

NHGIS

An Integrated Data Portal for ACS Summary Files and a Whole Lot More

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The MPC is one of the world's leading developers of demographic data resources. We provide population data to thousands of researchers, policymakers, teachers, and students. All MPC data are available free over the internet.

Integrated Public Use Microdata Series



IPUMS-International

Harmonized data for 1960 forward, covering 544 million people in 238 censuses from around the world.



IPUMS-USA

Harmonized data on people in the U.S. census and American Community Survey, from 1850 to the present.



IPUMS-CPS

Harmonized data on people in the Current Population Survey, every March from 1962 to the present.



North Atlantic Population Project

Complete-count data from 1800s censuses of Canada, Great Britain, Germany, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, and the U.S.

OTHER MPC Projects



National Historical Geographic Information System

Tabular U.S. census data and GIS boundary files from 1790 to the present.



Integrated Health Interview Series

Annual harmonized data on people in the U.S. National Health Interview Survey from the 1960s to the present.



American Time Use Survey-X

Annual harmonized data from 2003 forward on how U.S. adults divide their time among activities.



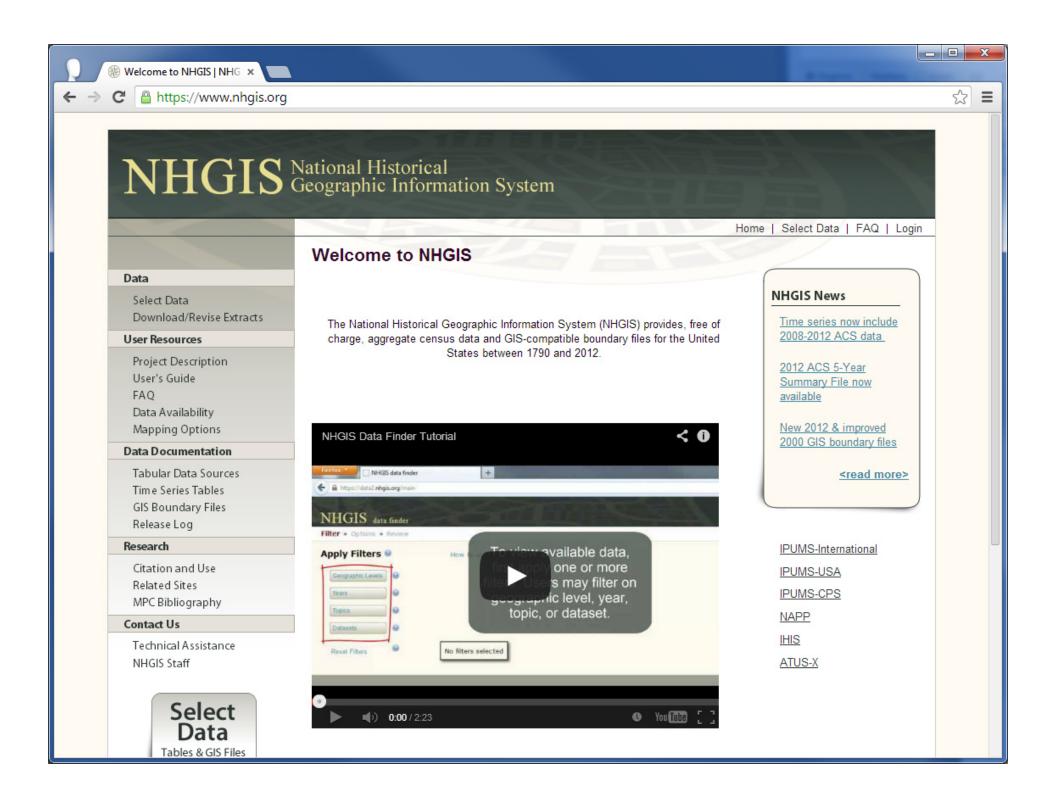
Integrated Demographic and **Health Series**

