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New Homepage: census.gov

The screenshot shows the United States Census Bureau homepage. At the top, the logo reads "United States Census Bureau". Navigation tabs include "People", "Business", "Geography", "Data", "Research", and "Newsroom". A search bar is located on the right. A dropdown menu is open under the "Data" tab, listing options: "Quick Facts", "American FactFinder", "Population Finder", "2010 Census", "Economic Census", "Interactive Maps", "Training & Workshops", "Data Tools", "Catalogs", and "Publications". A red arrow points from the "American FactFinder" option in the dropdown to a callout box on the right that states: "American FactFinder is the entry point for Census Bureau demographic and economic data".

Below the navigation, there are several featured articles and sections:

- America by the Numbers on C-SPAN: Foreign-Born Population**: Includes a line graph showing the percentage of foreign-born population from 1967 to 2010. The graph shows a peak of 14.7% in 1970 and a current value of 13.2% in 2010.
- QuickFacts**: A section for quick access to facts about people, business, and geography, with a dropdown menu to "Select a state to begin".
- Interactive Map**: A section for exploring Census data through a mashup of population and economic data.
- Census News**: A section with a "Media Advisory -- Census Bureau to Host Embargo-Period Webinar to Highlight First Race, Hispanic Origin, Age and Sex Estimates Since 2010 Census" dated Friday, May 11, 2012.
- Stat of the Day**: A section titled "Working Mothers" stating that 55 percent of mothers with a recent birth were in the labor force in 2010, a slight decrease from 57 percent in 2008.

At the bottom of the page, there is a "We changed our homepage Tell us what you think" message and a "See More" button. The browser address bar shows "http://www.census.gov/main/www/access.html".

Simple Data Searches

Linked from Homepage

The screenshot shows the Census Bureau homepage with several navigation options. A red arrow points from the top right towards the 'QuickFacts' section. Another red arrow points from the top right towards the 'Interactive Map' section. A third red arrow points from the top right towards the 'Population Finder' section. A fourth red arrow points from the top right towards the 'Current Population' section. A blue box on the right side of the page contains a numbered list: 1. QuickFacts, 2. Interactive Map, 3. Population Finder. The 'QuickFacts' section includes a dropdown menu for 'Select a state to begin'. The 'Interactive Map' section includes a map interface. The 'Population Finder' section includes a dropdown menu for 'Select a state to begin'. The 'Current Population' section displays the U.S. population as 313,531,693 and the World population as 7,012,929,633. The 'Census News' section features several news articles with titles and dates. The 'Stat of the Day' section highlights 'Working Mothers' with a statistic. The 'The Week Ahead' section shows a calendar for May 14-18 with no events scheduled.

QuickFacts
Quick, easy access to facts about people, business, and geography.
To begin, select a state from this list or use the map.
Select a state to begin

Interactive Map
Use this map to explore Census data through a mashup of population and economic data.

Population Finder
Find and compare populations of States, Counties, or Cities.
Select a state to begin

Current Population
U.S. 313,531,693
World 7,012,929,633
18:26 UTC (EST+5) May 12, 2012

Census News
Media Advisory -- Census Bureau to Host Embargo-Period Webinar to Highlight First Race, Hispanic Origin, Age and Sex Estimates Since 2010 Census
Friday, May 11, 2012
What: The U.S. Census Bureau will hold a webinar news conference to highlight key findings from its first ... Read More
Census Bureau Reports Foreign-Born Households are Larger Include More Children and Grandparents
Thursday, May 10, 2012
The U.S. Census Bureau reported today that foreign-born are, on average, larger than native households. ... Read More
Media Advisory -- Census Bureau to Host Webinar on Census Coverage Measurement Program
Thursday, May 10, 2012
What: The U.S. Census Bureau will hold a webinar prior to the May 22 release of the 2010 ... Read More
A Look at the Foreign-Born Population, Live on C-SPAN's "Washington Journal" "America By the Numbers" Segment
Thursday, May 10, 2012
On Friday, May 11, at approximately 9:15 a.m. EDT, Elizabeth Grieco, chief of the Foreign-Born Population Branch at ... Read More
2010 Census Shows More than Half of Native Hawaiians and Other Pacific Islanders Report Multiple Races
Tuesday, May 08, 2012
The U.S. Census Bureau released today a 2010 Census brief. The Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Population: ... Read More

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Stat of the Day
Working Mothers
55 percent of mothers with a recent birth were in the labor force in 2010, which was a slight decrease from 57

The Week Ahead
Mon May 14 Tue May 15 Wed May 16 Thur May 17 Fri May 18
No events scheduled on this day

1. QuickFacts
2. Interactive Map
3. Population Finder

1. Quick Facts

Easy access to the 2010 Census Demographic Profile and to the four ACS Data Profiles

State & County QuickFacts

Select a State | USA QuickFacts | What's New | FAQ

Idaho counties- [selection map](#) | Idaho cities- [place search](#) | [More Idaho data sets](#) | [Share this](#)

Select a county [Go] | Select a city [Go]

