

Digging for Data David Kraiker – US Census Bureau



"Current" Surveys

- American Housing Survey (AHS) -> HUD
- Housing Vacancy Survey (HVS) -> NYC
- Consumer Expenditure -> US Dept Labor
- Current Population Survey (CPS) > US Dept Labor
- Nat'l Crime Vicitimization Survey (NCVS) -> US Dept Justice
- Nat'l Health Interview (HIS) -> CDC
- Survey of Income & Program Participation (SIPP) -> Census
- Nat'l Ambulatory Medical Cure Survey -> CDC
- Nat'l Hospital Ambulatory Medical Cure -> CDC
- American Community Survey (ACS) -> Census





DECENNIAL VS. ACS

Decennial Census

- A snapshot every 10 years
- Official count of the population
- Basic Characteristics.
- In tables "2010 Data" or "SF-2, -3, -4, etc."
- Block-level availability



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DECENNIAL VS. ACS



American Community Survey

- A moving picture: monthly
- Sample count based on population thresholds.
- "Deep" Characteristics: Social, Demographic, Economic, Housing
- In tables, refer to: "B-, C-, S-, and DP" id's
- Tract-level availability







Social Characteristics (DP02)

- Educational Attainment
- Marital Status
- Fertility
- Grandparents/Caregivers
- Veterans
- Disability
 - Place of Birth
- Citizenship Status
- Language
- Ancestry/Tribal
- School Enrolment
- Degree





 Economic Characteristics (DP03)

- Income & Earnings
- Class of Worker
- Employment Status
- Occupation
- Industry
- Commute
- Place of Work
- Health Insurance
- Food stamps/SNAP





Housing Characteristics (DPO4)

- Tenure
- Occupancy & Structure
- Housing Value
- Taxes & Insurance
- Utilities
- Mortgage/Monthly Rent
- Year Structure Built
 - Year Householder moved
 - Vehicles
 - Monthly costs



Thresholds for ACS data





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Census Geographies in a Nutshell

Others:

-ZCTA -Place -MCD -Congressional District



Census geographies: blocks, block groups, tracts, counties, and states. Source: Esri



How to use Census Data

1. Geography (State, Co., ZIP or Tract)

2. Subject (Demographic, Economic, etc.)

3. Time Frame (2000,2010, 2009-14 ACS)



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