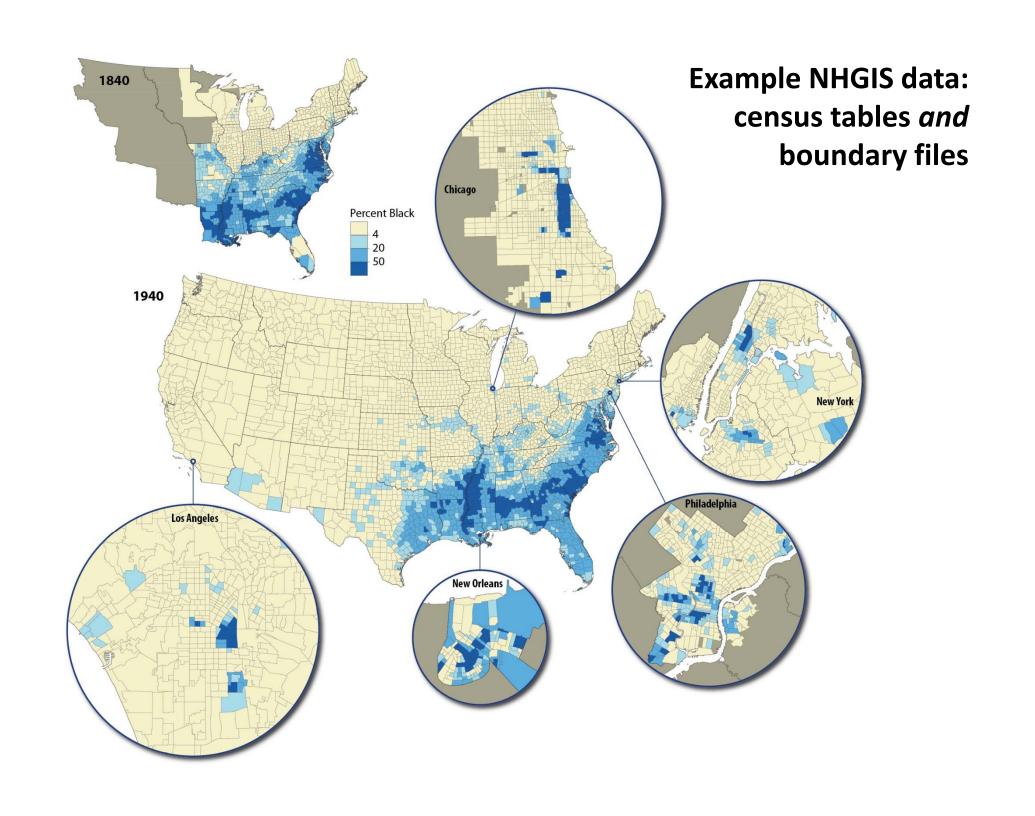
Demographic and Health Surveys integrated for analysis across time and space, 1980s forward.



Terra Populus

Integrated data on population and the environment, from 1960 to the present.





NHGIS project

- Funded by federal grants
 - National Science Foundation
 - Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development (NIH – NICHD)
- Milestones

