The Dallas-Fort Worth RDC Opens for Business
In October, 2018, the Dallas-Fort Worth Research Data Center became the 30th Federal Statistical Data Center to open its doors. In addition, the newest center becomes the 5th FSRDC located inside a Federal Reserve Bank. The Dallas Fed joins Atlanta, Chicago, Kansas City, and Philadelphia Federal Reserve Banks as homes for FSRDCs.

FSRDC Data Corner
- **2001 - 2017 UMETRICS Data Available**
  The UMETRICS data contains information on university researchers employed by grants, vendors paid using grant disbursements, and finally on the grants themselves. Including data from 25 universities, the data contain information on over 300,000 individual employees, 1,000,000 vendors, and 260,000 research grants. The data provide a unique opportunity for researchers to gauge the impact and objective benefits of science and educational funding. More information about the UMETRICS data can be found [here](http://atlantardc.org).

- **2015 Annual Survey of Entrepreneurs (ASE)**
  The 2015 Annual Survey of Entrepreneurs (ASE) data are now available for projects authorized to use the data in the FSRDCs. The ASE provides information on selected economic and demographic characteristics for businesses and business owners by gender, ethnicity, race, and veteran status. Included are all nonfarm businesses filing Internal Revenue Service tax forms as individual proprietorships, partnerships, or any type of corporation, and with receipts of $1,000 or more. More information about the ASE can be found [here](http://atlantardc.org).

Job Openings at Census
The U.S. Census Bureau is seeking employees with a wide range of skills to help carry out and then evaluate the results of the 2020 Decennial Census, and to serve in other critical positions.

Candidates must be U.S. citizens with backgrounds in demography, sociology, mathematics, statistics, or related fields. Experience with demographic analysis, population estimates and projections, survey research, and quantitative data analysis of large data sets is a plus.

Those interested in the Decennial Census and other positions should apply at USAJobs.gov. Several job postings are planned for entry-level and more advanced positions.

More information can be found here: [https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/514801300](https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/514801300)
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.

**Emory University:**
"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
"The Affordable Care Act and Health Care and Outcomes Among Cancer Patients and Survivors"
  Xuesong Han
  Jason Hockenberry and Peter Joski

**Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta:**
"Wage Rigidity and the Cross-Sectional Stock Returns"
  Bin Wei; Vivian Yue (Emory), Tom Qu (GSU)
"Business Cycles and the Behavior of Constrained and Unconstrained Firms"
  Patrick Higgins and Tao Zha; Kaiji Chen and Tong Xu (Emory)

**University of Georgia:**
"LEHD Infrastructure Project"
  Ian Schmutte and others at Cornell University
"Employee Risk Tolerance and Corporate Decisions"
  Jack He, Tao Shu, Xiao Ren; Lei Li (University of Kansas)
"Home Equity Lending and Small Business: Relaxing Constraints in Texas"
  Ian Schmutte, William Lastrapes, and Thor Watson
"Cyclical Changes in Patient Satisfaction and Prescription Drug Demand"
  Kimberly D. Groover, Meghan Skira, W. David Bradford, and Vincent Pohl
"Volunteering and Community Context"
  Rebecca Nesbit; Laurie Paarlberg (Indiana University)
"The Economic Geography and Dynamics of Businesses on Indian Reservations: The Role of Space, Demographics, and Tribal Institutions"
  Elton Mykerezi, Sebastian Anti (University of Minnesota), and Richard Todd (Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis)
Florida State University:
"A Polygon-Based Approach to Spatial Network Allocation: Optimal Facility Location Modeling and Network Analysis"
James Gaboardi and David Folch

University of Tennessee-Knoxville:
"Improving the Connection Between the Spatial and the Survey Sciences"
Nicholas Nagle; David Folch, James Gaboardi (FSU); Seth Spielman (U of CO), and Chris Fowler (Penn State)

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)
"Consequence of Earnings Nonresponse in CPS"
Barry Hirsch; Chris Bollinger, Charles Hokayem, Jim Ziliak (U of KY)
"Estimating Long-run Determinants of Social, Demographic, and Economic Characteristics"
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)
"Did the Great Recession ‘Great Recession of 2008-2009’ Modify the Health Status of US Adults?"
Jaesang Sung and Charles Courtemanche (U of KY)
"Impacts of the Affordable Care Act on Health Care Utilization"
James Marton; Pelin Ozluk (Deloitte) Benjamin Ukert (Univ. of PA), Charles Courtemanche (U of KY)
"The Effect of the Affordable Care Act on High-Risk Tobacco Users"
Michael Pesko
"Effect of Paid Sick Leave Laws on Labor and Health Outcomes"
Michael Pesko
"Do Supercenters Affect Diet Quality?"
Joseph Garuccio and Charles Courtemanche (U of KY)
"Industry Classification Validation for the Economic Census"
Dmitry Zhdanov; Ugochukwu Etudo (University of Connecticut); Sudip Bhattacharjee, John Cuffe and Emin Dinersloz (U.S. Census Bureau)
"Social Capital and Entrepreneurship"
Kalee Burns and Carlianne Patrick; Julie Hotchkiss (FRBA) and Anil Rupasingha (USDA ERS)
"The Impacts of Vaping Regulations on Perceptions, Access, Prices, and Tobacco Use"
Mike Pesko and Kukhee Han; Charles Courtemanche (U of KY), Catherine Maclean and Hamida Mabasshera (Temple University)
Georgia Institute of Technology:
"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)
"Searching, matching, and the transfer of information in international trade relationships"
Seung hoon Lee, Tongyang Yang; Jackie M. L. Chan (Chinese University of Hong Kong)

Other:
"Dynamic Effects of Wage Setting: Evidence from the National War Labor Board" Chris Vickers and Nicolas Ziebarth (Auburn University); Ethan Kaplan (University of Maryland)
"The Effect of Medical Marijuana Laws on Prescription Drugs"
Pelin Ozluk (Deloitte) and Charles Courtemanche (U of KY)
"The Effect of Regulating Meals and Gifts to Prescribers"
J. Dustin Tracy (Chapman University)
"The Impact of Universal Coverage on Healthcare Utilization"
Pelin Ozluk (Deloitte)

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