Boise City (city), Idaho

Further information

People QuickFacts

- Population, 2011 estimate
- Population, 2010
- Population, percent change, 2000 to 2010
- Population, 2000
- Persons under 5 years, percent, 2010
- Persons under 18 years, percent, 2010
- Persons 65 years and over, percent, 2010
- Female persons, percent, 2010

Must meet population threshold of 5,000 residents for inclusion in QuickFacts

- White persons, percent, 2010 (a)
- Black persons, percent, 2010 (a)
- American Indian and Alaska Native persons, percent, 2010 (a)
- Asian persons, percent, 2010 (a)
- Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, percent, 2010 (a)
- Persons reporting two or more races, percent, 2010
- Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin, percent, 2010 (b)
- White persons not Hispanic, percent, 2010

- Living in same house 1 year & over, 2006-2010
- Foreign born persons, percent, 2006-2010

Want more? [Browse data sets for Boise City \(city\)](#)

	Boise City	Idaho
	NA	1,584,985
	205,671	1,567,582
	10.7%	21.1%
	185,787	1,293,953
	6.4%	7.8%
	22.7%	27.4%
	11.2%	12.4%
	50.6%	49.9%
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	89.0%	89.1%
	1.5%	0.6%
	0.7%	1.4%
	3.2%	1.2%
	0.2%	0.1%
	3.0%	2.5%
	7.1%	11.2%
	85.2%	84.0%
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	77.2%	81.1%
	6.9%	5.9%

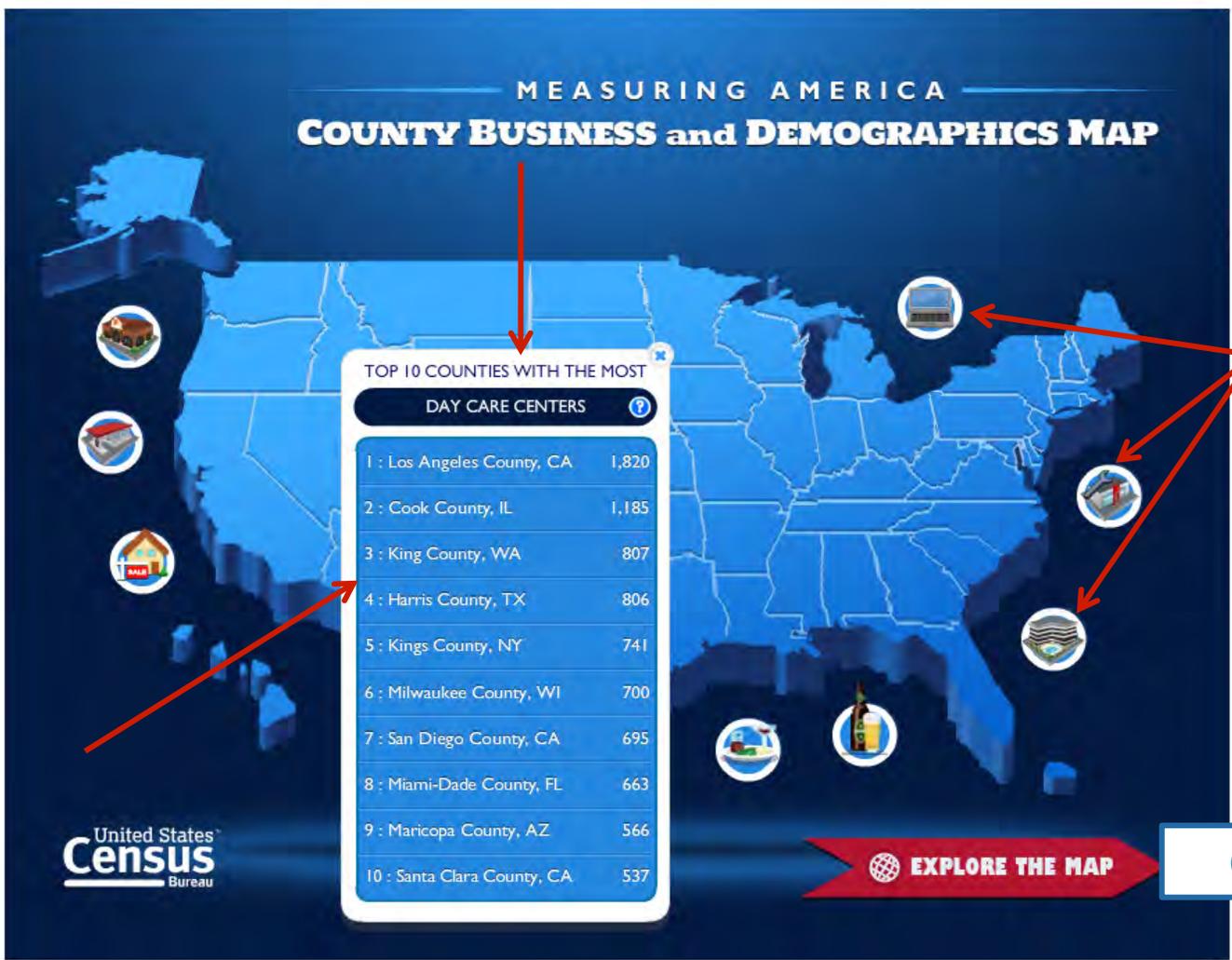
New

2. Interactive Map

This map includes data from the County Business Patterns program and the 2010 Census. County Business Patterns data for 2009 were released in June, 2011.