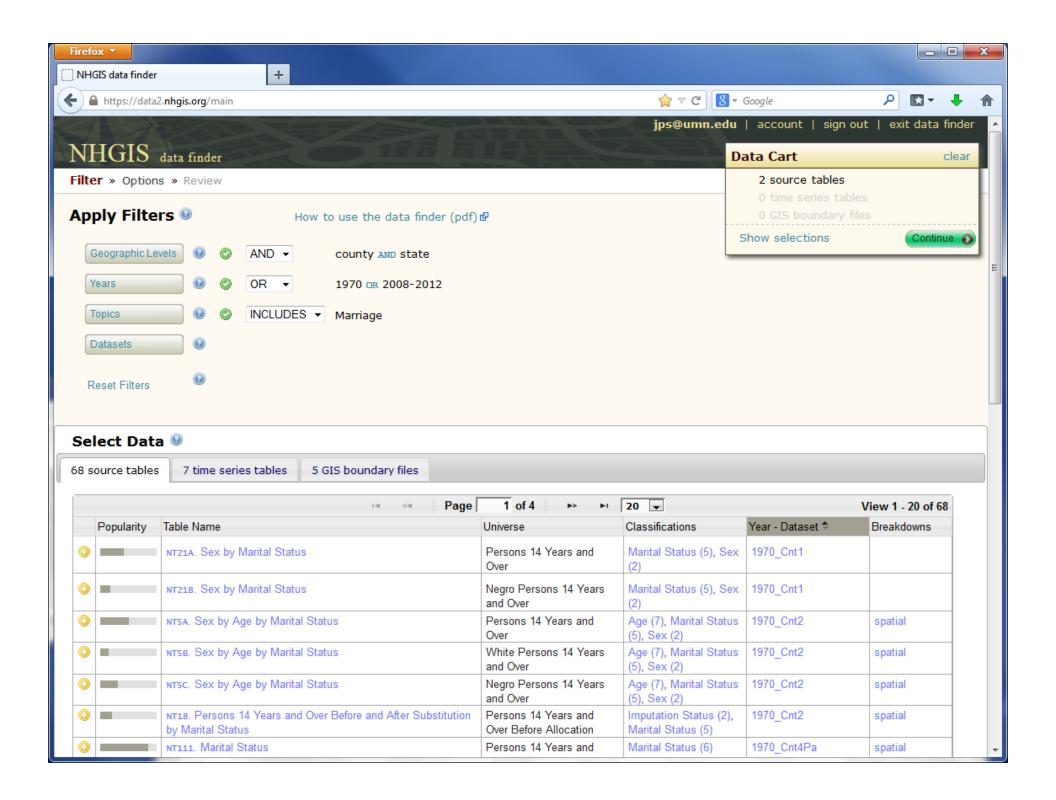
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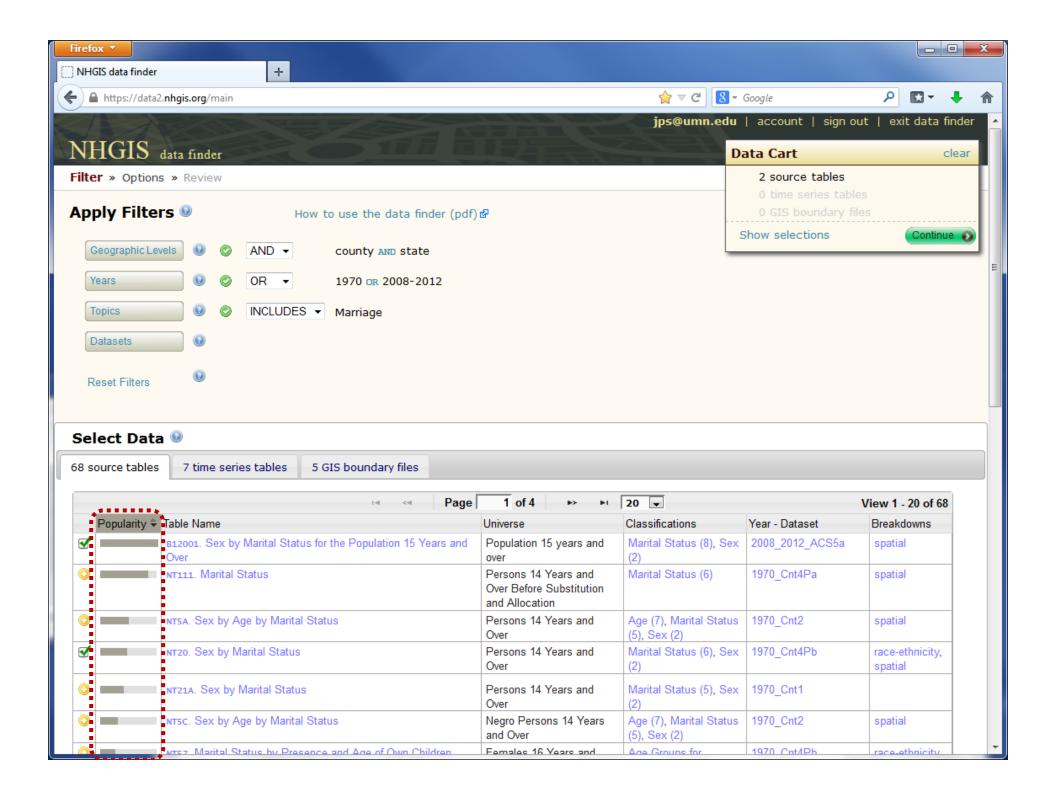
2006: Public site goes live

