

ARDC Newsletter

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A report of activities of the Atlanta Research Data Center

FSRDCs Shut Down due to COVID-19 Pandemic

As of March 16, Census shut down all FSRDCs across the country in order to comply with various state and municipal stay-at-home orders and to protect staff and researchers from potential exposure to the virus. The ARDC will be closed at least until June 1; all researchers will be kept apprised of changes to accessibility of the lab.

Perfect Time to Work on those RDC Proposals!

Even during this time of closure, Melissa Banzhaf, the ARDC Administrator, is working and enthusiastically available to help with development of RDC proposals. Email her a brief description of what you have in mind (Melissa.R.Banzhaf@census.gov).

Useful Resources for Developing Proposals

➤ **ResearchDataGov - New Application Portal for Restricted Data**

In December 2019, the Federal Statistical Research Data Center (FSRDC) program, in partnership with the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), launched [ResearchDataGov](https://www.researchdatagov.gov/), a new Application Portal for Restricted Data for Federal Statistics. This portal provides a single point of entry for researchers wishing to use federal restricted-use microdata for statistical analysis purposes. Users are able to search for available microdata by dataset title, sponsoring agency, or by research topic. Each dataset description includes downloadable metadata about the survey sponsor, survey universe, years of data collection, and other survey information.

➤ **Don't Forget about ARDC Research Assistance**



Jacob (Thor) Watson, Ph.D. economics student at UGA, is serving as the ARDC research assistant during the summer. Thor is an applied microeconomist with a focus on economic growth and development. Until the ARDC opens, Thor can provide non-restricted research assistance, such as literature searches and exploring restricted data sources. Once the ARDC opens, he can assist on projects inside the lab.

New Data - Decennial Census Digitization and Linkage Project (DCDL)

The DCDL is an initiative to produce linked restricted microdata files from the decennial censuses of 1960 through 1990. Background, work plan, and data dissemination details can be found in this [working paper](#). The project will ultimately produce a longitudinal data infrastructure that covers most of the U.S. population since 1940.



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.

Auburn University:

"Dynamic Effects of Wage Setting: Evidence from the National War Labor Board" Chris Vickers and Nicolas Ziebarth, Ethan Kaplan (University of Maryland)

Emory University:

"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, Xu Ji, Xin Hu

"The Role of Behavioral Health Conditions in Healthcare Spending Growth 2000-2015 and Projections of Behavioral Health Related Spending"

Jason Hockenberry and Peter Joski

"Analyzing the Unequal Spread of Healthcare Innovations"

Allison Roberts and Ellen Idler

Vanderbilt University:

"Effects of State and Federal Insurance-Related Policies on Cancer Screenings."

Christopher (Kitt) Carpenter and Marianne Bitler (UC Davis)

"Educational and Socioeconomic Outcomes and Mobility"

Christopher Candelaria

"Expanding Health Insurance to Parents: Effects on Children's Health Care Use and Health"

Michelle Marcus, Xuan Zhang and Anna Aizer (Brown)

"Minimum Legal Drinking Age and Substance Use"

Christopher (Kitt) Carpenter and Carlos Dobkin (UC Santa Cruz)

"Effects of Taxes and Tobacco Policies on Smoking: New Evidence from 1965-1990"

Christopher (Kitt) Carpenter and Marianne Bitler (UC Davis)

Georgia Institute of Technology:

"Searching, matching, and the transfer of information in international trade relationships"

Seung hoon Lee and Tongyang Yang, Jackie M. L. Chan (Chinese University of Hong Kong)

University of Tennessee-Knoxville:

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

Nicholas Nagle, Seth Spielman (U of CO), David Folch (Northern Arizona), James Gaboardi and Chris Fowler (Penn State)

"Dynamic Export Capabilities and Export Venture Success"

Kelly Hewett, V. Kumar (Georgia State), Annette Tower (Clemson)



Tulane University:

- "Understanding the differences in health behaviors by education: an evidence for allocative efficiency"
Rujun Zhao
- "Firm Investment under Uncertainty: Evidence from Gubernatorial Elections"
Candace Jens and Morad Zekhnini, Elizabeth Berger (Cornell)

Georgia State University:

- "Estimating Long-run Determinants of Social, Demographic, and Economic Characteristics" Spencer Banzhaf, Melissa Banzhaf (Census), Martha Bailey (U of Michigan),
- "Identifying Agglomeration Spillovers: New Evidence from Large Plant Openings"
Carlianne Patrick and Mark Partridge (Ohio State U)
- "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, Catherine Maclean and Keisha Solomon (Temple University)
- "Effect of Paid Sick Leave Laws on Labor and Health Outcomes"
Michael Pesko
- "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, Serena Phillips, Charles Courtemanche (U of KY), Catherine Maclean and Hamida Mabasshera (Temple University)
- "The Impacts of Paid Sick Leave Mandates on BRFSS Outcomes"
Serena Phillips and Mike Pesko

University of Georgia:

- "LEHD Infrastructure Project"
Ian Schmutte and others at Cornell University
- "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 and Ryan Moss, Laurie Paarlberg (Indiana University)
- "Intended and Unintended Consequences of Prenatal Substance Use Policies"
Emily Lawler
- "Economic Burden of Cancer Survivorship Attributable to Physical Inactivity in the US and the State of Georgia, 2006-2016"
Zhuo Chen and Donglan Zhang, Xuesong Han (Emory University and American Cancer Society)



Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta:

“Finance and Firm Dynamics”

Veronika Penciakova, Sebnem Kalemli-Ozcan (Maryland), Emin Dinlersoz, Henry Hyatt and Sandy Dietrich (Census)

“Research on Regional Economic Indicators and Current Business Dynamics”

Veronika Penciakova, Tim Dunne (Notre Dame), Kimberly Bayard and John Stevens (Fed Board of Governors), Emin Dinlersoz and Javier Miranda (Census), John Dogan (Radford)

“The LBD Initiative - Collaboration with RDC Researchers”

Veronika Penciakova, Kristin McCue (Census), and others

“Migration Constraints and Job Opportunities”

Julie Hotchkiss, Kalee Burns (Georgia State)

Other:

"A Polygon-Based Approach to Spatial Network Allocation: Optimal Facility Location Modeling and Network Analysis"

James Gaboardi (Penn State) and David Folch (Northern Arizona)

"'Fixing' 1990-2010 Census Geography: Geocoding Restricted Data and Assessing Public Estimates"

James Gaboardi and Chris Fowler (Penn State), Jonathan Schroeder and David Van Riper (Minnesota)

“Racial Differences in 24-Hour Urinary Sodium, Potassium and Microalbuminuria: A Surrogate of Poor Cardiovascular Health Among US Adults”

Pankej Arora, Nirav Patel, and Garima Arora (Alabama-Birmingham)



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