

DRAFT Solicitation of Applications for Two Steering Committees

1. ACS DATA USERS GROUP
2. DECENNIAL CENSUS DATA USERS GROUP

DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2024

In partnership with the U.S. Census Bureau, the Population Reference Bureau (PRB) is soliciting applications for membership in two separate Steering Committees to help us plan activities for data users:

1. American Community Survey Data Users Group (ACS DUG) Steering Committee.
2. Decennial Census Data Users Group (Decennial DUG) Steering Committee.

The **ACS DUG Steering Committee** will have approximately 10-12 members who provide feedback to PRB and the Census Bureau on ACS-related activities (e.g., data user events, bi-annual ACS Data User Conferences, and data user surveys), data products, dissemination channels, and/or methods. This ongoing exchange will help the Census Bureau develop innovative data products and dissemination tools that best meet ACS data users' needs. Each year, committee members will participate in four virtual meetings. During the first year, there is potential for one hybrid meeting.

The new **Decennial DUG Steering Committee** will have approximately 10-12 members who will help guide the development of a new online community forum. This forum will be provided to decennial census data users to discuss matters related to decennial census data products. During the first year, committee members will participate in monthly virtual meetings to assist with defining the scope of the new online community forum, website design, and implementation strategy. The following year, committee members will participate in the release and monitoring of the new online forum.

We are looking for enthusiastic, hands-on data users to serve on these committees and anticipate three-year terms for members, to promote continuity of group discussions.

Both groups will be informal and non-advisory, and as such will not be providing the Census Bureau with recommendations resulting from group deliberation or discussion.

If you are interested in being considered for membership in either committee, please apply by answering the questions below. Selected applicants will be chosen for just one committee, and you may indicate your preference for consideration.

The deadline for applications is Friday, < >, 2024. PRB will notify applicants regarding our decisions by < >.

* Required

If you have questions about the DUG Steering Committees or the application process, please contact Beth Jarosz, Senior Program Director in U.S. Programs at PRB, at: bjarosz@prb.org or Diana Elliott, Vice President of U.S. Programs at PRB, at: delliott@prb.org.

1. Privacy Act Statement

The Census Bureau is sponsoring this collection of information for the ACS and Decennial Census Data User Group Steering Committees (0690-0030) under 44 U.S.C. § 3506(d)(2).

The purpose of collecting this information is to solicit applications for data users to serve on the American Community Survey (ACS) Data Users Group (DUG) Steering Committee or the Decennial Census Data Users Group (Decennial DUG) Steering Committee. Personally identifiable information collected includes name and email address.

Disclosure of the information provided to us is permitted under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. § 552a) and may be shared with other Census Bureau staff for work-related purposes. Disclosure of this information is also subject to all of the published routine uses as identified in the Privacy Act System of Records Notices Dept-19, Mailing Lists and Dept-23, Information Collected Electronically in Connection with Department of Commerce (DOC) Activities, Events, and Programs.

Furnishing this information is Voluntary. Failure to provide this information may affect the DOC's ability to set up the steering committees, which impact the online community forums for ACS and Decennial Census data users to facilitate discussion about ACS and decennial census data products. *

I acknowledge receipt of the Census Bureau's Privacy Act Statement

2. First Name: *

3. Last Name: *

4. Position or Job Title: *

5. Organization/Affiliation: *

6. Location (State, Territory, Island Area) *

Alabama

Alaska

Arizona

Arkansas

California

Colorado

Connecticut

Delaware

Florida

Georgia

Hawaii

Idaho

Illinois

Indiana

Iowa

Kansas

Kentucky

Louisiana

Maine

Maryland

Massachusetts

Michigan

Minnesota

Mississippi

Missouri

Montana

Nebraska

Nevada

New Hampshire

New Jersey

New Mexico

New York

North Carolina

North Dakota

Ohio

Oklahoma

Oregon

Pennsylvania

Rhode Island

South Carolina

South Dakota

Tennessee

Texas

Utah

Vermont

Virginia

Washington

West Virginia

Wisconsin

Wyoming

Washington, DC

Puerto Rico

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

American Samoa

Guam

U.S. Virgin Islands

Outside of the U.S.

7. Email Address: *

8. Are you affiliated with (select all that apply): *

- Federal government agency
- State government agency
- Tribal government or organization
- Metropolitan or regional planning agency
- Local government agency
- School, college, or university
- Private, nonprofit organization or foundation
- Private, for-profit organization
- Media organization
- Other

9. Which steering committee are you applying to? *

- ACS Data Users Group
- Decennial Data Users Group
- I would like to be considered for either group

10. Which comes closest to describing how often you use ACS data? *

- Use the data less than once per month
- Use the data about one to two times per month
- Use the data about one to two times per week
- Use the data almost every day

11. How long have you been using ACS data? *

- Less than 1 year
- 1 to 3 years
- 4 to 5 years
- 6 or more years

12. Please indicate which of the following data products and tools you have used to access

ACS data (select all that apply): *

- ACS data tables from data.census.gov
- ACS Public Use Microdata Sample Files
- ACS Summary File
- Microdata Access (MDAT)
- Census API
- Other

13. Please indicate which of the following decennial census data products you have used (select all that apply): *

- 2020 Census Apportionment Results
- 2020 Census Redistricting Data (P.L. 94-171)
- 2020 Census Demographic and Housing Characteristics (DHC) File
- 2020 Census Demographic Profile
- 2020 Census Detailed Demographic and Housing Characteristics File A (Detailed DHC-A)
- 2020 Census Noisy Measurements Files
- 2020 Island Areas Censuses Population and Housing Counts
- 2020 Island Areas Censuses Demographic Profile
- 2020 Island Areas Censuses Demographic and Housing Characteristics
- 2010 Census data products (such as Summary Files)
- 2010 Census Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) Files
- 2010 Demonstration Data Products Suite: Redistricting and DHC (incl. Detailed Summary Metrics)
- Other

14. Please indicate which of the following tools and resources you have used in working with decennial census data (select all that apply): *

- data.census.gov
- Downloadable files from FTP (such as the 2020 Census: Redistricting File (Public Law 94-171) Dataset)
- API
- Technical documentation
- Disclosure avoidance briefs and/or technical papers
- 2010 Demonstration Data Products Suite: Redistricting and DHC
- Webinars (live or recorded)
- Other

15. Please briefly describe how you use the ACS and decennial census data in your work, your involvement in any data user communities, and why you are a good candidate for the ACS and Decennial Census Data Users Group Steering Committees (350 words or less) *

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