Explore Census data through a mashup of population and economic data

Icons display 10 top-ranked U.S. counties or states in various types of business



Click arrow

BUSINESS PATTERNS INDUSTRIES POPULATION RACE ETHNICITY AGE / SEX HOUSING STATUS

PROGRAM LEVELS
National View
County / Municipality

Measuring America - People, Places, and Our Economy

United States Census Bureau

This interactive map provides business and population counts and details about industries, Age, Sex, Race, Ethnicity and Housing Status. To view this information, enter the name of your town and state in the window below and click "GET STARTED".

Search
Use the search tools to browse locations.

Select
Select a location shape from the map.

Compare
Click "Compare" to add a location to the chart.

GET STARTED

BUSINESS PATTERNS INDUSTRIES POPULATION RACE ETHNICITY AGE / SEX HOUSING STATUS

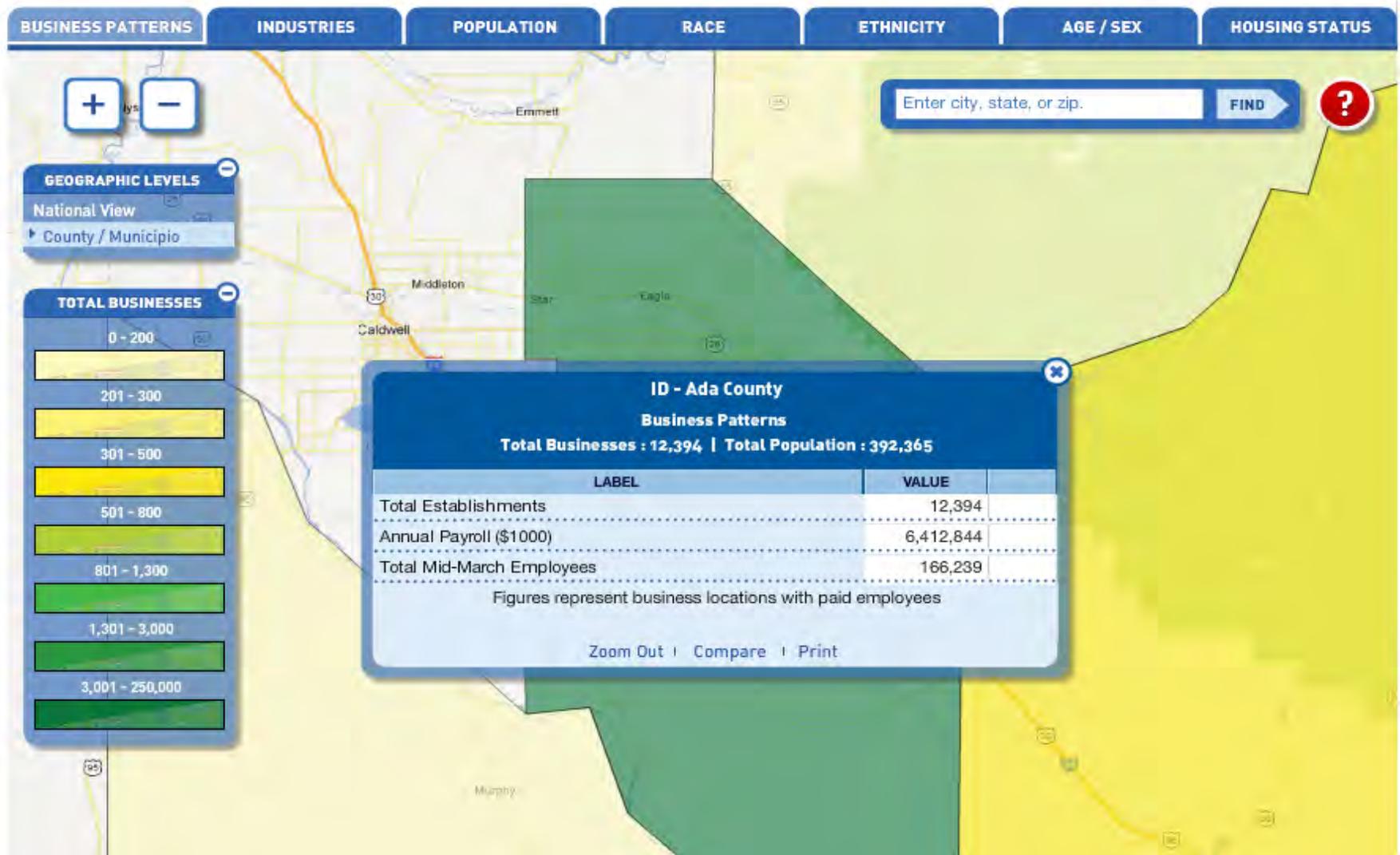
Booe, Idaho FIND

GEOGRAPHIC LEVELS
National View
County / Municipality

TOTAL BUSINESSES

0 - 29,000
29,001 - 48,000
48,001 - 81,000
81,001 - 140,000
140,001 - 198,000
198,001 - 248,000
248,001 - 348,000

This map includes data from the County Business Patterns program and the 2010 Census. County Business Patterns data for 2009 were released in June, 2011.