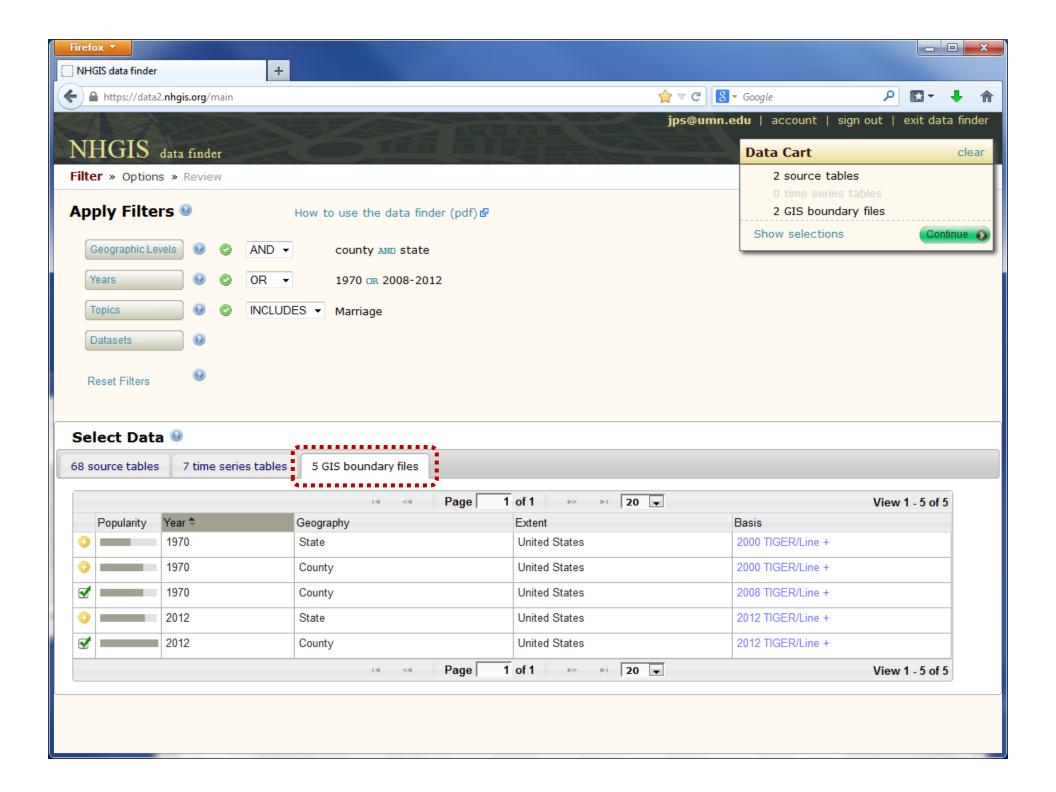
2011: Site redesigned

