

# Your Community by the Numbers: Introduction to American FactFinder



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# Outline

- Overview of Census Bureau Programs/Surveys
- ACS Overview
- Census Geography
- Accessing ACS Data Products
- Additional Resources
- Questions
- Online Demonstration

# What does the Census Bureau Do?

## Decennial Census

Every 10 years, Counts Residents

## Periodical Surveys

American Housing Survey (2015)

## American Community Survey (ACS)

Annual Social, Economic and  
Housing data

## Other Surveys and Censuses

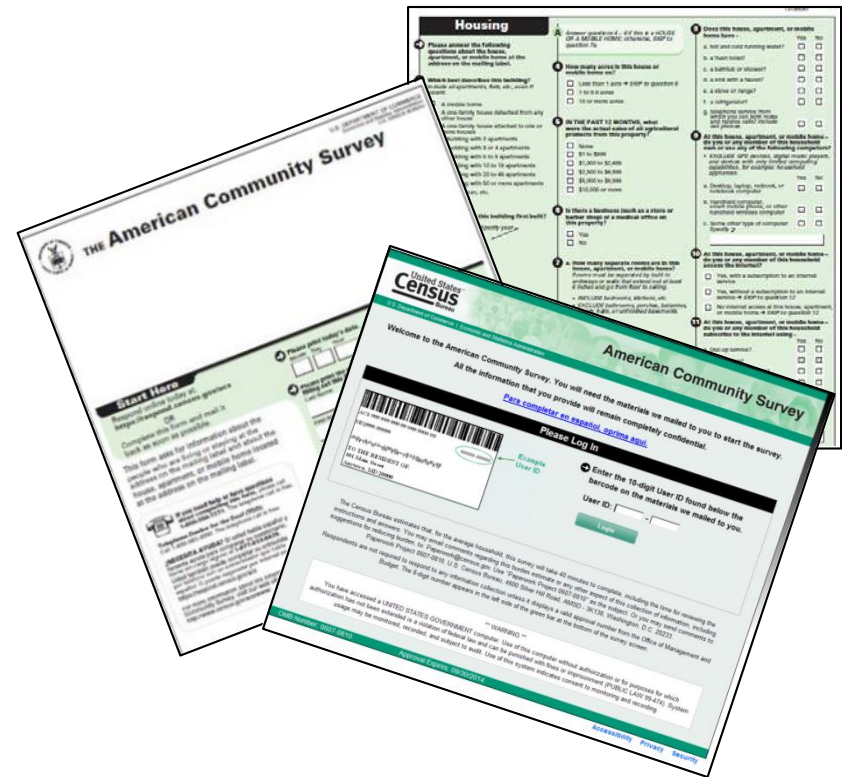
- ✓ Current Population Survey (CPS)
- ✓ National Crime and Victimization Survey (NCVS)
- ✓ Health Interview Survey (HIS)
- ✓ Consumer Expenditure Survey (CE)
- ✓ Population Estimates
- ✓ Economic Census
- ✓ Census of Governments

***The Census Bureau's mission is to serve as the leading source of quality data about the nation's people and economy.***

<https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys.html>

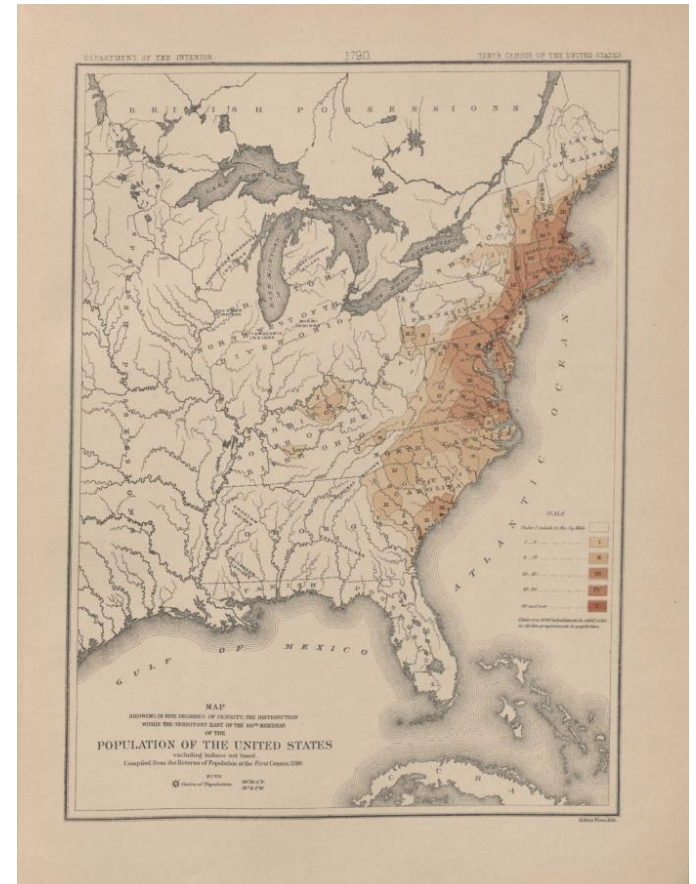
# ACS Basics: The Survey

- Ongoing monthly survey sent to 3.5 million addresses per year to produce detailed population and housing estimates each year
  - Visit 20,000 Group Quarter facilities and sample approximately 194,000 residents each year
- Designed to produce *critical information on small areas and small population groups* previously collected on the decennial long form
- Covers 35+ topics and supports over 300 known Federal Government uses
- Data released twice annually
  - 1-year estimates (12 months of data)
  - 5-year estimates (60 months of data)



# Census/ACS History

- **1790-1930**  
Census: one form to all households
- **1940-2000**  
Census: short form and long form
- **2000**  
ACS: large-scale demonstration
- **2005-present**  
ACS / PRCS: full implementation
- **2010**  
Census: short form only



# 2010 Census vs. ACS

2010  
Census

**100 % Data**

How many people  
live in the U.S.?

**Point in time** April  
1, 2010

**Count** - People,  
Housing units,

American  
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Survey

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2000 Long Form  
SF3 & SF4

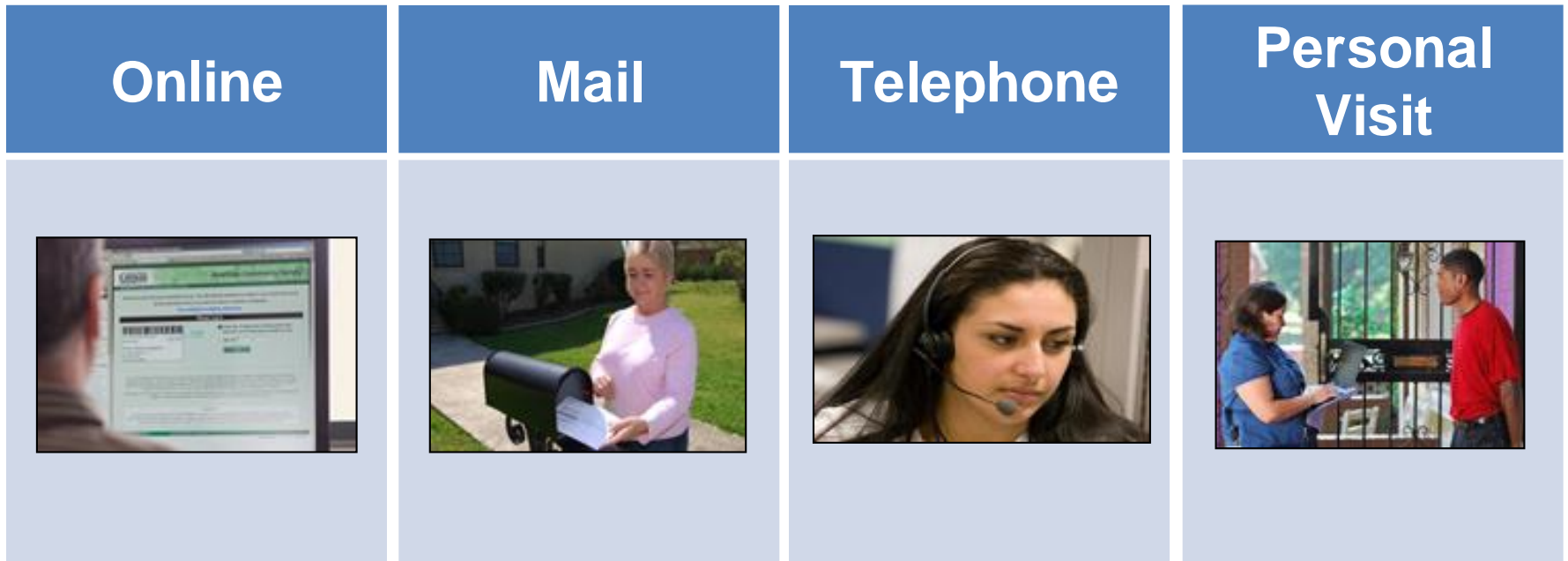
**Sample Data**

How do people live  
in the U.S.?