Displays information from the 2010 Census Demographic Profile (100% count)

3. Population Finder

2010 Population Finder

Select State: Idaho

Display Areas Within

Idaho

Counties / Municipios

Counties / Municipios

Places

AIAN Areas

Congressional Districts

Link To This Page
<http://www.census.gov/popfinc>

Action
Search geographic division(s) under "Idaho".

More Data Tools
Explore this data on the [Interactive Population Map](#)
Use the [American FactFinder](#) to get the full range of 2010 Census statistics currently available.

2010 Demographic Profile

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ID - Idaho

Population	
Total Population	1,587,582

Housing Status (in housing units, unless noted)	
Total	667,796
Occupied	579,408
Owner-occupied	404,903
Population in owner-occupied (number of individuals)	1,092,292
Renter-occupied	174,505
Population in renter-occupied (number of individuals)	446,339
Households with individuals under 18	206,627
Vacant	89,388
Vacant: for rent	16,360
Vacant: for sale	12,814

Population by Sex/Age	
Male	785,324
Female	782,258
Under 18	429,072
18 & over	1,138,510
20 - 24	108,209
25 - 34	208,965
35 - 49	295,169
50 - 64	285,290
65 & over	194,668

Population by Ethnicity	
Hispanic or Latino	175,901
Non Hispanic or Latino	1,391,681

Population by Race	
White	1,398,497
African American	9,810
Asian	19,069
American Indian and Alaska Native	21,441
Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander	2,317
Other	79,523
Identified by two or more	38,925

- (Select state on homepage)
- Re-select state here
- Click on Areas Within to see the four geographic types available
- Select Places (cities)
- Select Search (hidden) . . .

Refining Your Search

2010 Demographic Profile
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ID - Idaho

Make selection from alphabetical listing of geographies for the state

Population

Total Population	1,567,592
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Housing Status
(in housing units unless noted)

Total	667,798
Occupied	579,408
Owner-occupied	404,903
Population in owner-occupied (number of individuals)	1,092,292
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Population by Race

White	1,396,487
African American	9,810

Action
records returned. "Places" selection updated.

More Data Tools

Displays selected city (or other selected geography) on top of page and retains the selected state at the bottom

Select State 

Idaho

Display **Areas Within**

Places

Boise City city

Display

Link To This Page

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

Action

"ID - Boise City city" added to display.

More Data Tools

Explore this data on the [Interactive Population Map](#)

Use the [American FactFinder](#) to get the full range of 2010 Census statistics currently available.

[Summary files](#), that contain detailed table for all geographic levels within a state, are available for download.

2010 Demographic Profile

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ID - Boise City city

Population

Total Population	205,671
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Housing Status

(in housing units unless noted)

Total	92,700
Occupied	85,704
Owner-occupied	52,345
Population in owner-occupied (number of individuals)	129,255
Renter-occupied	33,359
Population in renter-occupied (number of individuals)	72,698
Households with individuals under 18	25,389
Vacant	6,996
Vacant: for rent	3,154
Vacant: for sale	1,664

Population by Sex/Age

Male	101,690
Female	103,981
Under 18	46,754
18 & over	158,917
20 - 24	16,966
25 - 34	32,135
35 - 49	41,657
50 - 64	39,163
65 & over	22,953

Population by Ethnicity

Hispanic or Latino	14,606
Non Hispanic or Latino	191,065

Population by Race

White	182,991
African American	3,043
Asian	6,501
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,404
Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander	457
Other	5,139
Identified by two or more	6,138



ID - Idaho



Population Finder

Find and compare populations of States, Counties, or Cities.

Select a state to begin

Current Population

U.S. 313,531,531

World 7,012,924,032

17:48 UTC (EST+5) May 12, 2012

See More

What: The U.S. Census Bureau will hold a webinar prior to the May 22 release of the 2010 Read More

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Thursday, May 10, 2012

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"Megafooter"
Links to program pages and special interest pages

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View Calendar

Measuring America—People, Places, and Our Economy

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- Is this form legitimate?
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Data by Sector:

- Economy-Wide
- Construction
- Governments
- International Trade
- Manufacturing
- Retail Trade
- Services
- Wholesale Trade
- Other Sectors

Special Topics:

- Business Dynamics

The Economic Census

- Every five years (2002, 2007, 2012, etc.) for every industry
- Statistics for U.S., states, metro areas, counties, and cities

[2012 Economic Census Preview](#)

Search Databases: [2007](#) | [2002](#)

Economic Indicators

- Monthly and quarterly for selected sectors.
- National statistics only.

[Indicator Release Schedule](#)

[Search Indicator Databases](#)

Industry Search:

Other Economic Programs

- Annually for selected sectors.
- National statistics, primarily.
- Featured Sites:

[Annual Capital Expenditures](#)
[County Business Patterns](#)
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[Statistics of U.S. Businesses](#)

Learn more about business and industry data with slide shows from recent seminars.