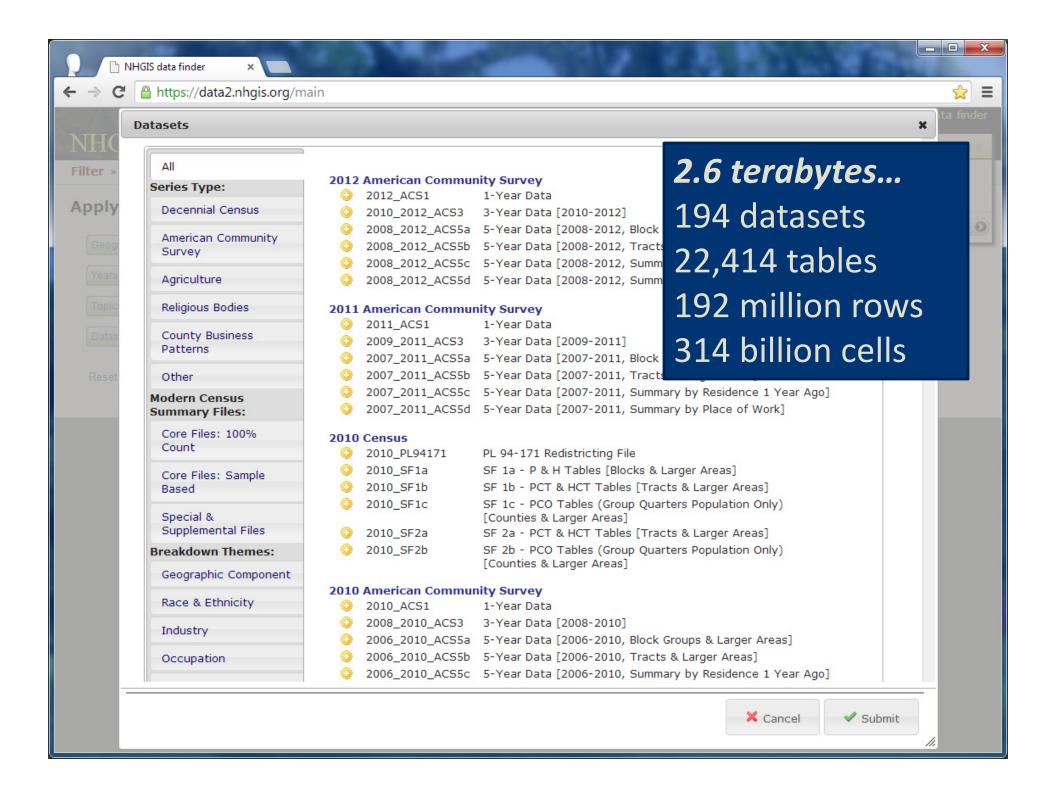
2012: ACS Summary Files added

