ACRDC Newsletter

A report of activities of the Atlanta Census Research Data Center

Save the Date - October 9, 2015
The 3rd annual ACRDC Research Conference will be held at the Georgia Tech Conference Center in Atlanta, GA. It will be a full day of local RDC Research and networking. Please click on this survey link to express your interest (no commitment) to attend: Go to Survey Monkey

National RDC Conference September 17-18, 2015
The national RDC Research Conference will be held in Stanford, CA this year. This is an opportunity to interact with both RDC researchers and Census Bureau staff.

New Data
CES would like to announce that data from the National Survey of College Graduates (NSCG) is now available via the Research Data Centers (RDCs) to approved and authorized projects. The 2010 NSCG file is now available, the first data from this survey to be made available in the RDCs. The NSCG is a longitudinal biennial survey conducted since the 1970s that provides data on the nation’s college graduates, with particular focus on those in the science and engineering workforce. More information about the data can be found here.

Special Issue of JPAM -- Big Data and Public Policy
Please see the Call for Papers for a special issue of the Journal of Policy Analysis and Management (JPAM) focused on "Big Data and Public Policy."

Also, the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) is inviting submissions for a complementary workshop, "Big Data and Public Policy," to be held just prior to the APPAM Fall Research Conference in November. See additional information here.

Both are calling on users of "big" and "unique" data to participate. Sounds like a perfect opportunity for RDC researchers...

ACRDC Research Assistance
Getting to Atlanta for many of our Atlanta RDC researchers involves a 2-5 hour drive. In order to make the time spent in Atlanta as productive as possible, the ACRDC funds a research assistant to help with preliminary data cleaning, organization, and analysis. The RA has Special Sworn Status and can, therefore, be added to your RDC project in a relatively short amount of time. Please contact Melissa Banzhaf to discuss your research assistance needs.
Projects and Proposals
See the ACRDC web site (http://acrdc.gsu.edu) for information and links for writing proposals. The list below reflects only those projects that are active or are approved, but not yet started. There are many more in production.

University of Georgia:
"LEHD Infrastructure Project" by Ian Schmutte and others at Cornell U  
by Jack He, Tao Shu, Huan Yang  
Active
"Employee Risk Tolerance and Corporate Decisions"  
by Jack He, Tao Shu, Huan Yang  
Active
"Home Equity Lending and Small Business: Relaxing Constraints in Texas"  
by Ian Schmutte, William Lastrapes, and Chadi Abdallah (Miami University)  
Active
"Immigrant Entrepreneurship with a Focus on Latino Entrepreneurship"  
by Myriam Quispe-Agnoli, Anil Rupasingha (USDA), Craig Carpenter (Michigan State) and Scott Loveridge (Michigan State)  
Active

Georgia State University:  
"Determinants of Educational and Developmental Outcomes among Adopted and Non-adopted Children" by Regina Werum (Emory), Tomeka Davis (GSU), Irene Browne (Emory), and Simon Cheng (U of CT)  
Active
"Geospatial Factors and Impacts II"  
by Lee Mobley and Tzy-Mey Kuo (UNC-Chapel Hill)  
Active
"An Econometric Framework for Causal Analysis of Obesity Policy Alternatives"  
by Charles Courtemanche  
Approved
"Estimating Long-run Determinants of Social, Demographic, and Economic Characteristics" by Spencer Banzhaf, Melissa Banzhaf (Census), Martha Bailey (U of Michigan), and Janet Currie (Princeton)  
Approved
"Identifying Agglomeration Spillovers: New Evidence from Large Plant Openings"  
by Carlianne Patrick and Park Partridge (Ohio State U)  
Approved
"Do Big Box Grocers Improve Food Security?"  
by Charles Courtemanche  
Active

Emory University:  
"Food Allergen Labeling Mandates: Optimal Design of Risk Information Policies"  
by Maria Vyshmya Aslam  
Active
"The Contribution of Cardiovascular Risk Factors to Health Expectancies and Medicare Costs Among U.S. Adults"  
by Neil Mehta and David Frisvold (U of Iowa)  
Approved
"Business Cycles and the Behavior of Constrained and Unconstrained Firms"  
by Kaiji Chen, Zhao Li, and Tong Xu; and Patrick Higgins, and Tao Zha (Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta)  
Approved
Georgia Institute of Technology:
"Analyzing the Long-term Effectiveness of Business Assistance on Firm Productivity and Survival"
by Jan Youtie, Sanjay Arora; Cliff Lipscomb and Andy Krause (Greenfield Advisors)  
Active

"Organizations in the Digital Economy: Information Technology Use, Complementary Investments, and Their Impacts on Firm Outcomes"
by Chris Forman, Patricia Angle, Kristina McElheran (Harvard), Lynn Riggs (Baylor), Naomi Hausman (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Robert Bray (Northwestern), and Mercedes Delgado (Temple University)
Active

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:
"Assess the Effect of Indoor Tanning on Melanoma"
by Ying Zhou; Yang Liu and Dana Huang (Emory)  
Approved

University of Tennessee-Knoxville:
"Tuskegee & Disparities in Healthcare and Health Outcomes"
by Marianne Wanamaker and Marcella Alsan (Stanford)  
Approved

"Imputing Small Area Sample Weights for Public Use Microdata: Increasing the Geographic Scope of the PUMS" by Nicholas Nagle, Kevin Krivacsy, Ephraim Love, Barbara Buttenfield (U of CO), and Stefan Leyke (U of CO)
Active

"Contextual Effects of Community Characteristics on Health Care Behaviors among Older Foreign-born Individuals" by Sunha Choi
Active

Active

Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta:
"An Empirical Study of Entry and Exit with Multiple Firm Types" by Tim Dunne, Shawn Klimek (Census), Mark Roberts (Penn State), Yi Xu (Duke)
Active

"Research on Regional Economic Indicators and Current Business Dynamics" by,
Tim Dunne, Javier Miranda (Census), Emin Dinlersoz (Census), Kimberley Bayard (Fed Board of Governors), John Stevens (Fed Board of Governors)
Active

"The Role of Social Capital in Labor Markets, Migration, and Survey Response"
by Julie Hotchkiss; Anil Rupasingha (USDA); and Yanling Qi and Tom Qu (GSU)
Active

"Developing Historic Data on U.S. Manufacturing"
by Tim Dunne, Randy Becker (Census) and Cheryl Grim (Census)
Approved

Florida State University:
"Improving the Connection Between the Spatial and the Survey Sciences"
by David Folch, Nicholas Nagle (UT-Knoxville), and Seth Spielman (U of CO)
Active
Other:
"Disability Insurance and Employment Decisions"
by 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)

Some images to help you look forward to Spring

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