Statistics
- Housing
- Income
- Innovation Index
- Population
- State and Local Revenues and Expenditures
- Venture Capital and R&D Funding

Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resources:

- Most resources and tools on the StatsAmerica site have an About link that provides methodological information.
- Data Release Calendar

http://www.stats.indiana.edu/data_calendar/chronological.asp

Using This Tool



The StatsAmerica portal contains options to generate data profiles for counties, metropolitan areas, and states. Side-by-side comparative profiles are also available, as are tools to map innovation and measure distress.

Below: The state profile report includes various indicators on the economy, education, income and taxes, population and housing, and the workforce. Bottom: This sample county profile offers a view of the tabular features of the report.

New Jersey Profile

Select a specific table from the profile below or click here to view complete profile.

Economy	Education	Income & Taxes	Population & Housing	Workforce
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gross Domestic Product by State Personal Income Research and Development Investment Patents Venture Capital Venture Survey of Manufactures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manufacturing Employment Production Workers Patents Shipments Selected Patent Distributions Establishments from County Business Patterns Nonemployer Establishments Bankruptcy Exports <p>View all Economy tables</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educational Attainment College Enrollment <p>View all Education tables</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Median Income and Quarterly Earnings and Income Personal Income and Per Capita Personal Income State and Local Revenue and Expenditures Local Revenue and Expenditures State Revenue and Expenditures Unemployment Insurance Tax <p>View all Income & Taxes tables</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Population Housing <p>View all Population & Housing tables</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labor Force Estimates and Characteristics Occupational Employment and Wages Unions Monthly Payroll Jobs Estimates (CES) Covered Payroll Jobs (CEW) Industry Employment and Wages (BEA) <p>View all Workforce tables</p>

Overview for Philadelphia County, PA

Part of the Philadelphia Metropolitan Area (MSA), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Area
Part of the Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD, Combined Statistical Area
Part of Philadelphia (PA), Metropolitan Division

Philadelphia County is one of about 3,141 counties and county equivalents in the United States. It has 134.1 sq. miles in land area and a population density of 11,582.1 per square mile. On the most recent census form, 97.2% of the population reported only one race, with 43.4% of these reporting African-American. The population of this county is 12.3% Hispanic (of any race). The average household size is 2.40 persons compared to an average family size of 3.20 persons.

In 2013 health care and social assistance was the largest of 20 major sectors. It had an average wage per job of \$51,335. Per capita income grew by 17.2% between 2002 and 2012 (adjusted for inflation).

People & Income Overview (B) Place of Residence	Value	Rank in U.S.	Industry Overview (2013) (B) Place of Work	Value	Rank in U.S.
Population (2013)	1,553,165	22	Covered Employment	633,258	26
Growth (%) since 2010 Census	1.8%	251	Avg wage per job	\$59,024	28
Households (2012)	580,509	21	Manufacturing - % all jobs in County	3.5%	2373
Labor Force (persons) (2013)	656,454	28	Avg wage per job	\$58,631	451
Unemployment Rate (2013)	10.0	413	Transportation & Warehousing - % all jobs in County	4.2%	663
Per Capita Personal Income (2012)	\$41,452	351	Avg wage per job	\$48,467	620
Median Household Income (2012)	\$28,516	262	Health Care, Social Assist. - % all jobs in County	22.9%	28
Poverty Rate (2012)	26.7	252	Avg wage per job	\$61,335	145
H.S. Diploma or More - % of Adults 25+ (2012 ACS 5yr)	80.4	239	Finance and Insurance - % all jobs in County	4.9%	224
Bachelor's Deg. or More - % of Adults 25+ (2012 ACS 5yr)	23.2	277	Avg wage per job	\$110,109	26

Contact Information

Source

For online help, go to <http://statsamerica.org/Contact.aspx>.

Indiana Business Research Center at Indiana University's Kelley School of Business

USPS Vacancy Data

U.S. Postal Service

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

<http://www.huduser.org/portal/datasets/usps.html>

About the Data

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) produce a quarterly census tract-level data set with information on the number of units classified as vacant. The data are available to government agencies and nonprofits only, and access requires an online registration.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
Census Tract	June 2014	Quarterly	CSV

Methodology and Data Sources

The data set is based on USPS administrative records. Since 2008, the USPS has produced separate estimates for business, residential, and other addresses.

Select Variables

- Duration of Vacancy
- Total No-Stat Addresses (i.e., Units Not Currently Available)
- Total Number of Addresses
- Total Vacant Addresses
- Vacancy by Property Type (Business, Residential, and Other)

Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resources:

- Data Dictionary
http://www.huduser.org/portal/datasets/usps/USPS_Data_Dictionary_07212008.pdf
- HUD USPS Zip Code Cross Walk Files
http://www.huduser.org/portal/datasets/usps_crosswalk.html

Accessing This Data Set

HUD Aggregated USPS Administrative Data On Address Vacancies

USPS Vacancy Data is now available at the 2010 Census Tract geographic level. After the 4th quarter of 2012, HUD will no longer be tabulating the USPS Vacancy Data at the 2000 Census tract level.

Data from and after February 2008 distinguish among business, residential, and other addresses.

HUD has entered into an agreement with the United States Postal Service (USPS) to receive quarterly aggregate data on addresses identified by the USPS as having been "vacant" or "No-Stat" in the previous quarter. HUD is making these data available for researchers and practitioners to explore their potential utility for tracking neighborhood change on a quarterly basis. The potential power of these data is that they represent the universe of all addresses in the United States and are updated every three months. Under the current agreement with the USPS, HUD can make the data accessible only to governmental entities and non-profit organizations registered as users. Use of the data is permitted only for activities related to the "stated purpose" outlined in the sublicense agreement.

