

ARDC Newsletter

<http://atlantardc.org>

A report of activities of the Atlanta Research Data Center

CES Dissertation Mentorship Program

Doctoral students actively engaged in dissertation research using Census microdata at an RDC are eligible to apply for this mentorship program. Successful applicants will be assigned one or more CES staff economists as mentors who can provide advice for use of Census Bureau microdata. In addition, CES pays travel expenses to Census to meet in person with staff economists and to present their research in progress. Mentorships are awarded on a rolling basis, as funding and staffing resources allow.

To apply, email the following to Randy Becker (randy.a.becker@census.gov):

- CV containing contact information, faculty advisor, and expected dissertation completion date
- Title and abstract of RDC-based dissertation research, including a description of the microdata being used
- FSRDC project number covering this approved research.

Peruse Meta Data on More than 600 FSRDC Projects

An Excel spreadsheet containing metadata about active and completed projects, including project title, abstract, FSRDC location, principal investigator, year project started, researchers, and datasets requested in project proposals is available for download here:

<https://www.census.gov/about/adrm/fsrdc/about/ongoing-projects.html>.

Currently, information is only provided for projects that solely use Census Bureau datasets. Project information will be updated quarterly.



Taking the Pulse of Small Business during the COVID Pandemic

Small businesses have been hit hard by the COVID-19 pandemic. The 2020 Small Business Pulse Survey (SBPS) data files are now available for approved external projects that are authorized to use these data in the Research Data Centers. The SBPS provides weekly estimates for single location, small employer businesses (1-499 employees). The SBPS provides statistics on how the coronavirus pandemic is affecting small businesses overall as well as on operations, finances, challenges, and expectations.

More information can be found here: <https://www.census.gov/data/experimental-data-products/small-business-pulse-survey.html>

Or, contact the ARDC Census Administrator, [Melissa Banzhaf](#).



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.

Vanderbilt University:

- "Effects of State and Federal Insurance-Related Policies on Cancer Screenings."
Christopher (Kitt) Carpenter and Marianne Bitler (UC Davis)
- "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)
- "Immigration Policy and Health"
Michelle Marcus; Chloe East, Katherine Bleakley, Andrea Velasquez
- "Effects of State Tanning Regulations on Youth and Adults"
Christopher (Kitt) Carpenter, Michelle Marcus, Brandyn Churchill

University of Tennessee-Knoxville:

- "Dynamic Export Capabilities and Export Venture Success"
Kelly Hewett, V. Kumar (GSU), Annette Tower (Clemson), Katrijn Gielens (UNC-Chapel Hill)

Emory University:

- "The Affordable Care Act and Health Care and Outcomes Among Cancer Patients and Survivors"
Xuesong Han, Xu Ji, Xin Hu
- "Analyzing the Unequal Spread of Healthcare Innovations"
Allison Roberts and Ellen Idler

Auburn University:

- "Dynamic Effects of Wage Setting: Evidence from the National War Labor Board"
Chris Vickers and Nicolas Ziebarth, Ethan Kaplan (University of Maryland)
- "The Role of Mothers on Social Mobility of Sons and Assortative Mating in the United States"
Chris Vickers, Jose-Antonio Espin-Sanchez (Yale), Joseph Ferrie (Northwestern)

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)
- "Labor Market Implications of Credit Supply Shocks"
Manasa Gopal and Philipp Schnabl (NYU)

Georgia State University:

- "Identifying Agglomeration Spillovers: New Evidence from Large Plant Openings"
Carlianne Patrick and Mark Partridge (Ohio State U)
- "Effect of Paid Sick Leave Laws on Labor and Health Outcomes"
Michael Pesko
- "The Impacts of Vaping Regulations on Perceptions, Access, Prices, and Tobacco Use"
Mike Pesko, Serena Phillips, and Maxwell Chomas, 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, Ryan Moss and SuYoung Choi, Laurie Paarlberg (Indiana University), Mallory Compton (Texas A&M)
- "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)
- "An Empirical Study of Franchising"
 Peter Newberry and Charles Murry (Boston College)
- "Home Equity Lending and Small Business: Relaxing Credit Constraints in Texas"
 Ian Schmutte, William Lastrapes, Thor Watson

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, J. Thor Watson (UGA), and Kalee Burns (Census)
- "Social Capital and Entrepreneurship"
 Julie Hotchkiss, Kalee Burns (Census), Carlianne Patrick (GSU) and Anil Rupasingha (USDA ERS)



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