

# ARDC Newsletter

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*A report of activities of the Atlanta Research Data Center*

## Interested in RDC Research using HUD Data?

The Office of Policy Development and Research, within the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), released in 2013 its Research Roadmap for FY14-18 in order to guide its research priorities. HUD also has an active grant funding program -- I expect that research proposals aligned with HUD's Research Roadmap would receive higher funding priority. There are also a number of HUD data sets available for access with approved projects through the RDC. The general advantage of accessing HUD data through the RDC is a more detailed(?) geography of housing units and detailed micro data not available publically.

- HUD Research Roadmap accessible [here](#)
- HUD grants office [link](#)
- Data available in the RDC:
  - [American Housing Survey \(AHS\)](#)
  - [Rental Housing Finance Survey \(RHFS\)](#)
  - [Public and Indian Housing Information Center Dataset \(PIC\)](#)
  - [Tenant Rental Assistance Certification Systems dataset \(TRACS\)](#)
  - [Computerized Homes underwriting Management System \(CHUMS\)](#)



## Restricted NLSY Data Now Available in the RDC

The Federal Statistical Research Data Center (FSRDC) continues to expand its data offerings through its agency network. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is now allowing researchers to access the restricted National Longitudinal Survey of Youth (NLSY) through the RDCs. And more data sets are on the way! Researchers will apply directly to the BLS for use of the data, and an annual data usage fee of \$4,000 will be payable to the BLS for each project approved. Learn about the application process and details of data available at this [link](#).

## Atlanta Researchers at the FSRDC Research Conference

The annual FSRDC Research Conference was held in College Station, TX in September. Three researchers from the Atlanta RDC presented their work:

- J. Dustin Tracy (GSU), "The Cost of Free Lunch: The Effect of Regulating Meals and Gifts on Prescribers"
- Chris Clapp (FSU), "Should My Car Move or Should I? A Model of Residential and Commuting Choices"
- Julie Hotchkiss (FRBA), "Wage Determination in Social Occupations: The Role of Individual Social Capital"

## Approved and Active Projects

See the ARDC web site (<http://atlantardc.org>) for information and links for writing proposals. The list below reflects only those projects that are active, or are approved but not yet started.

### Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta:

- "An Empirical Study of Entry and Exit with Multiple Firm Types"  
Tim Dunne, Shawn Klimek (Census), Mark Roberts (Penn State), Yi Xu (Duke)
- "Research on Regional Economic Indicators and Current Business Dynamics"  
Tim Dunne; Javier Miranda and Emin Dinlersoz (Census); Kimberley Bayard and John Stevens (Fed Board of Governors)
- "The Role of Social Capital in Labor Markets, Migration, and Survey Response"  
Julie Hotchkiss, Anil Rupasingha (USDA); Tom Qu and Kalee Burns (GSU)
- "Developing Historic Data on U.S. Manufacturing"  
Tim Dunne; Randy Becker and Cheryl Grim (Census)
- "Wage Rigidity and the Cross-Sectional Stock Returns" Bin Wei, Lei Fang; Vivian Yue (Emory)

### University of Tennessee-Knoxville:

- "Tuskegee & Disparities in Healthcare and Health Outcomes"  
Marianne Wanamaker and Marcella Alsan (Stanford)
- "Imputing Small Area Sample Weights for Public Use Microdata: Increasing the Geographic Scope of the PUMS"  
Nicholas Nagle, Kevin Krivacsy; and Barbara Buttenfield and Stefan Leyke (U of CO)
- "Contextual Effects of Community Characteristics on Health Care Behaviors among Older Foreign-born Individuals"  
Sunha Choi
- "Access to Healthcare among Asian Subgroups in the U.S.: Examining the Interaction between Community- and Individual-level Characteristics using Multilevel Modeling"  
Sunha Choi

### University of Georgia:

- "The Impact of Health Insurance Coverage on the Labor Supply of Welfare Recipients"  
Vincent Pohl
- "LEHD Infrastructure Project"  
Ian Schmutte and others at Cornell University
- "Employee Risk Tolerance and Corporate Decisions"  
Jack He, Tao Shu; Lei Li (University of Kansas)
- "Home Equity Lending and Small Business: Relaxing Constraints in Texas"  
Ian Schmutte, William Lastrapes, and Chadi Abdallah (Miami University)