- Data by Geography**
- Data by Survey
- FAQs

Select data set by geography

Industry Search:

- U.S.**
- States
- Metro areas
- Counties
- Cities
- ZIP Codes
- Compare All

Programs with national and subnational data ¹

Click on year to go to latest data.

	U.S.	States	Metro areas	Counties	Cities	ZIP codes
Economic Census 2007, 2002	2007					
Survey of Business Owners (incl. minorities, women)	2007					
Statistics of U.S. Businesses (firms by size)	2009	2009	2009			
Statistics of U.S. Businesses (estab. births, deaths)	2009	2009	2008	2008		
County Business Patterns	2009	2009	2009	2009		2009
Nonemployer Statistics	2009	2009	2009	2009		
Business Dynamics Statistics (firm size and age)	2009	2009				
Local Employment Dynamics: Qtrly Workforce Indicators		2010	2010	2010		
Commodity Flow Survey	2007	2007				
Annual Survey of Manufactures	2010	2010				
Building Permits	2011					
Governments	2007	2007		2007	2007	
Foreign Trade: State Exports	2010	2010				

¹ All other business and industry data are published only at the national level

Poverty

The screenshot shows the U.S. Census Bureau website's 'Poverty' section. At the top, the U.S. Census Bureau logo is on the left, and navigation links for 'People', 'Business', 'Geography', 'Newsroom', 'Subjects A to Z', and 'Search@Census' are on the right. Below the header is a navigation bar with buttons for 'Main', 'About Poverty', 'Data', 'Methodology', 'Publications', 'Related Sites', and 'Contact Us'. The main content area is titled 'Poverty' and contains a paragraph explaining that the Census Bureau reports poverty data from several major household surveys, including the Annual Social and Economic Supplement (ASEC) to the Current Population Survey (CPS), the American Community Survey (ACS), the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP), and the Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE) program. A 'Latest Releases' section lists several recent reports, with the SAIPE report for school districts highlighted by a blue box. On the left, a 'Quick Links' sidebar lists 'Overview / Highlights', 'Definitions', 'Poverty Data Sources', 'Microdata Access', and 'Poverty Thresholds', with the first three items boxed in red. On the right, a 'Related Sites' sidebar lists 'Health Insurance', 'Income', 'Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE)', and 'Experimental Poverty Measures', with the 'Income' and 'SAIPE' items boxed in red. A 'Contact Us' sidebar provides contact information for the Demographic Call Center Staff. A large blue box at the bottom right contains the text 'SAIPE provides poverty estimates of children by school district', with a red arrow pointing from the SAIPE report in the 'Latest Releases' section to this box. A red box at the top center contains the text 'What is "poverty?" How is it measured? Which survey should I use?', with red arrows pointing to the 'Definitions', 'Poverty Data Sources', and 'SAIPE' report links.

U.S. Census Bureau

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Poverty

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Quick Links

- Overview / Highlights
- Definitions
- Poverty Data Sources
- Microdata Access
- Poverty Thresholds

Poverty

The Census Bureau reports poverty data from several major household surveys and programs. The Annual Social and Economic Supplement (ASEC) to the Current Population Survey (CPS) is the source of official national poverty estimates. The American Community Survey (ACS) provides single and multi-year estimates for smaller areas. The Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) provides longitudinal estimates. The Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE) program provides model-based poverty estimates for counties and school districts. See [Description of Income and Poverty Data Sources](#) to determine which survey or program meets your specific needs.

Latest Releases

- [Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2010](#) (P60-239)
- [Areas With Concentrated Poverty: 2006-2010](#) (ACSBR/10-17) [PDF - 764k]
- [Child Poverty Brief 2009 and 2010: Rates by Race & Hispanic Origin by State](#) (ACSBR/10-05) [PDF - 1.3M]
- [Poverty: 2009 and 2010 American Community Survey](#) (ACSBR/10-01) [PDF - 737k]
- [Dynamics of Economic Well-Being: Poverty 2004-2006](#)
- [Latest Research - Supplemental Poverty Measure](#)
- Tables of NAS-based Experimental Poverty Estimates: [2009](#)
- [Effect of Benefits and Taxes on Income and Poverty: 2009](#) (R&D)
- [Model-based Small Area Income & Poverty Estimates \(SAIPE\) for School Districts, Counties, and States for 2009](#)
- [Poverty: 2008 and 2009 American Community Survey](#) (ACSBR/09-01) [PDF - 234k]
- [Supplemental Poverty Measure -- Federal Register Notice](#)
- [Observations from the Interagency Technical Working Group on Developing a Supplemental Poverty Measure](#) [PDF - 138k]

Related Sites

- Health Insurance
- Income
- Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE)
- Experimental Poverty Measures

Contact Us

For assistance, please contact the Demographic Call Center Staff at 301-763-2422 or 1-866-758-1060 (toll free) or visit [ask.census.gov](#) for further information.

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Internet 100%

What is "poverty?"
How is it measured?
Which survey should I use?