**Period in Time**  
1yr, 5yr

**Characteristics**  
Income, Poverty,  
Education

# ACS Data Collection Process



**Self-Response Modes**



**Non-Response Modes**

# ACS Content

Items in **red** were also collected on the **2010 Census**

## Demographic Characteristics

- Age
- Sex
- Race
- Hispanic Origin
- Household Relationship
- Group Quarters

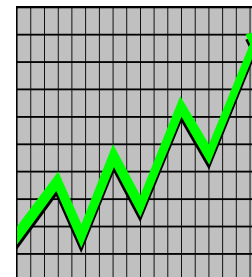


## Social Characteristics

- Families
- Education
- Marital Status
- Fertility
- Grandparent Caregivers
- Veterans
- Disability Status
- Place of Birth
- Citizenship
- Year of Entry
- Language Spoken at Home
- Ancestry/ Tribal Affiliation

## Economic Characteristics

- Income
- Poverty
- Benefits
- Employment Status
- Occupation
- Industry
- Commuting to Work



## Housing Characteristics

- Tenure (Rent/Own)
- Occupancy
- Structure
- Housing Value
- Taxes & Insurance
- Utilities
- Mortgage/ Monthly Rent





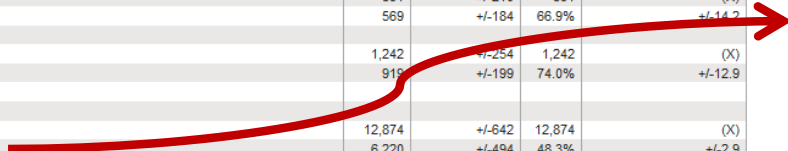
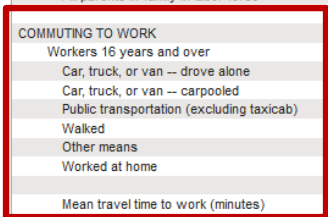
# ACS Data Products

Data Product	Description
Data Profiles	Provide broad social, economic, housing, and demographic profiles.
Narrative Profiles	Summarize the information in the data profiles using concise, nontechnical text.
Comparison Profile	Compares over 5-year period selected enhancements.
Selected Population Profiles	Provide broad social, economic, and housing profiles for a large number of race, ethnic, ancestry, and country/region of birth groups.
Detailed Tables	Provide access to the most detailed ACS data and cross tabulations of ACS variables.
Subject Tables	Similar to data profiles but include more detailed ACS data, classified by subject.
Ranking Tables	Provide state rankings of estimates across 86 key variables.
Geographic Comparison Tables	Compare geographic areas other than states (e.g., counties or congressional districts) for key variables.
Supplemental Tables	Detailed tables available for geographic areas with populations of 20,000 or more.

# Data Profile vs. Subject Table

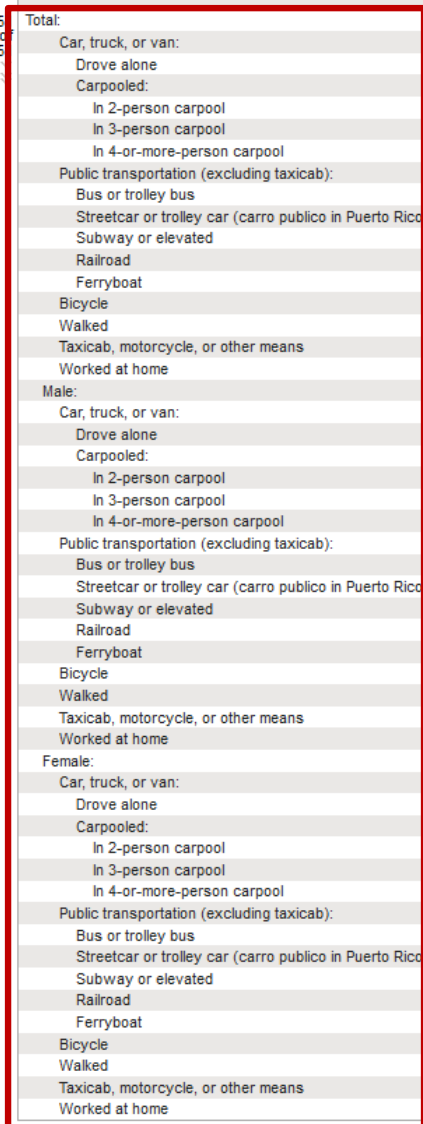
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Subject	College Park city, Maryland			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
<b>EMPLOYMENT STATUS</b>				
Population 16 years and over	28,690	+/-368	28,690	(X)
In labor force	14,997	+/-559	52.3%	+/-1.9
Civilian labor force	14,938	+/-557	52.1%	+/-1.9
Employed	13,243	+/-619	46.2%	+/-2.1
Unemployed	1,695	+/-313	5.9%	+/-1.1
Armed Forces	59	+/-47	0.2%	+/-0.2
Not in labor force	13,693	+/-601	47.7%	+/-1.9
Civilian labor force	14,938	+/-557	14,938	(X)
Percent Unemployed	(X)	(X)	11.3%	+/-2.1
<b>Females 16 years and over</b>	13,697	+/-462	13,697	(X)
In labor force	6,982	+/-400	51.0%	+/-2.7
Civilian labor force	6,971	+/-401	50.9%	+/-2.7
Employed	6,429	+/-429	46.9%	+/-3.0
Own children under 6 years	851	+/-210	851	(X)
All parents in family in labor force	569	+/-184	66.9%	+/-14.2
Own children 6 to 17 years	1,242	+/-254	1,242	(X)
All parents in family in labor force	919	+/-199	74.0%	+/-12.9
<b>COMMUTING TO WORK</b>				
Workers 16 years and over	12,874	+/-642	12,874	(X)
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	6,220	+/-494	48.3%	+/-2.9
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	1,162	+/-277	9.0%	+/-2.2
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	1,686	+/-306	13.1%	+/-2.2
Walked	2,670	+/-304	20.7%	+/-2.2
Other means	433	+/-138	3.4%	+/-1.0
Worked at home	703	+/-210	5.5%	+/-1.6
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	26.7	+/-1.3	(X)	(X)
<b>OCCUPATION</b>				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	13,243	+/-619	13,243	(X)
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	6,203	+/-536	46.8%	+/-3.5
Service occupations	2,456	+/-382	18.5%	+/-2.6
Sales and office occupations	3,309	+/-373	25.0%	+/-2.7
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	709	+/-201	5.4%	+/-1.5
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	566	+/-126	4.3%	+/-0.9
<b>INDUSTRY</b>				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	13,243	+/-619	13,243	(X)
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	6	+/-9	0.0%	+/-0.1
Construction	502	+/-172	3.8%	+/-1.3