### **Georgia State University:**

- "Racial Preference in Real Estate Transactions and Its Impacts on Neighborhood"  
Vincent Yao; Geng Li (Federal Reserve Board of Governors), Danielle Sandler (Census)
- "The Effect of Medical Marijuana Laws on Prescription Drugs"  
Pelin Ozluk and Charles Courtemanche
- "Consequence of Earnings Nonresponse in CPS"  
Barry Hirsch; Chris Bollinger, Charles Hokayem, Jim Ziliak (U of KY)
- "Determinants of Educational and Developmental Outcomes among Adopted and Non-adopted Children"  
Tomeka Davis, Regina Werum (Emory), Irene Browne (Emory), and Simon Cheng (U of CT)
- "Geospatial Factors and Impacts II"  
Lee Mobley and Tzy-Mey Kuo (UNC-Chapel Hill)
- "An Econometric Framework for Causal Analysis of Obesity Policy Alternatives"  
Charles Courtemanche
- "Estimating Long-run Determinants of Social, Demographic, and Economic Characteristics" by  
Spencer Banzhaf, Melissa Banzhaf (Census), Martha Bailey (U of Michigan), Janet Currie (Princeton), and W. Reed Walker (UC – Berkeley)
- "Identifying Agglomeration Spillovers: New Evidence from Large Plant Openings"  
Carlianne Patrick and Mark Partridge (Ohio State U)
- "Do Big Box Grocers Improve Food Security?"  
Charles Courtemanche
- "The Effect of Regulating Meals and Gifts to Prescribers"  
J. Dustin Tracy
- "Did the Great Recession 'Great Recession of 2008-2009' Modify the Health Status of US Adults?" Charles Courtemanche, Jaesang Sung, and Doug Roblin
- "Disparities in Smoking-Related Mortality Among African Americans" Pratibha Nayak, Terry Frank Pechacek; Paul D. Mowery (Biostatistics, Inc.)

### **Emory University:**

- "Assess the Effect of Indoor Tanning on Melanoma"  
Ying Zhou; Yang Liu (Emory)
- "Business Cycles and the Behavior of Constrained and Unconstrained Firms"  
Kaiji Chen, Anne Hannusch, Zhao Li, and Tong Xu; and Patrick Higgins and Tao Zha (FRBA)
- "The Roles of Health Condition, Health Behaviors and Socioeconomic Factors in Racial Disparities in Sepsis"  
Jordan Kempker, Greg Martin, Michael Kramer, and Lance Waller
- "The Impact of Pain Management Drugs after Joint Replacement on Health Costs and Outcomes"  
Kenneth Thorpe and Peter Joski
- "Understanding Medicaid Coverage Discontinuity"  
Xu Ji, Janet Cummings, Benjamin Druss, and Adam Wilk

**Florida State University:**

"Improving the Connection Between the Spatial and the Survey Sciences"

David Folch, James Gaboardi; Nicholas Nagle and Parmanand Sinha (UT-Knoxville); and Seth Spielman (U of CO), Chris Fowler (Penn State)

"Should My Car Move or Should I? A Model of Residential and Commuting Choices"

Christopher Clapp

**Georgia Institute of Technology:**

"Analyzing the Long-term Effectiveness of Business Assistance on Firm Productivity and Survival"

Jan Youtie and Sanjay Arora; Cliff Lipscomb and Andy Krause (Greenfield Advisors)

"Organizations in the Digital Economy: Information Technology Use, Complementary Investments, and Their Impacts on Firm Outcomes"

Patricia Angle; Kristina McElheran (U of Toronto); Chris Forman (Cornell), Lynn Riggs (Baylor), Naomi Hausman (Hebrew University of Jerusalem); Robert Bray (Northwestern); and Mercedes Delgado (Temple University)

**Other:**

"Disability Insurance and Employment Decisions"

Susan Chen (University of Alabama); Tanya Byker, John Bound, Peter Hudomiet, Ann Rodgers, Bryan Stuart, Desmond Toohey (University of Michigan); and Angela VanDerwerken (University of Albany)



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