

“The predominant purpose of this study is to increase the utility of Title 13, Chapter 5 data of the Census Bureau by meeting the criteria listed below and as described.”

1. Evaluating concepts and practices underlying Census Bureau statistical data collection and dissemination practices, including consideration of continued relevance and appropriateness of past Census Bureau procedures to changing economic and social circumstances.
2. Analyzing demographic and social or economic processes that affect Census Bureau programs, especially those that evaluate or hold promise of improving the quality of products issued by the Census Bureau.
3. Developing means of increasing the utility of Census Bureau data for analyzing public programs, public policy, and/or demographic, economic, or social conditions.
4. Conducting or facilitating census and survey data collection, processing or dissemination, including through activities such as administrative support, information technology support, program oversight, or auditing under appropriate legal authority.
5. Understanding and/or improving the quality of data produced through a Title 13, Chapter 5 survey, census, or estimate.
6. Leading to new or improved methodology to collect, measure, or tabulate a Title 13, Chapter 5 survey, census, or estimate.
7. Enhancing the data collected in a Title 13, Chapter 5 survey or census. For example: improving imputations for non-response; developing links across time or entities for data gathered in censuses and surveys authorized by Title 13, Chapter 5.
8. Identifying the limitations of, or improving, the underlying Business Register, Master Address File, and industrial and geographical classification schemes used to collect the data.
9. Identifying shortcomings of current data, collection programs and/or documenting new data collection needs.
10. Constructing, verifying, or improving the sampling frame for a census or survey authorized under Title 13, Chapter 5.
11. Preparing estimates of population and characteristics of population as authorized under Title 13, Chapter 5.
12. Developing a methodology for estimating non-response to a census or survey authorized under Title 13, Chapter 5.
13. Developing statistical weights for a survey authorized under Title 13, Chapter 5.

|                    | DATABASE NAME  | TIME PERIODS AVAILABLE  | DESCRIPTION   | SPONSOR        |
|--------------------|--|---|---|----------------|
| DEMOGRAPHIC DATA   | American Community Survey  | 1993 - 2009   | Annual updates of the social, economic, and housing characteristics of the population.  | Census         |
|                    | American Housing Survey - Metropolitan Survey                    | 1999 - 2009   | Characteristics of housing units including type, housing and neighborhood quality, cost, and size.  | Census         |
|                    | American Housing Survey - National                               | 1992 - 2007   | Characteristics of housing units including type, housing and neighborhood quality, cost, and size.  | Census         |
|                    | CPS Annual Demographics Survey (March Supplement)                | 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992  | Work experience, sources of income, migration, household composition, health insurance coverage, and receipt of non-cash benefits.  | BLS            |
|                    | Decennial Census Long Form Data                                  | 1970, 1980, 1990, 2000  | Social, economic, and housing characteristics of the population.  | Census         |
|                    | National Longitudinal Survey                                     | 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992  | A set of surveys designed to gather information at multiple points in time on the labor market activities and other significant life events of several groups of men and women. Adds geographic information to the public use file.   | BLS            |
|                    | Survey of Income and Program Participation                       | 1977 - 2009   | Economic situation of households including source and amount of income, labor force information, program participation and eligibility, and general demographic characteristics.  | Census         |
|                    | SIPP-SSA Files (MBR, SSR, MEF and 831 Files)                     | 2002 - 2010   | SIPP-SSA matched files: Master Beneficiary Record, Supplemental Security Record, Master Earnings File, and 831 Disability Files.  | Census and SSA |
|                    | Survey of Program Dynamics                                       | 1982 - 2007   | Follows former SIPP respondents to measure the effects of welfare reform.   | Census         |
|                    | National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS)                       | 1972 - 2008   | Criminal victimization.   | BJS            |
| PUBLIC HEALTH DATA | Medical Expenditure Panel Survey - Insurance Component (MEPS-IC) | 1992 - 2002, 2008 - 2009  | Data on employer-provided health insurance.   | AHRQ           |
|                    | Medical Expenditure Panel Survey - Household Component (MEPS-HC) | 1974 - 2011   | Health conditions and status, medical services, charges and payments, access to care, insurance coverage.   | AHRQ           |
|                    | National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES)        | Periodic: 1971 - 74, 1976 - 80, 1988 - 94; Continuous beginning in 1999 | Health and nutritional status of adults and children, demographics, examinations, lab tests, and personal interviews.   | NCHS           |
|                    | National Health Interview Survey (NHIS)                          | 1969 - 2006   | Basic health and demographic, health conditions, health status, health care services, and behavior.   | NCHS           |
|                    | National Longitudinal Mortality Study (NLMS)                     | 1974 - 2005   | Race/ethnicity, marital status, education, income, employment status, occupation, industry, veteran status, household size, nativity/immigrant status, smoking (for certain cohorts), health status, and health insurance status. Linked to Medicare claims for the period 1991-2001. | Census and NCI |
|                    | National Survey of Family Growth (NSFG)                          | 1988, 1991, 1993  | Family life, marriage and divorce, pregnancy, infertility, use of contraception, and men's and women's health.  | NCHS           |

#### ORGANIZATIONS

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| BLS  | Bureau of Labor Statistics                 |
| SSA  | Social Security Administration             |
| BJS  | Bureau of Justice Statistics               |
| AHRQ | Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality |
| NCHS | National Center for Healthcare Statistics  |
| NCI  | National Cancer Institute                  |