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	College Park city, Maryland	
	Estimate	Margin of Error
<b>Total:</b>	12,874	+/-642
Car, truck, or van:	7,382	+/-525
Drove alone	6,220	+/-494
Carpooled:	1,162	+/-277
In 2-person carpool	973	+/-235
In 3-person carpool	77	+/-56
In 4-or-more-person carpool	112	+/-93
Public transportation (excluding taxicab):	1,686	+/-306
Bus or trolley bus	596	+/-174
Streetcar or trolley car (carro publico in Puerto Rico)	0	+/-26
Subway or elevated	935	+/-201
Railroad	155	+/-89
Ferryboat	0	+/-26
Bicycle	350	+/-123
Walked	2,670	+/-304
Taxicab, motorcycle, or other means	83	+/-59
Worked at home	703	+/-210
Male:	6,548	+/-480
Car, truck, or van:	3,699	+/-387
Drove alone	3,134	+/-377
Carpooled:	565	+/-166
In 2-person carpool	461	+/-143
In 3-person carpool	49	+/-43
In 4-or-more-person carpool	55	+/-51
Public transportation (excluding taxicab):	1,050	+/-238
Bus or trolley bus	362	+/-140
Streetcar or trolley car (carro publico in Puerto Rico)	0	+/-26
Subway or elevated	576	+/-151
Railroad	112	+/-81
Ferryboat	0	+/-26
Bicycle	229	+/-93
Walked	1,163	+/-191
Taxicab, motorcycle, or other means	59	+/-49
Worked at home	348	+/-168
Female:	6,326	+/-439
Car, truck, or van:	3,683	+/-409
Drove alone	3,086	+/-380
Carpooled:	597	+/-171
In 2-person carpool	512	+/-147
In 3-person carpool	28	+/-37
In 4-or-more-person carpool	57	+/-55
Public transportation (excluding taxicab):	636	+/-154
Bus or trolley bus	234	+/-104
Streetcar or trolley car (carro publico in Puerto Rico)	0	+/-26
Subway or elevated	359	+/-103
Railroad	43	+/-44
Ferryboat	0	+/-26
Bicycle	121	+/-69
Walked	1,507	+/-208
Taxicab, motorcycle, or other means	24	+/-29
Worked at home	355	+/-99



# Current ACS 1-year/5-year Data

- **Areas with a population 65,000+: 1-year estimates**

(2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, **2016**)

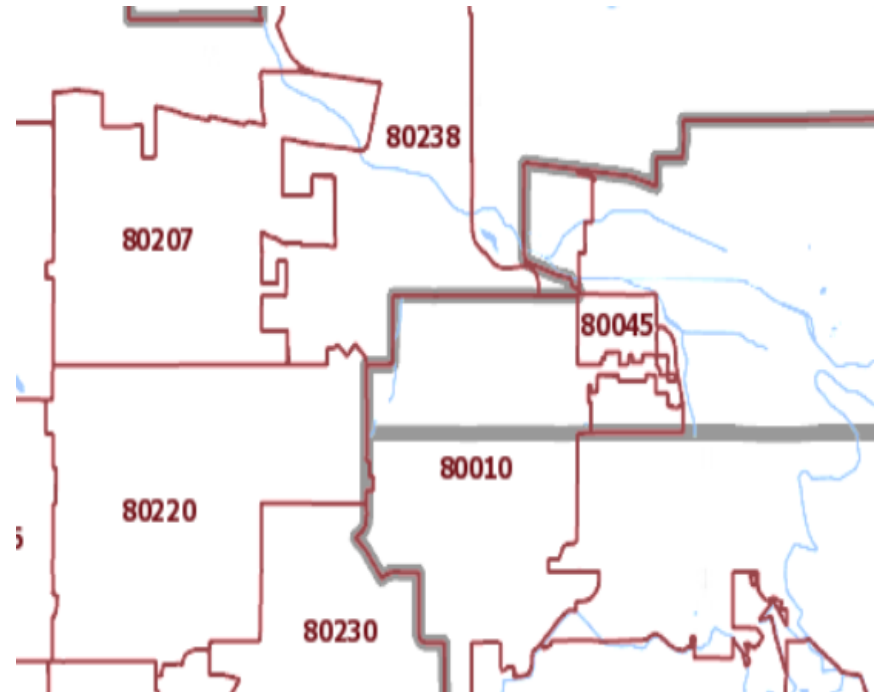
**All areas** (incl. census tracts & block groups): **5-year estimates**

(2005-2009, 2006-2010, 2007-2011, 2008-2012, 2009-2013, 2010-2014,  
2011-2015, **2012-2016**)

# Census Geography

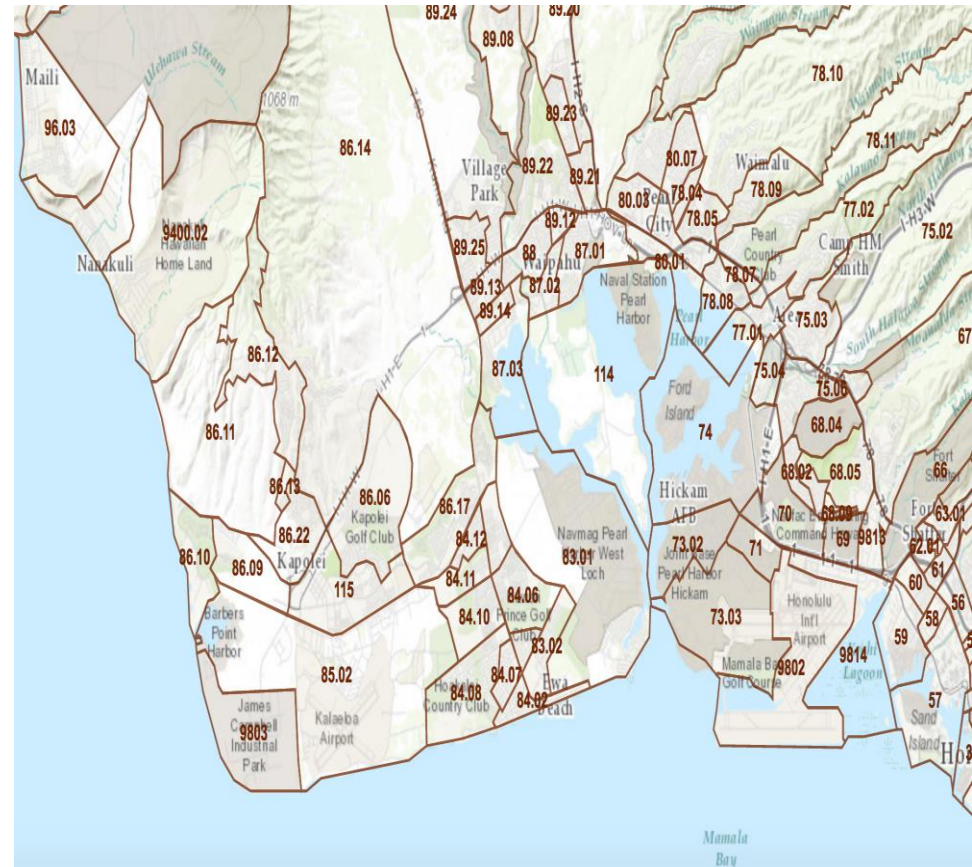
# Selected Census Geographic Concepts—Legal Areas

- Nation
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- Counties
- Incorporated Places
- Minor Civil Divisions
- Congressional Districts
- School Districts
- Zip Codes



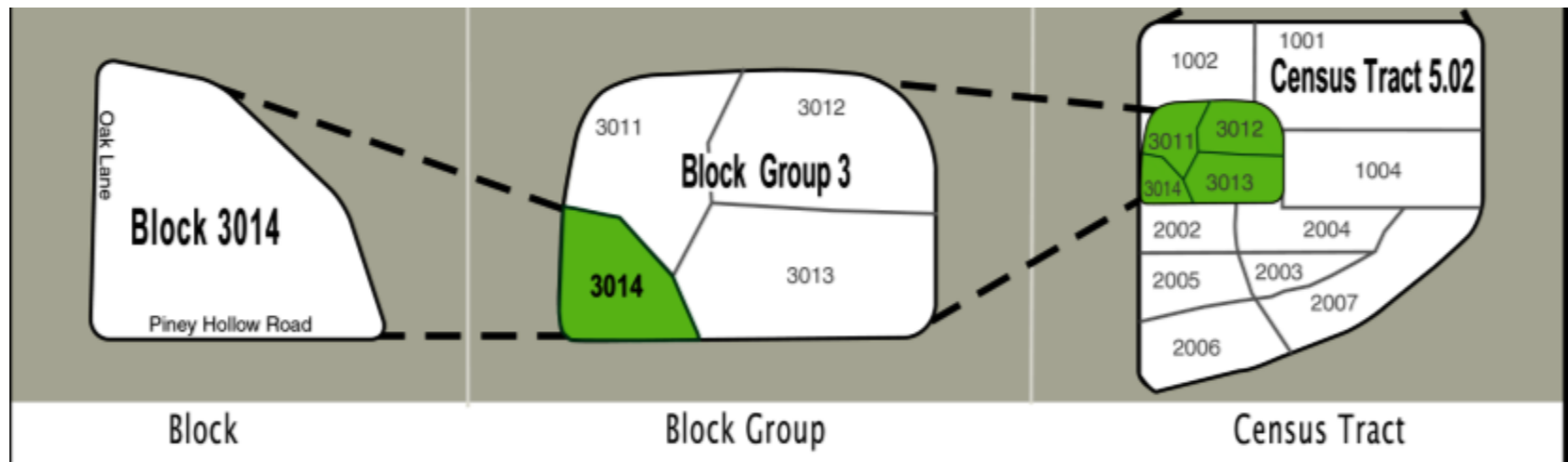
# Selected Census Geographic Concepts—Statistical Areas