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SAIPE provides poverty estimates of children by school district

American FactFinder

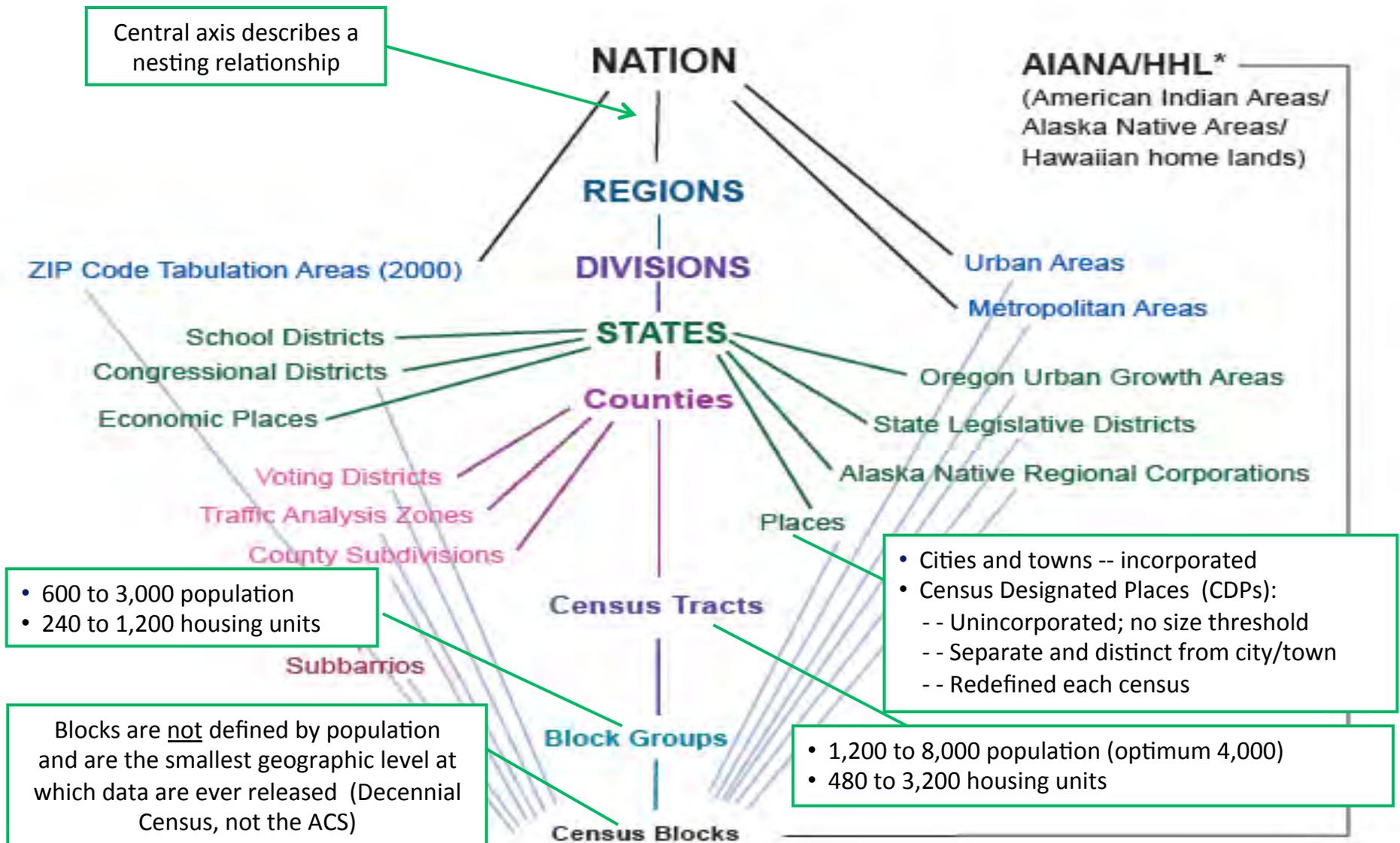
Three Simple Things You Need to Know Before Embarking on Your Search

1. What is Census geography?
2. What's the difference between race and ethnicity?
3. Which demographic program should I use?

Census Geography Hierarchy

(with 2010 Statistical Area Criteria)

Revised 05-13-12



2010 Census

Questionnaire Topics

- (Name)
- Sex
- Age
- Date of birth
- Ethnicity
- Race
- Relationship of people within household
- Rent / own house (tenure)
- (Coverage questions)

2010 Census Data Release Schedule



2010 CENSUS DATA PRODUCTS: UNITED STATES *At a Glance* (Version 1.9)

Revised May 9, 2012

Planned Release Date ¹	Standard Data Products	Lowest Level Geography
<u>States:</u> Released February 3, 2011— March 24, 2011	2010 Census Redistricting Data (P.L. 94-171) Summary File: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State population counts for race and Hispanic or Latino categories • State housing unit counts by occupancy status (occupied units, vacant units) <i>Media: Internet tables, DVD, download capability</i>	Blocks
<u>National:</u> Released April 14, 2011	National Summary File of Redistricting Data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Population and housing unit counts for the United States, regions, divisions, and American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian Areas <i>Media: Internet tables, download capability</i>	American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian areas
<u>States:</u> Released May 5-26, 2011 <u>National:</u>	Demographic Profile: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selected population and housing characteristics • Includes Congressional Districts of the 111th Congress 	Places/Functioning Minor Civil Divisions ²

Population Estimates

Intercensal Year Releases

- Population counts
 - Nation - - age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin
 - States - - age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin
 - Counties - - age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin
 - Incorporated places - - total population only
- Housing unit counts
 - States
 - Counties

Population Estimates Release Schedule

Population Estimates



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Schedule of New Estimates

The annual population and housing unit estimates are released on a flow basis throughout the year, beginning with the national and state total estimates release in December and ending with the state and county housing unit estimate release during the following summer.