Data Description

Total Number of Addresses - This reflects all addresses (residential and commercial) that USPS has recorded in their database.

Total Vacant Addresses - These are addresses that delivery staff on urban routes have identified as being vacant (not collecting their mail) for 90 days or longer.

Total no-stat Addresses - There are many reasons an address can be classified as no-stat, including:

- Rural Route addresses vacant for 90 days or longer
- Addresses for businesses or homes under construction and not yet occupied
- Addresses in urban areas identified by a carrier as not likely to be active for some time

In addition to the total counts noted above, the USPS is reporting to HUD for each quarter the number of days an address has been in each category (see **data dictionary**). Because USPS did not start counting days in each category until after entering into this agreement with HUD, the starting point for counting days in each category is November 18, 2005. So, for example, our December 2005 extract shows no addresses being on the vacant list for longer than three months because we had only been counting for just over a month. We will not know about addresses on the vacant list for longer than three years until the December 2008 extract.

While HUD is still exploring the utility of these data, it has identified the following items that may be of use to other researchers and practitioners:

- Vacation/Resort areas have very high rates of vacant addresses.
- Areas with high growth have high rates of no-stat addresses as do areas of significant decline. One way to distinguish these two areas is by comparing Total Count of AMS Addresses between quarters. An increase in AMS addresses with a similar increase in no-stat addresses likely reflects new construction/additions. no-stats with a stable or reduced number of addresses probably reflect long-term vacant addresses.
- In distressed areas, a reduction in total AMS addresses from quarter-to-quarter appears to be a strong indicator of where demolition is occurring. (Note that if a building is demolished to be replaced by another building, the address will likely be moved to no-stat status and not be removed from the total number of addresses).

Note to Users

In March 2010 USPS began implementation of new procedures to improve the accuracy of the vacant indicator. This changeover has led to an increase in vacancies across the nation, causing year-over-year vacancy comparisons and calculations spanning March 2010 to be problematic.

The new USPS application allows for delivery unit/carrier to answer yes or no (an address is either vacant or not) which then updates database automatically (nightly). Along with the application are data provided to the carrier from other data sources including the USPS Change of Address and USPS Address Change Service. Census 2000 mailings were also used as a "one time" source for the application. As of November 1, 2010, 4.2 million records had been updated.

This new application should improve data quality over time, but caution should be used in measuring change over time as the new procedures are fully implemented.

Download Quarterly Data:

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USPS vacancy data can be accessed through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's website. However, this data set is available only to nonprofit organizations and governmental entities.

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Source	U.S. Postal Service U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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About the Data

Developed by the Edward Lowe Foundation, YourEconomy.org provides indicators on business establishments, jobs, and sales for economies at multiple scales. Furthermore, users can compare economic activity between geographies and years. Paid subscribers can also access more detailed information on specific industries, create custom regions, and access Dun & Bradstreet business lists.

Geographic Availability	Most Recent Data	Update Frequency	Download Formats
County, MSA, State, Nation	2013	Annually	XLS

Methodology and Data Sources

YourEconomy.org's data are based on the National Establishment Time Series (NETS) database from Walls & Associates and from Dun & Bradstreet data sets. Estimates are currently available from 1995 through 2013.

Select Variables

Data illustrating trends in establishments, jobs, and sales can be disaggregated in a number of ways, including by:

- Closings
- Contractions
- Establishments Moving In and Moving Out
- Expansions
- New Startups
- Non-Commercial Establishments
- Non-Resident Establishments
- Resident Establishments

Additional Resources

For more information, please refer to the following online resources:

- About the Data
http://youreconomy.org/assets/images/news/_about/YE-About%20the%20data.pdf
- Overview of YourEconomy.org
http://youreconomy.org/assets/images/news/_about/ye-overview.pdf

Accessing This Data Set

1. Choose a Region

STATE MSA COUNTY YE+ REGIONS

2. Select a Date Range

1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013

GO!

ESTABLISHMENTS | JOBS | SALES

YOU CHOSE: United States 2012 - 2013

2012-2013 GROWTH IN ALL ESTABLISHMENTS: **-9.4%**

The ALL indicator reflects the change in all establishments for your chosen geographic region and time period. The total number of ALL establishments decreased by 2,347,691 or an average annual rate of -9.4%.

Each YE indicator is broken down into five employment stages (see graphs below). Refresh graph data by selecting a tab above (Establishments, Jobs, or Sales).

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YE INDICATORS

Establishment Type

ALL	-9.4%
RESIDENT	-9.9%
NONRESIDENT	-2.2%
NONCOMMERCIAL	-6.5%
EXTERNAL MARKET	-8.4%
LOCAL MARKET	-9.6%

Establishment Activity

EXPANSIONS	-19.0%
CONTRACTIONS	62.1%
NEW STARTUPS	-16.0%
EXPANSION STARTUPS	69.8%
CLOSINGS	28.6%
MOVE IN	-14.8%
MOVE OUT	-12.4%

GROWTH WITHIN STAGES:

SELF	19.6%
STAGE 1	7.6%
STAGE 2	7.9%
STAGE 3	-1.8%
STAGE 4	0.9%

COMPOSITION BY STAGES:

SELF	29.4%
STAGE 1	59.8%
STAGE 2	9.9%
STAGE 3	0.7%
STAGE 4	0.1%

With YourEconomy.org, users can generate results for a range of geographies and custom dates. Below left: This sample output provides information on economic growth —measured by the number of establishments, jobs, or total sales —by type of establishment and activity; the interface allows the user to access more detailed data, rankings, and time series. Bottom: Select variables can be downloaded for free via the Details page.

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Download all the data cells that appear in the Stages detail table above! For YE+ level of access, please Login or Join.

- The spreadsheet will contain establishments, jobs, and sales details all in one place.
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