- Regions
- Divisions
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- Zip Code Tabulation Areas (ZCTAs)
- Census Tracts
- Block Groups
- Block



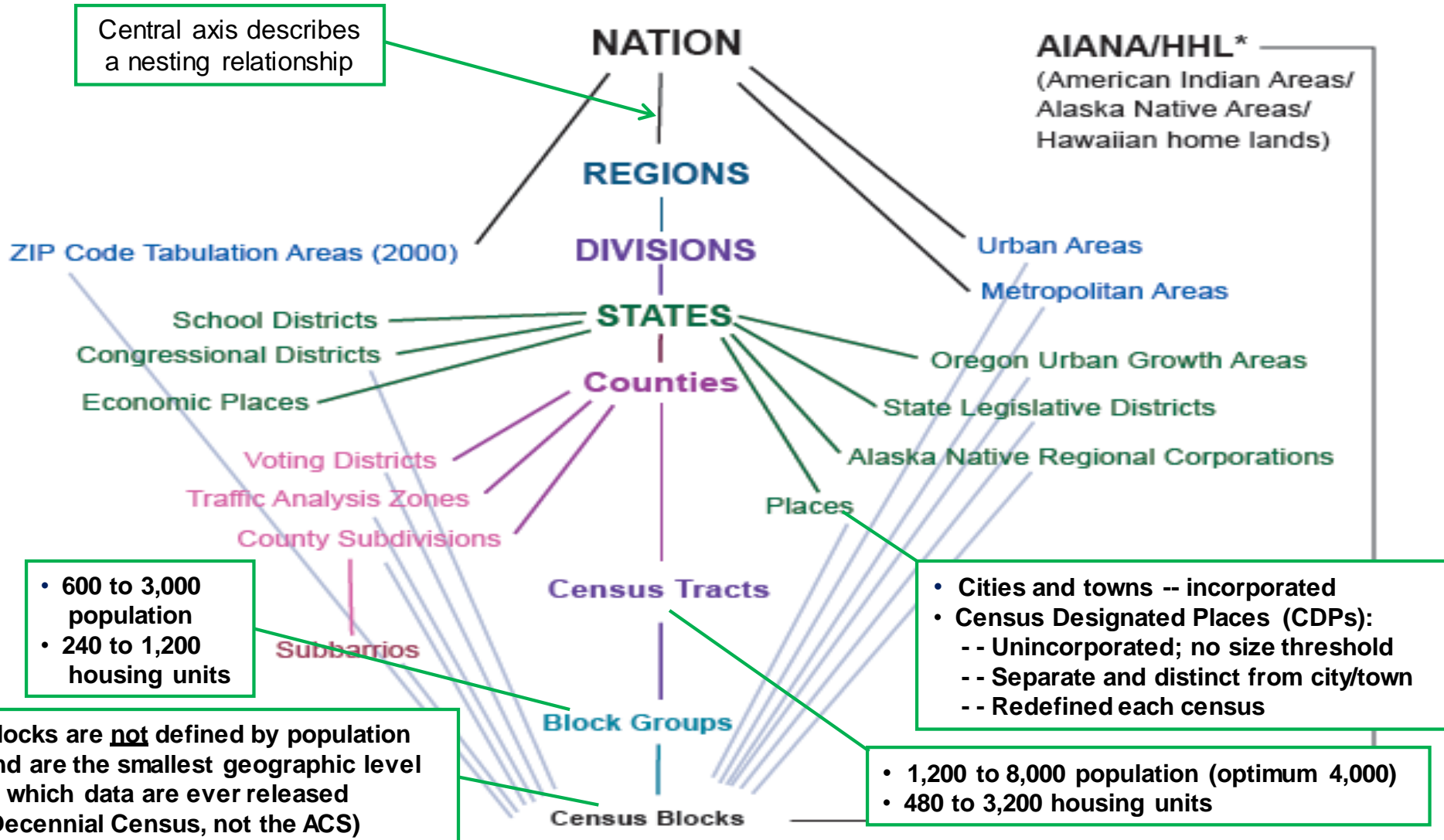
# Small Area Census Geography

## How it Fits Together



**Census Tract > Place (City or CDP) > Census County Division (CCD) > County**

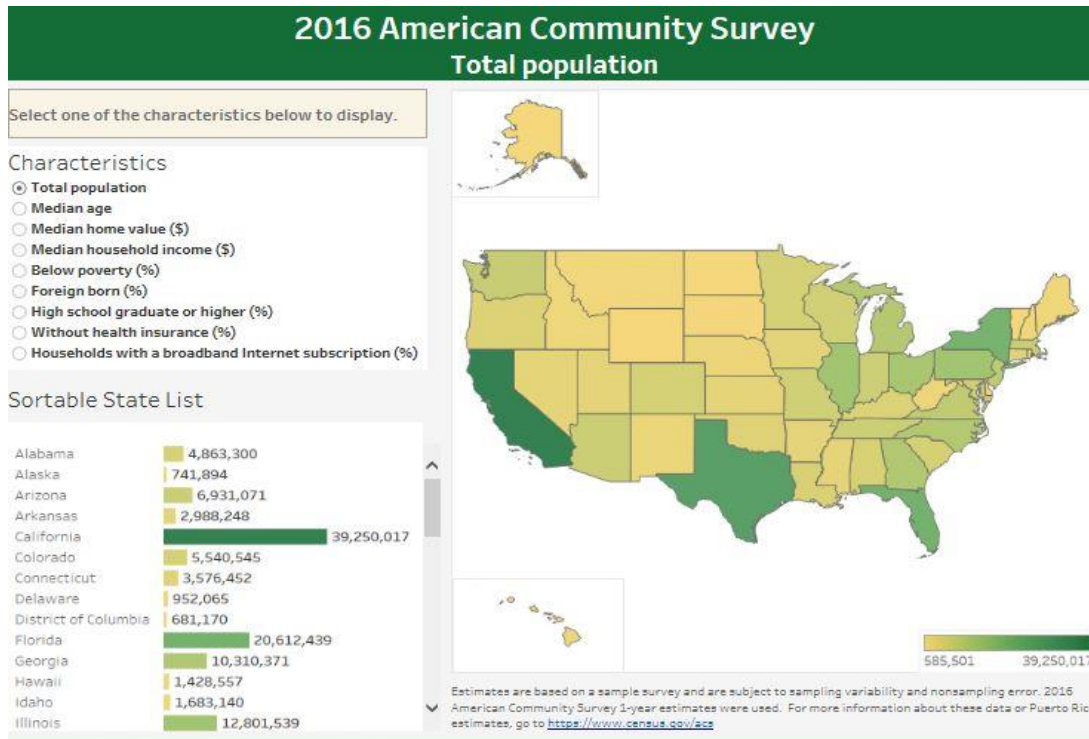
# Census Geography Hierarchy





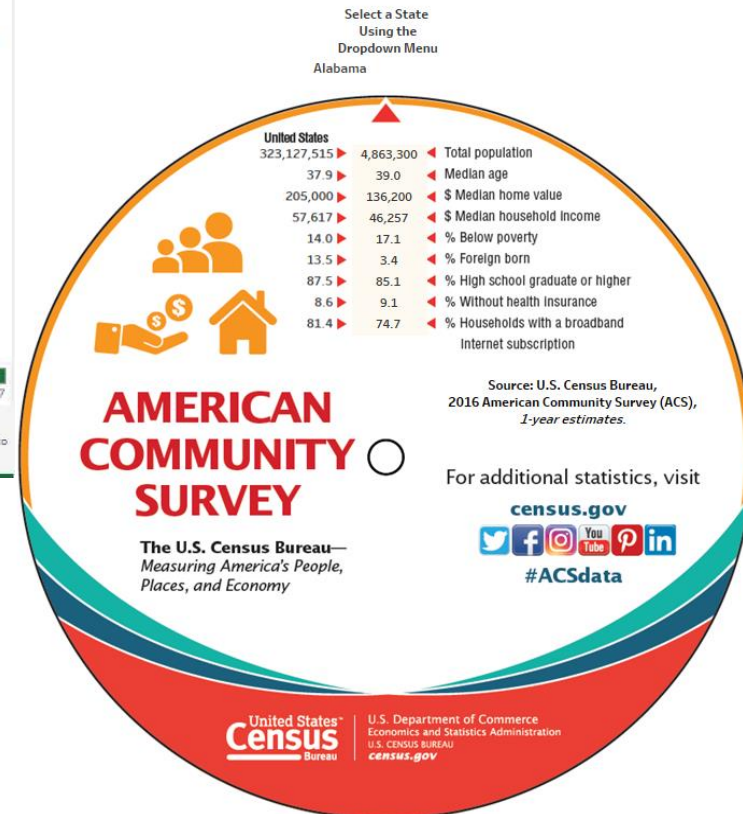
# Accessing ACS Data Products

# New Data Visualization Tools



The [Data Wheel Dashboard](#) includes a bar graph and map of the U.S. highlighting ACS characteristics for all 50 states.

The [ACS Data Wheel](#) allows users to explore ACS data for all 50 states.



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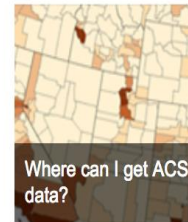
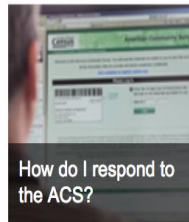
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The [American Community Survey \(ACS\)](#) helps local officials, community leaders, and businesses understand the changes taking place in their communities. It is the premier source for detailed population and housing information about our nation.



### Latest



### 2016 Data Release

Learn more about ACS data releases, including the January 18th release of 2012-2016 ACS 5-Year Public Use Microdata Sample files and Variance Replicate Tables.

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**Subjects included in the ACS**

Review the [list of subjects](#) included in the ACS and get links to the ACS Detailed Tables.



**Which data tool should I use?**


Let us help you [find the right data tool](#) for your needs with these user scenarios.



**Handbooks for Data Users**

The ACS provides [handbooks](#) for 11 distinct data user groups to help you understand the data.

### Join the ACS Data Users Group

Connect with other ACS Data Users by joining the online community. You will be able to learn about ACS related webinars, share ACS data applications and communicate with others about ACS data. 

Visit the [American Community Survey Data Users Group website](#) to learn more.

### More Guidance for Data Users Topics

**When to Use 1-year, 3-year, or 5-year Estimates**  
Learn more about distinguishing features of the ACS 1-year, 3-year, and 5-year estimates and when they are best used.

**Comparing ACS Data**  
Learn more about comparing the ACS with other data, with Census 2000, and 3-year to 3-year or 5-year to 5-year estimates.

### Related Topics in Other Sections

**Technical Documentation**  
Find information supporting the ACS data, including documentation for code lists, subject definitions, user notes, errata notes, PUMS, and Summary File.

**Sample Size and Data Quality**  
ACS samples about 3.54 million addresses each year. Discover how

[census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/guidance](https://census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/guidance)

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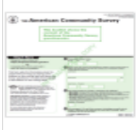
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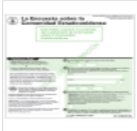
 

**These American Community Survey (ACS) and Puerto Rico Community Survey (PRCS) forms are only samples. If you have misplaced the form that you received in the mail, please call 1-800-354-7271.**

Use a pen with blue or black ink, or a #2 pencil, to complete the form you got in the mail.

#### American Community Survey (ACS) Household Questionnaires

 **2018 ACS Form**  
Access the form and link to instructions in English for the 2018 ACS.

 **Questionario Para la Encuesta sobre la Comunidad Estadounidense 2018**  
Refiérase al cuestionario de la Encuesta sobre la Comunidad Estadounidense (ACS).

#### American Community Survey (ACS) Group Quarters Questionnaires

 **2018 ACS Group Quarters Form**  
Access the Group Quarters form and instruction booklet in English for the 2018 ACS.