Population Detail	Latest Data Available	Date of Next Release (7/1/2011 data)
National and State population and demographic components of population change	7/01/2011	12/2012 (7/01/2012 data)
Puerto Rico Commonwealth population estimates	7/01/2011	12/2012 (7/01/2012 data)
State and Puerto Rico Commonwealth population 18 and over	7/01/2011	1/2013 (7/01/2012 data)
County population and demographic components of population change	7/01/2009	4/2012
Puerto Rico municipio population	7/01/2009	4/2012
Metropolitan and micropolitan statistical area population and demographic components of population change	7/01/2009	4/2012
National population by age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin	7/01/2009	5/2012
State population by age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin	7/01/2009	5/2012
Puerto Rico Commonwealth population by age and sex	7/01/2009	5/2012
County population by age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin	7/01/2009	5/2012
Puerto Rico municipio population by age and sex	7/01/2009	5/2012
National, State, and County housing units	7/01/2009	6/2012
Incorporated place and minor civil division population	7/01/2009	6/2012

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division

[Questions?](#) / 1-866-758-1060

American Community Survey (ACS) Content

- Four types of characteristics
 - Social
 - Economic
 - Housing
 - Demographic
- Characteristics, not population counts

Topics Covered by the ACS

01 = Age and Sex	15 = Educational Attainment
02 = Race	16 = Language Spoken at Home and Ability to Speak English
03 = Hispanic or Latino Origin	17 = Poverty
04 = Ancestry	18 = Disability
05 = Foreign Born, Citizenship; Year of Entry; Nativity	19 = Income (Households and Families)
06 = Place of Birth	20 = Earnings and Income (Individuals)
07 = Residence 1 Year Ago; Migration	21 = Veteran Status
08 = Journey to Work; Workers; Commuting	22 = Food Stamps
09 = Children; Household Relationship	23 = Employment Status; Work Experience; Labor Force
10 = Grandparents; Grandchildren	24 = Industry & Occupation; Class of Worker
11 = Household Type; Family Type; Subfamilies	25 = Housing
12 = Marital Status and History	26 = Group Quarters
13 = Fertility	27 = Health Insurance
14 = School Enrollment	99 = Imputation table for any topic

Proposed Content Updates for 2013

- Computer and internet usage
- Food stamps (Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program – SNAP)
- Parental place of birth
- Veteran's status
- Wages, salary, and property income

The American Community Survey (ACS) Data Release Timetable

Available now

Later this year

Data Product (release month)	Population Threshold of Statistical Area	Year of Data Release							
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
		Year(s) of Data Collection							
1-Year Estimates (September)	65,000 +	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
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- * All Areas = All legal, administrative, and statistical geographic areas down to the blockgroup level.
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Basics of the American Community Survey program and website, with information on content, survey methodology, and data products. How the ACS supplements the 10-year census with continuous social, economic, housing, and demographic data.

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Examples and suggestions for using 4 types of data profiles, 4 types of tables, thematic maps, and Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) Files. How period estimates and sampling error measures could affect your results.

[Things that May Affect the Estimates from the American Community Survey \[PPT 215KB\]](#)

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Because the American Community Survey is a sample survey, sampling error is inevitable. How 4 different measures of sampling error are calculated, what they mean, and how you can use them to draw appropriate conclusions. Plus a brief look at non-sampling error and population controls.

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Get the most out of ACS data by knowing how geographic areas are defined in different ways and different estimates. The difference between legal and administrative areas is important.

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The strength of the American Community Survey is in estimating characteristic distributions. We recommend users compare derived measures such as percents, medians, and rates rather than estimates of population totals.

Can I compare...?

- American Community Survey 1-Year estimates with other data ?**
 - ACS 1-year estimates with Census 2000
 - ACS 1-year estimates from different years.
 - Use Caution:** Because ACS variables change over time, some areas and subjects must be **compared with caution**, or **not compared at all**.

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- Table-specific Guidance
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- Comparison Quick Guide (2009)

Comparing ACS Estimates: Three Possible Outcomes

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The 2009 ACS and 2010 ACS 1-year estimates use a different Census base year for the population estimates used in the ACS weighting. As a result, users should use caution when making comparisons across years. Specifically, estimates of the number of people in a given location (population size) are not strictly comparable between these two years. In general, the change to more current population estimates is not expected to have a meaningful impact in the percent distributions, rates, or ratios for non-demographic characteristics for many of the largest geographic areas. The Census Bureau is currently researching the effect on these distributions. For more details, visit the ACS Research Note [Change in Population Controls](#).

