Statistics, Data Tools and Community

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We conduct more than 100 censuses and surveys each year, including:



The Decennial Census – the once-a-decade population and housing count of all 50 states and U.S. territories

The Economic Census – the once-a-five-year measure of American businesses

The American Community Survey – the ongoing, annual survey of the social, economic, housing, and demographic characteristics of the nation's population



Our mission is to serve as the nation's leading provider of quality data about its people and economy

Business Dynamics Statistics (BDS)

- Tracks growth and decline of businesses
 - For states, metro areas, counties
- Answers questions such as:
 - How many new businesses started in a county?
 - How many jobs did they create?
 - How many businesses closed?
 - How many jobs were lost?
 - Did existing businesses grow or shrink?
- Data visualization tool (+download capabilities)

BDS Explorer - Census Bureau



Rate of job creation in Appalachian Region VA counties compared to Northern VA counties



Monthly Geographical Visualization

MARCH 12, 2024



Business Dynamic Statistics are **Backward Looking** but the Business Formation Statistics are Forward Looking

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Major modernizations for the 2022 Economic Census include:

- New content capturing data on emerging topics, such as use and acquisition of business technologies, exported and imported services, telemedicine services, and cannabis.
- Expanded industry coverage to fill an identified data gap on support activities for crop production and animal production not captured in the Census of Agriculture.
- Innovations to the collection instrument—including using machine learning to allow respondents to search industry and product codes—that save time, reduce burden, and decrease the number of cases that require analytical review.
- Collection strategy changes to maximize the use of electronic communication through respondent outreach, email messaging, and phone systems.
- Processing improvements and enhanced tools to optimize review.
- Coordinated respondent and data user outreach paired with website improvements for a better respondent and data user experience.



The Need for the Community Resilience Estimates

COVID-19 pandemic presented the need for timely, accurate, and customizable information about the population.

Many groups reached out to the Census Bureau for data.





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<u>CENSUS</u> 2022 Community Resilience Estimates

2022

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Community resilience is the capacity of individuals and households to absorb, endure, and recover from the health, social, and economic impacts of a disaster such as a hurricane or pandemic. When disasters occur, recovery depends on the community's ability to withstand the effects of the event. In order to facilitate disaster preparedness, the Census Bureau has developed new small area estimates, identifying communities where resources and information may effectively mitigate the impact of disasters.

Variation in individual and household characteristics are determining factors in the differential impact of a disaster. Some groups are less likely to have the capacity and to overcome the obstacles resources presented during a hazardous event. Resilience estimates can aid stakeholders and public health officials in modeling these differential impacts and developing plans to reduce a disaster's potential effects.

Individual and household characteristics from the 2022 American Community Survey (ACS) were modeled, in combination with data from to Population Estimates Program to create the CRE.

Components of Social Vulnerability from the 2022 ACS include:

- Income to Poverty Ratio
- Single or Zero Caregiver Household



Number of Social Vulnerability Components:

0 Components

1-2 Components

3+ Components

Zoom to State:

Select one state

Zoom to County:

Select one or more counties

Benefits of Using the CRE

To identify most at-risk populations for equitable distribution of the resources, use the CRE.

Timeliest, most statistically accurate, and granular measure of vulnerability

Small area methodologies are proven The CRE advances the years of work on the SVI and SoVI





Poverty Status Viewer

- We developed the Poverty Status Viewer, in coordination with the Economic Development Administration, to display Persistent Poverty Counties and High Poverty Areas.
- The tool is used to assist EDA to identify areas for the equity investment priorities.
- The tool displays areas of persistent poverty and high poverty.
- Produced annually. Most recently released March 12.

*Coming soon: Tract-level single year Poverty Estimates (experimental)





EDA-Census Poverty Status Viewer

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High Poverty Area (County/Tract)

Persistent Poverty County

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ABOUT THIS MAP

The EDA-Census Poverty Status Viewer was developed by the U.S. Census Bureau to support the Commerce Department's Economic Development Administration (EDA).

High poverty area estimates include poverty data for the population for whom poverty status is determined using the 2018-2022 American Community Survey 5-year estimates. Estimates go down to the census tract level. Although

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High Poverty Status

High poverty area 20% of the population or more are below the poverty level

Possible high poverty area The confidence interval includes "20% of the population or more are below the poverty level," but the point estimate is lower than that threshold

Not a high poverty area Areas that do not meet either of these criteria

Data not available Data is not shown for these areas



Single-Year Tract Level Poverty Estimates



EDA-Census Poverty Status Viewer

High Poverty Area (County/Tract)

Persistent Poverty County

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Persistent poverty county estimates are defined by the 2017 Consolidated Appropriations Act as "any county that has had 20 percent or more of its population living in poverty over the past 30 years, as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial censuses and the most recent Small

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Persistent Poverty Status

Persistent poverty county Area has been in persistent poverty (20+%) since 1990

Not a persistent poverty county Area has not been in persistent poverty (20+%) since 1990

Data not available These include areas that were not in existence as of 1990, experienced a boundary change, or are uninhabited



Single-Year Tract Level Poverty Estimates

Other Census Bureau Data Products

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During the Breakouts Visit:

- **Chip Walker** for My Community Explorer and Census Business Builder
- Bethany DeSalvo and Chase Sawyer for Community Resilience Estimates and the Poverty Status Viewer
- Martha Stinson for Business Dynamics Statistics
- Cathy Hartz and Robin Bachman for general Census Bureau data tools and products



Thank You!

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