[census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/about/forms-and-instructions](https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/about/forms-and-instructions)

# Why we Ask?

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### Questions on the Form and Why We Ask

Are you curious about why we ask questions related to a specific topic on the American Community Survey (ACS)? Every question has a required purpose and many uses to help communities.

Select a topic below to browse some of the most popular results from these questions and view the question as it appears on the form. We also provide information on the origin of the question, how we protect your privacy, and how ACS statistics help communities.

Tell Us What You Think!

Filter by Topics, Keywords, Question Number

Why we ask about...	Question No.	Question Type (Person/Housing)
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<a href="#">Disability</a>	17, 18, 19	Person
<a href="#">Educational Attainment, Undergraduate Field of Degree</a>	11, 12	Person
<a href="#">Employment Status</a>	29, 35, 36, 37, 38	Person

[census.gov/acs/www/about/why-we-ask-each-question](https://census.gov/acs/www/about/why-we-ask-each-question)

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#### Local Assistance



[census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/contact/partners.html](https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/contact/partners.html)

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Percent Of The Total Population Who Are Some Other Race Alone	Race	R0206
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Percent Of The Total Population Who Are Two Or More Races Excluding Some Other Race	Race	R0208
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Percent Of Foreign-Born People Born In Europe	Foreign Born; Citizenship; Year of Entry; Nativity	R0502
Percent Of Foreign-Born People Born In Asia	Foreign Born; Citizenship; Year of Entry; Nativity	R0503

[census.gov/acs/www/data/data-tables-and-tools/](https://census.gov/acs/www/data/data-tables-and-tools/)



# Narrative Profiles

## Population and Housing Narrative Profile 2009-2013 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Select a New Geography

While the ACS produces sample-based population group and housing estimates used in this report, the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program produces and disseminates official estimates of the population for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns, as well as estimates of housing units for states and counties. For more information see: <http://www.census.gov/popest/>

Note that for small geographic areas, the sample used for the Narrative Profile may be small as well. Users are encouraged to examine the detailed tables on [American FactFinder](#) that are associated with the Narrative Profile text. These tables provide additional information on sampling variability associated with the estimates in this report.

### Geography: Pahrump, Nevada

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### Households and Families

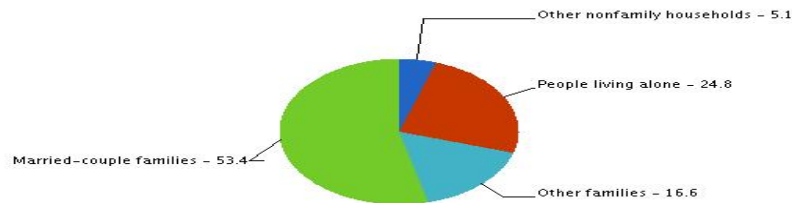
In 2009-2013 there were 14,900 households in Pahrump, Nevada. The average household size was 2.4 people.

Families made up 70 percent of the households in Pahrump, Nevada. This figure includes both married-couple families (53 percent) and other families (17 percent). Of other families, 5 percent are female householder families with no husband present and own children under 18 years. Nonfamily households made up 30 percent of all households in Pahrump, Nevada. Most of the nonfamily households were people living alone, but some were composed of people living in households in which no one was related to the householder.

In Pahrump, Nevada, 25 percent of all households have one or more people under the age of 18; 45 percent of all households have one or more people 65 years and over.