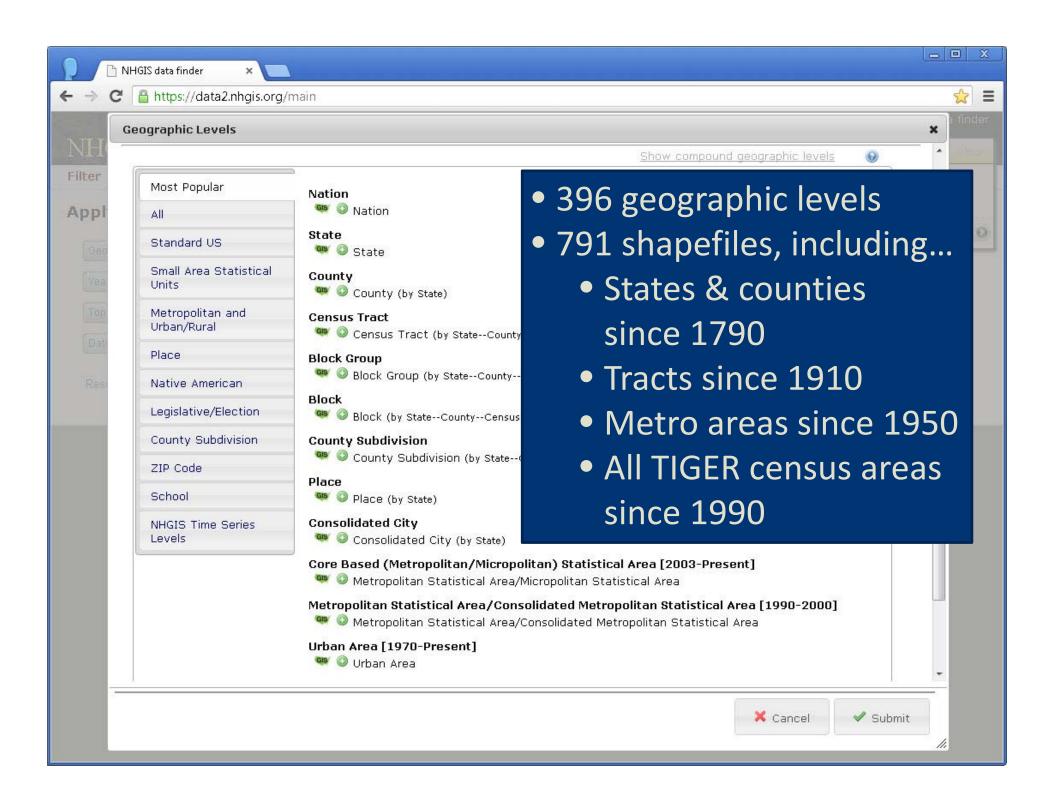


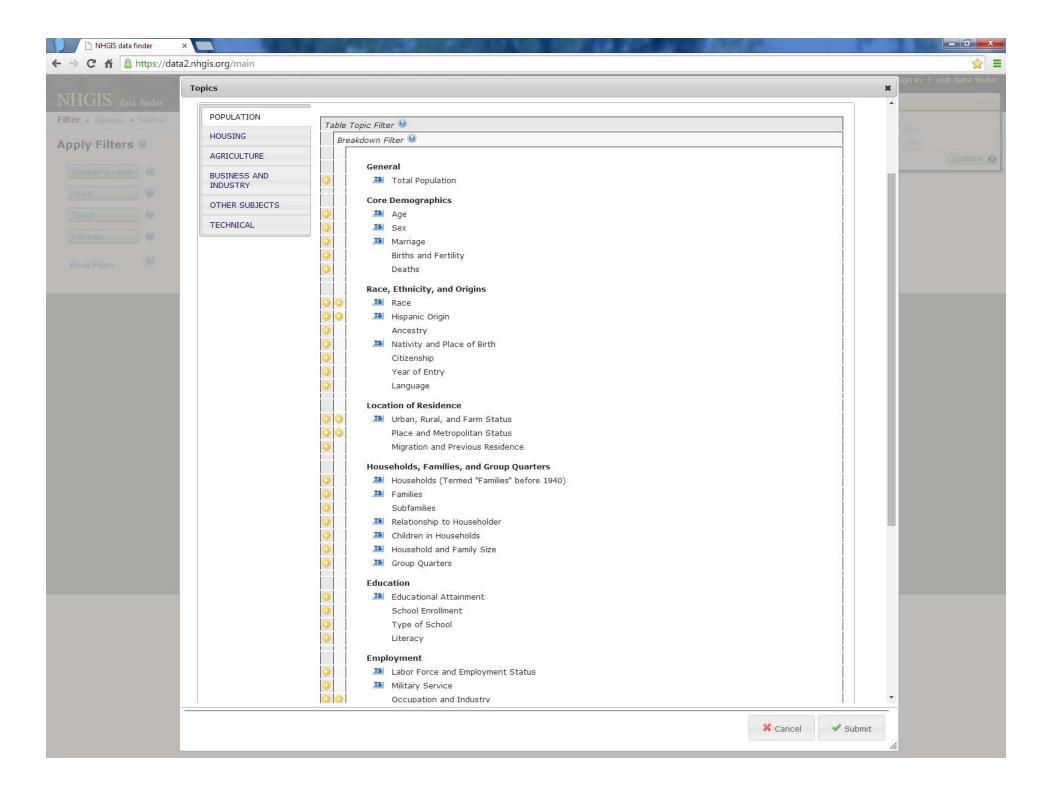