Guidance on [comparing 2005-2007 ACS 3-year estimates to 2008-2010 ACS 3-year estimates](#)

Subject Area ^{1*}	2010 ACS 1-Year, 2008-2010 ACS 3-Year, and 2006-2010 ACS 5-Year with Census 2000	2010 ACS 1-Year with 2009 ACS 1-Year	2010 ACS 1-Year, 2008-2010 ACS 3-Year, and 2006-2010 ACS 5-Year with 2010 Census
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Topic	2010 ACS with Census 2000	2010 ACS 1-Year with 2009 ACS 1-Year	2010 ACS with Census 2010
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Cost of Utilities	Compare 3	Compare with Caution (<i>Details</i>)	The question was not asked in the 2010 Census

Aggregating ACS Estimates

How to Calculate the New MOE

Geography	Estimate	Margin of Error
Tract 1	5,264	+/- 1,624
Tract 2	6,508	+/- 1,395
Tract 3	4,364	+/- 1,026
Tract 4	6,865	+/- 1,909
TOTAL	23,001	+/- 5,954

Apply the formula:

$$MOE_{agg} = \pm \sqrt{\sum_c MOE_c^2}$$

New Estimate = 23,001

Equal to the sum of the estimates

New MOE = +/- 3,046

Less than the sum of the MOEs

The estimates in this example are fictitious.

Note the ACS easy calculator next slide. 

Oklahoma Department of Commerce ACS Calculator (the easy way!)



American Community Survey Calculators

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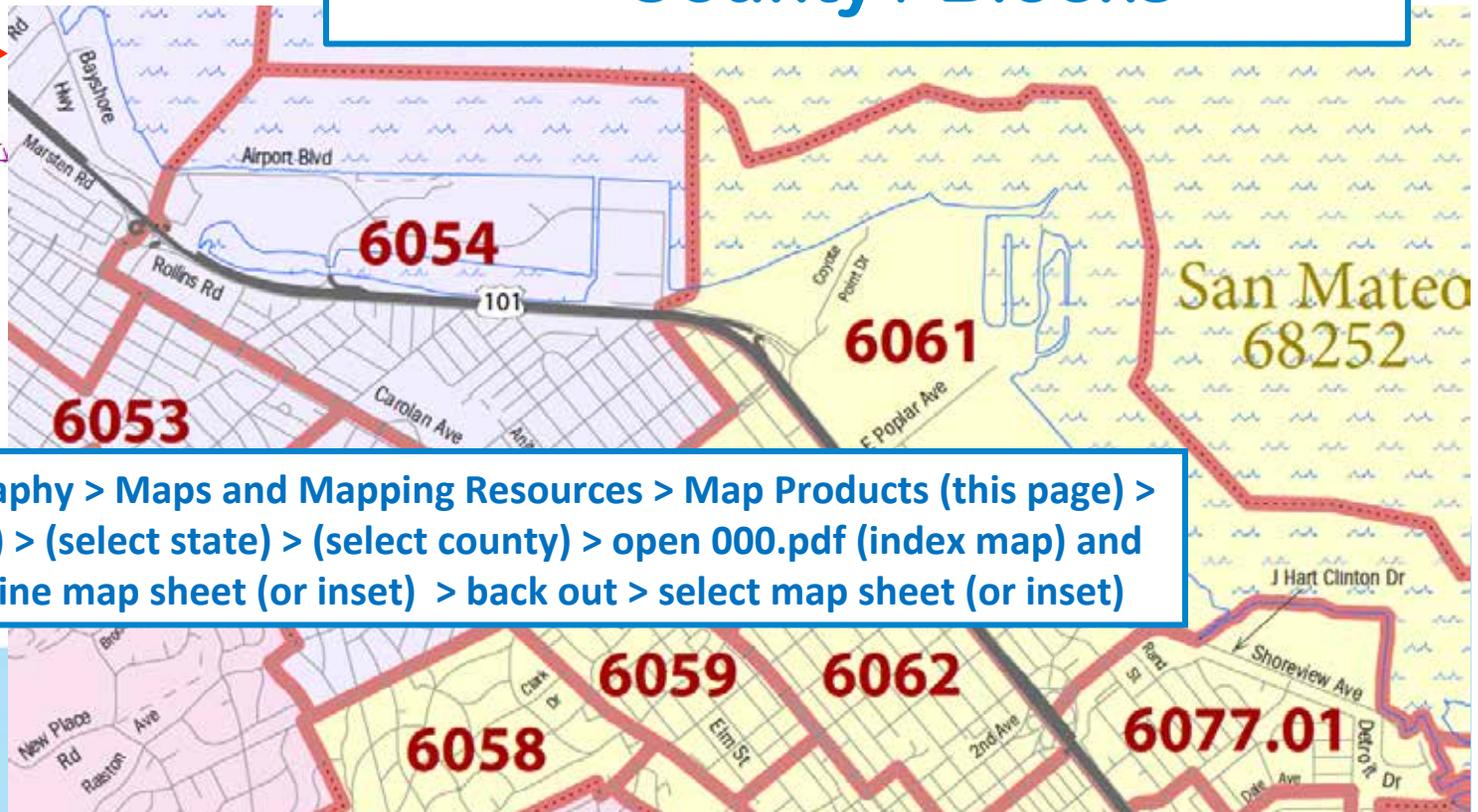
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