Types of Households in Pahrump, Nevada in 2009-2013

[click graph to view data in table format](#)

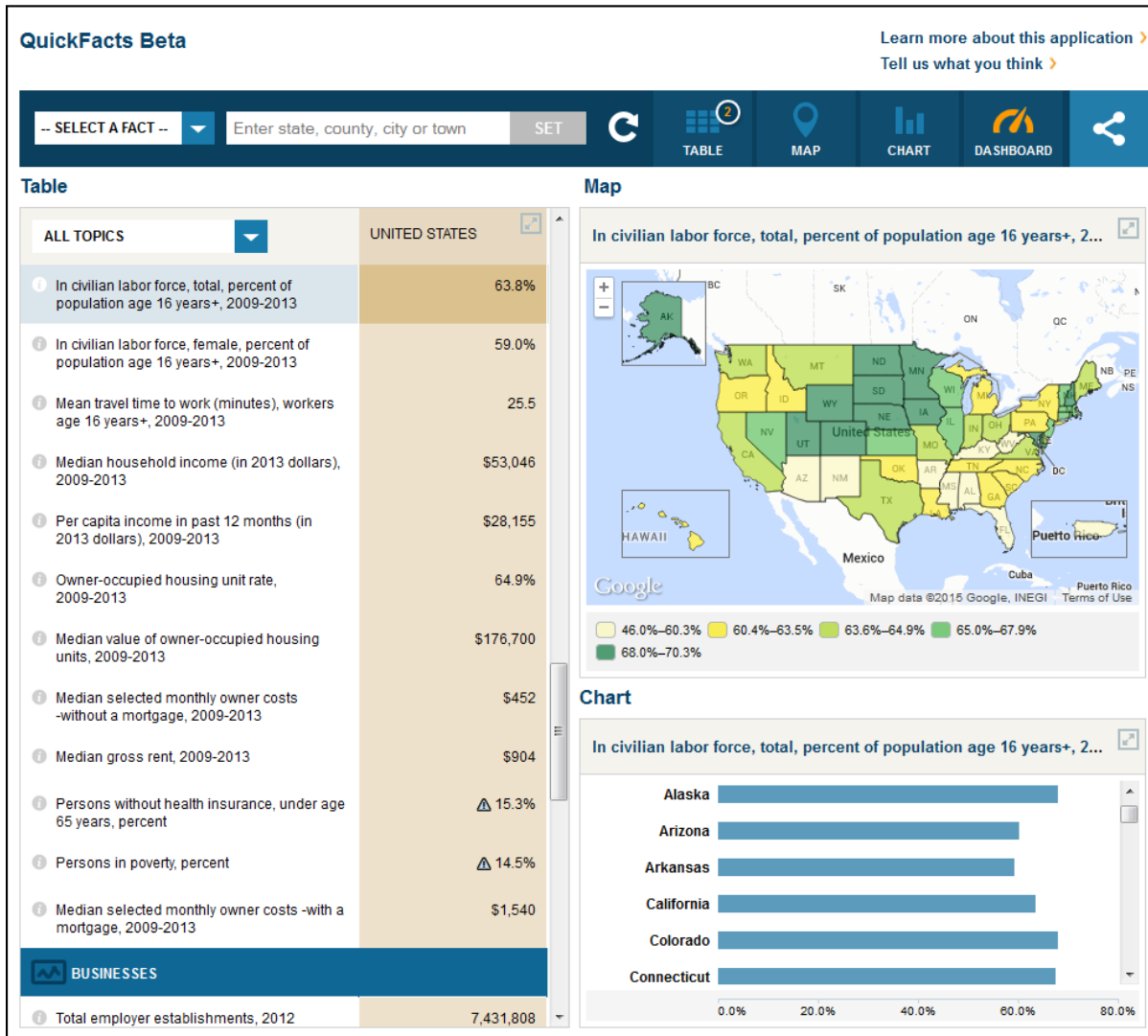


## When to use:

Browse statistics presented as a text-based report with plenty of colorful graphs and charts.

[census.gov/acs/data/data-tables-and-tools/narrative-profiles](http://census.gov/acs/data/data-tables-and-tools/narrative-profiles)

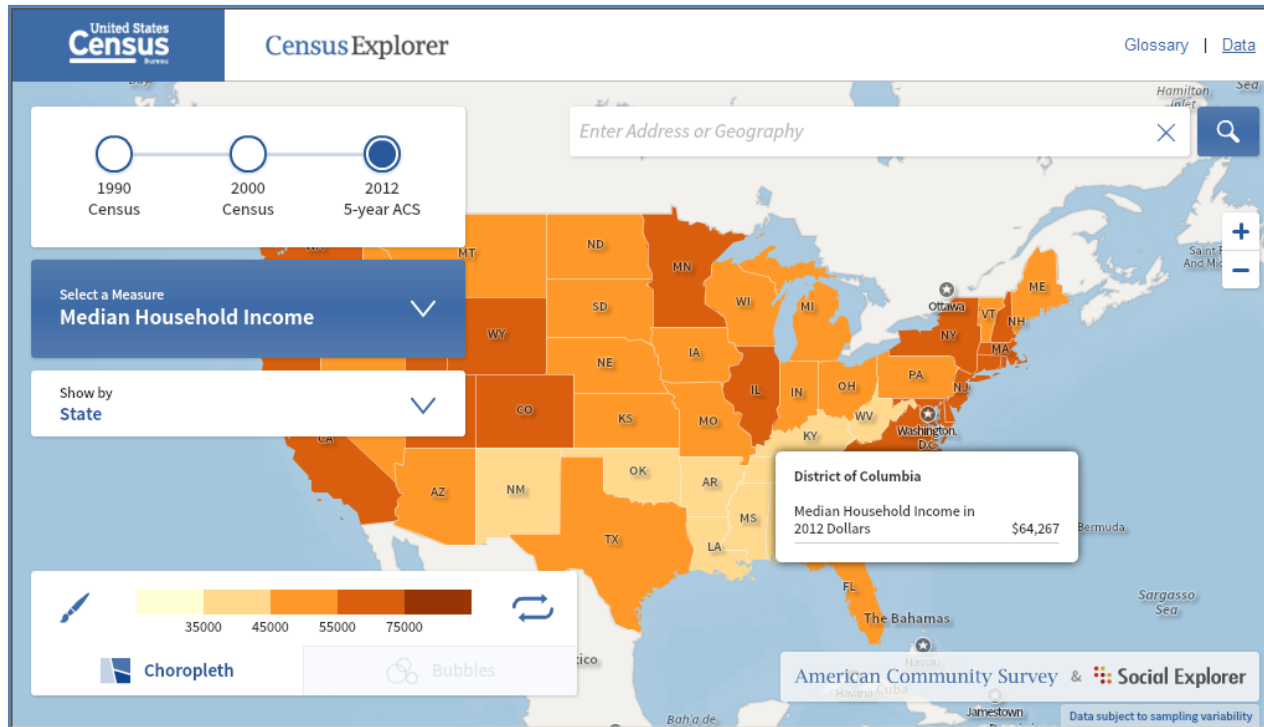
# QuickFacts



**When to use:**  
 Find a fact fast. View selected estimates about social, economic, and housing characteristics for all states and counties, and for cities with more than 5,000 people.

[census.gov/quickfacts](http://census.gov/quickfacts)

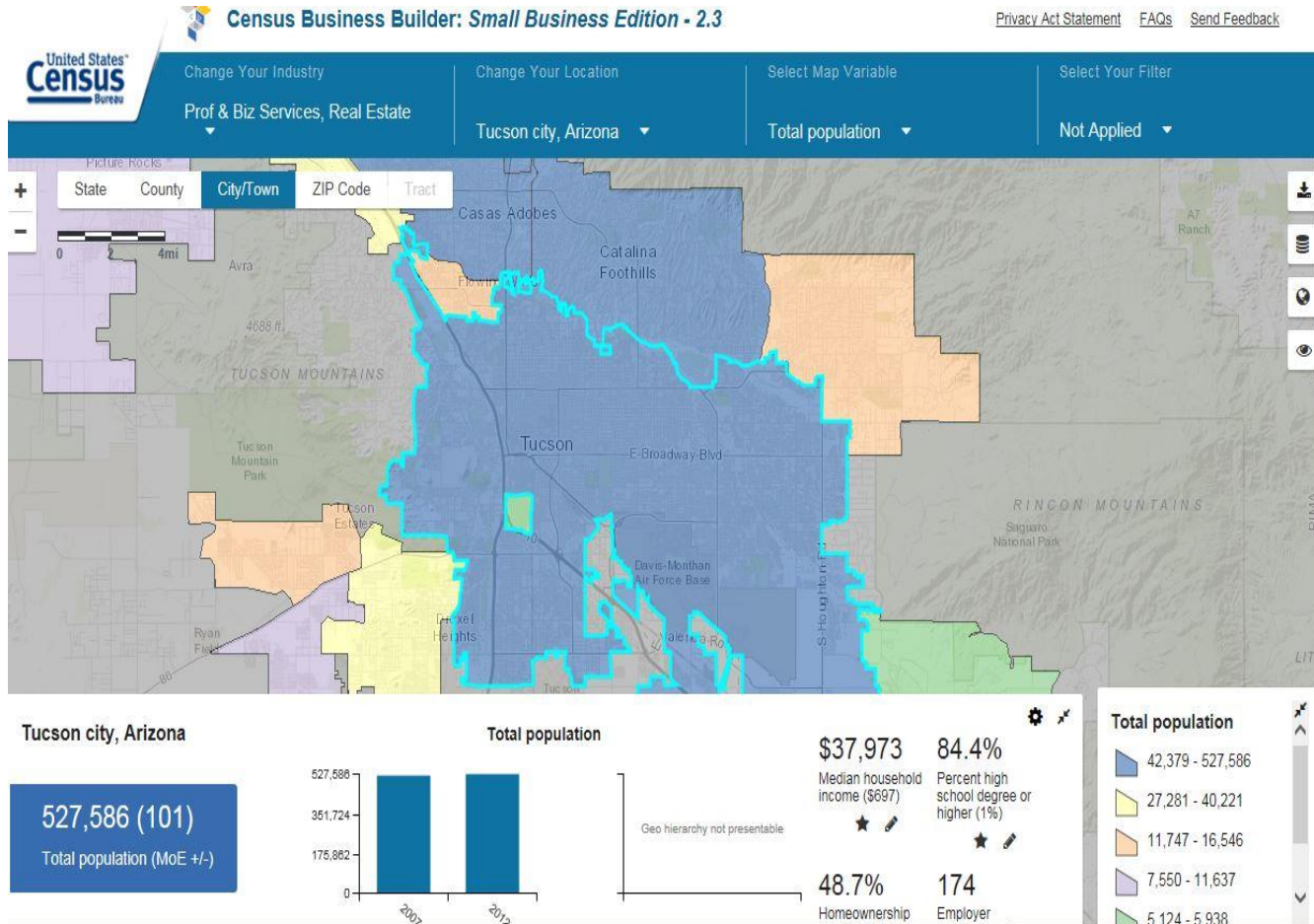
# Census Explorer



**When to use:**  
Explore selected estimates about people, education, income, and commuting in an interactive map to visualize how statistics change over time and across geographies.

[census.gov/censusexplorer](https://census.gov/censusexplorer)

# Census Business Builder



**When to use:**  
Offers prospective business owners selected Census Bureau statistics to guide their research into opening their new business.

[census.gov/data/data-tools/cbb](https://census.gov/data/data-tools/cbb)

# My Congressional District

The screenshot shows the 'My Congressional District' website interface. At the top, there is a silhouette of the U.S. Capitol building with a red banner that says '114th Congress'. Below this is the title 'My Congressional District'. In the top right corner, it says 'Tell us what you think'. The main content area features two dropdown menus: the first is labeled '1 Select a State' and the second is labeled '2'. To the right of these menus are six icons representing different data categories: People, Workers, Housing, Socio-Economic, Education, and Business. Below the dropdowns is a map of the United States with state boundaries. A central text box explains that the tool provides quick access to statistics from the American Community Survey (ACS) and County Business Patterns (CBP). At the bottom left, there is a logo for the United States Census Bureau, and at the bottom right, it says 'POWERED BY The American Community Survey and County Business Patterns'.

Tell us what you think

114th Congress

## My Congressional District

1 Select a State

2

People Workers Housing Socio-Economic Education Business

My Congressional District gives you quick and easy access to selected statistics collected by the U.S. Census Bureau through the [American Community Survey \(ACS\)](#) and [County Business Patterns \(CBP\)](#). The ACS provides detailed demographic, social, economic, and housing statistics every year for the nation's communities. CBP provides annual statistics for businesses with paid employees at a detailed geography and industry level. My Congressional District is powered by ACS and CBP data through the [Census Application Programming Interface \(API\)](#).

**Sources: 2015 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates and 2014 County Business Patterns**

United States Census Bureau  
U.S. Department of Commerce  
Economics and Statistics Administration  
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The American Community Survey and County Business Patterns

**When to use:**  
Access selected statistics about your Congressional district collected through the American Community Survey (ACS) and County Business Patterns (CBP).

[census.gov/mycd/](https://census.gov/mycd/)

# My Tribal Area

Tell us what you think >

## My Tribal Area

Enter name of Tribal Area  
OR

1 Select a State

2

People Jobs Housing Economy Education

The Census Bureau collects data for the American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) population and publishes specific counts, estimates, and statistics. My Tribal Area gives you quick and easy access to selected statistics from the American Community Survey (ACS). The ACS provides detailed demographic, social, economic, and housing statistics every year for the nation's communities. My Tribal Area is powered by the Census Application Programming Interface (API).

**Source: 2011-2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates**

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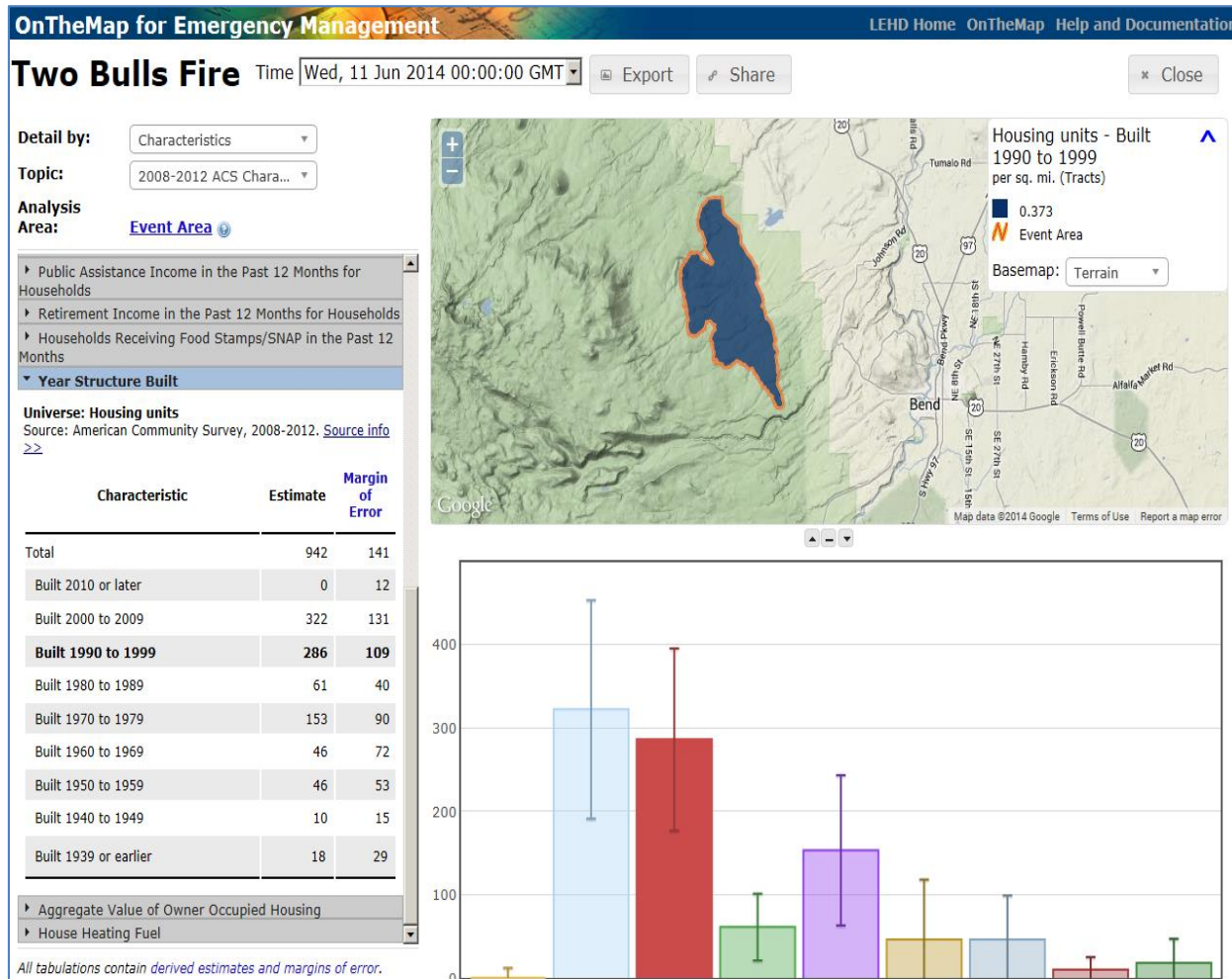
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**The American Community Survey**

Glossary >

**When to use:**  
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[census.gov/tribal/](https://census.gov/tribal/)

# OnTheMap for Emergency Management



**When to use:**  
 Learn about social, economic, housing, and demographic characteristics from the ACS, for all current declared emergency zones. The types of emergencies include disasters, natural hazards, and weather events, such as: hurricanes and tropical storms, floods, winter storms, and wildfires disaster declaration areas

[onthemap.ces.census.gov/em](http://onthemap.ces.census.gov/em)

# American FactFinder

The screenshot shows the American FactFinder website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the U.S. Department of Commerce logo, the United States Census Bureau logo, and the American FactFinder title. A search bar is visible with a magnifying glass icon and the word 'KANSAS' entered. To the right of the search bar are links for 'Feedback', 'FAQs', and 'Glossary'. Below the navigation bar is a main menu with options: 'MAIN', 'COMMUNITY FACTS', 'GUIDED SEARCH', 'ADVANCED SEARCH', 'DOWNLOAD CENTER', and language options 'English' and 'Espa'. A notification banner states: 'The U.S. Census Bureau's newly designed American Community Survey (ACS) website is now available.' The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column contains a 'Community Facts' section with a description and a search input field containing 'e.g., Atlanta, GA' and a 'GO' button. Below this are links for 'Guided Search', 'Advanced Search', and 'Download Center'. The right column features a large image of a smiling young woman in a classroom. Below the image is a 'Popular Tables' section with two columns of links: 'Population and Housing' (including Annual Population Estimates, Demographic and Housing Estimates, General Housing Characteristics, and General Demographic Characteristics) and 'Poverty and Income' (including General Economic Characteristics). Below the Popular Tables section is a 'News and Notes' section with a 'GET EMAIL UPDATES' button and a date 'June 02, 2015'.

**When to use:**  
Search all ACS data for  
all geographies down to  
the block group level

[factfinder.census.gov](http://factfinder.census.gov)



# Application Programming Interface (API)

Census.gov Data Developers

## Developers

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The Census Bureau has begun rolling out our datasets via APIs. Check out our [Discovery Tool](#). Sign up for our [newsletter](#) to get the latest updates and newest dataset addition. We also invite you to make requests for features / data via our [forum](#).

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CITY SDK



MYOM: Make Your Own Maps!



Developers' Forum (Gitter.im)



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A video player interface for a tutorial titled 'CitySDK Tutorial with Jeff Meisel'. The video thumbnail shows a city skyline. Below the video are sections for 'Sources', 'Code Examples', and 'Gallery'. The 'Sources' section lists 'The State of the "Building Data" Initiative' and 'New York's Urban Research and Analytics'. The 'Code Examples' section lists 'Using the Census API' and 'Using the Census API with Mapbox'. The 'Gallery' section lists 'Bureau Applications from Census, U.S. D.O.' and 'NYC's People, Places &amp; Movement Stories'. There is also a 'The Opportunity Project' section with a 'View Project' button.



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**International Trade (Time Series: 2005 - present)**

June 02, 2017

The International Trade Datasets provide detailed monthly and annual statistics on trade between the United States and its international trade partners.

# Preview New Data Dissemination on [Data.census.gov](https://data.census.gov)



## Explore Census Data

The Census Bureau serves as the leading source of quality data about the nation's people and economy.

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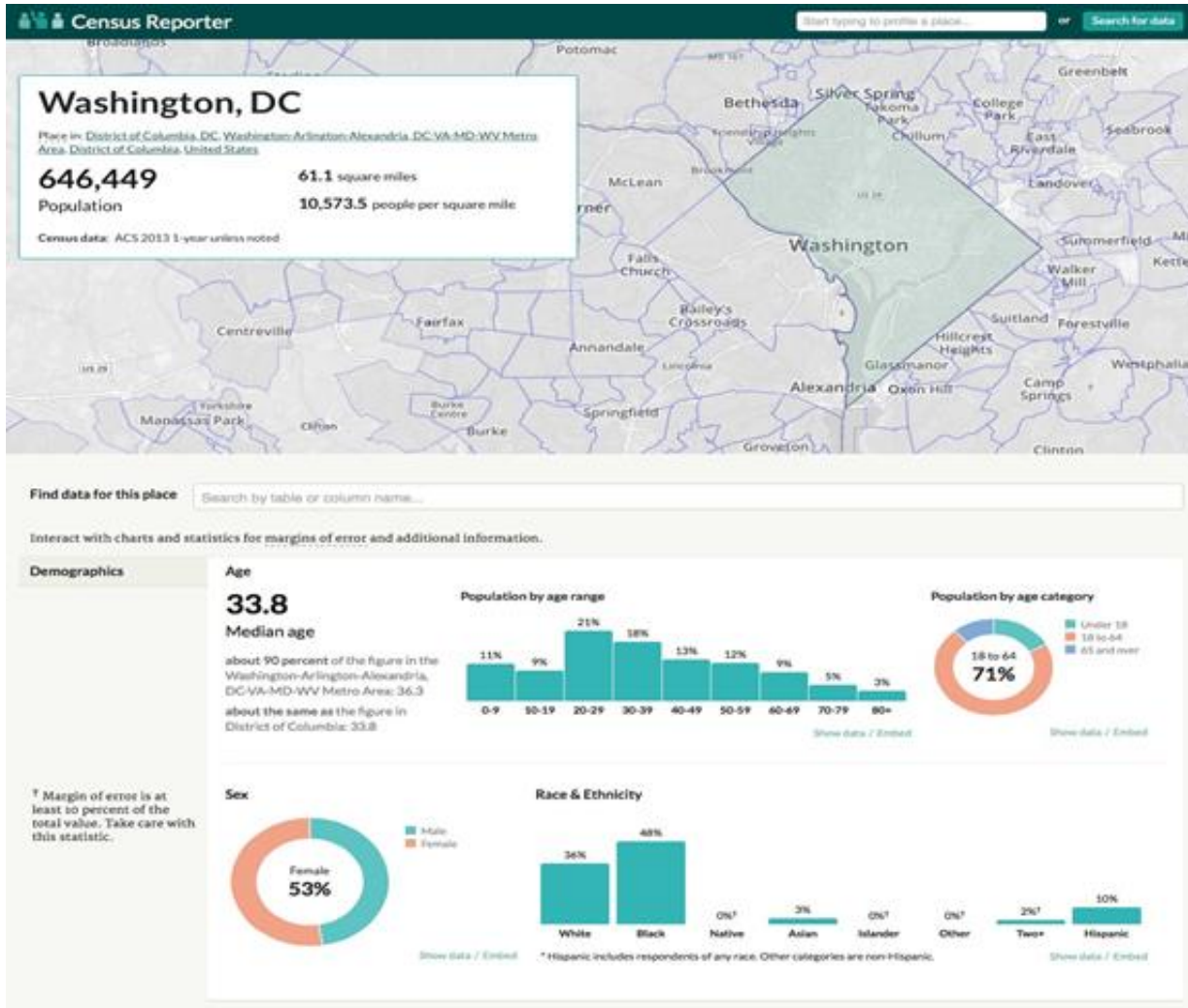
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Your input is important as we develop this platform. Start searching and let us know how we can make your experience better.

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\*For official statistics, continue to use existing data tools on [census.gov](https://census.gov), such as American FactFinder

# Census Reporter



**When to use:**  
Place profiles and comparison pages provide a friendly interface for navigating data, including visualizations for a more useful first look. Census Reporter also offers handy tools for data comparison and makes it easy to create exports for further analysis in tabular or GIS formats.

[censusreporter.org](https://censusreporter.org)

# Source Us!


*U.S. Census Bureau's 2016 American Community Survey*

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CityLab - Aug 17, 2015  
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Data Dissemination Specialist (DDS)



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# Questions?