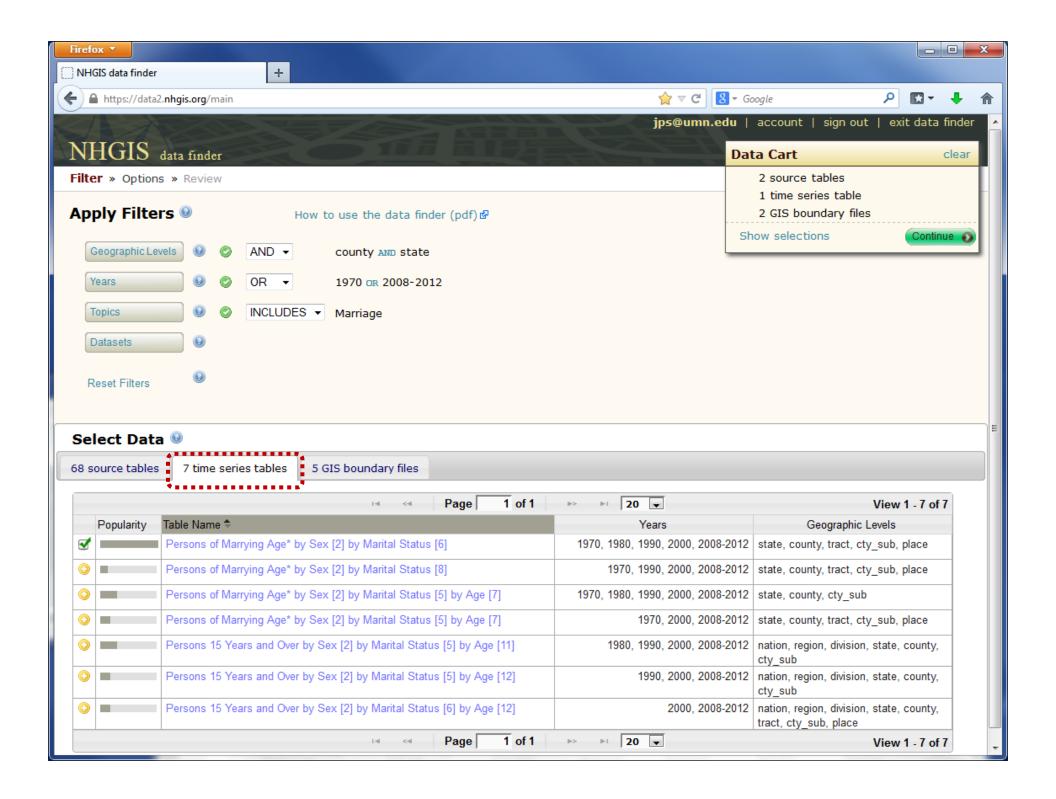


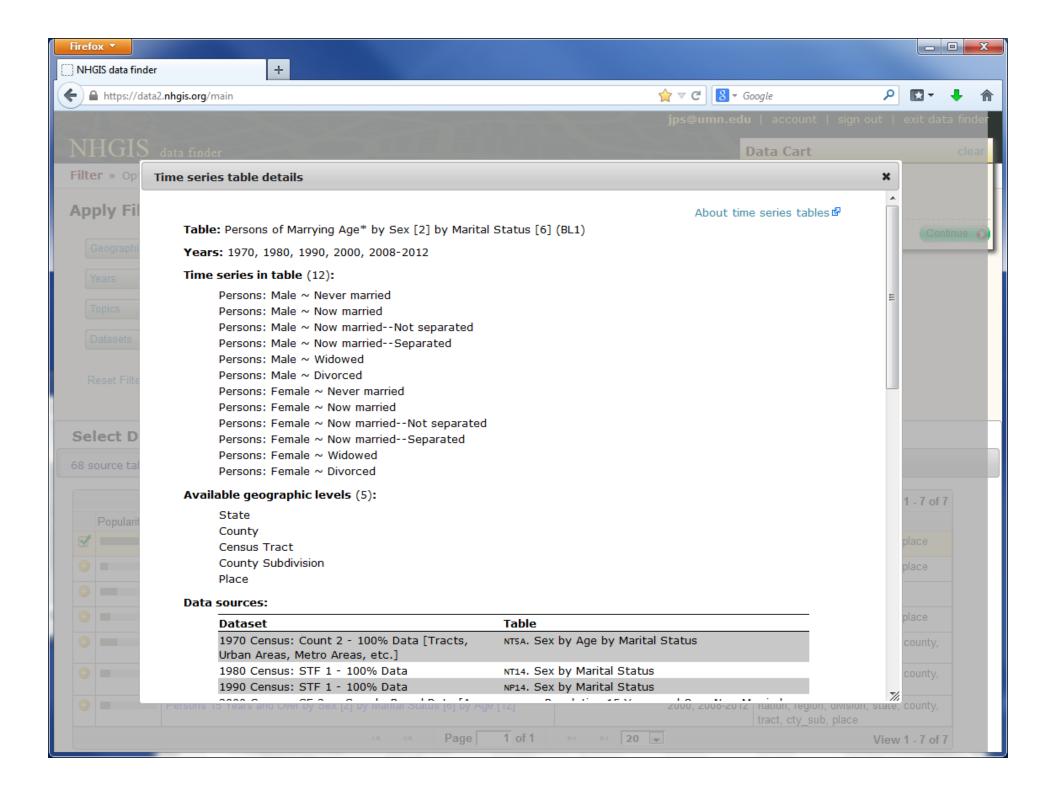


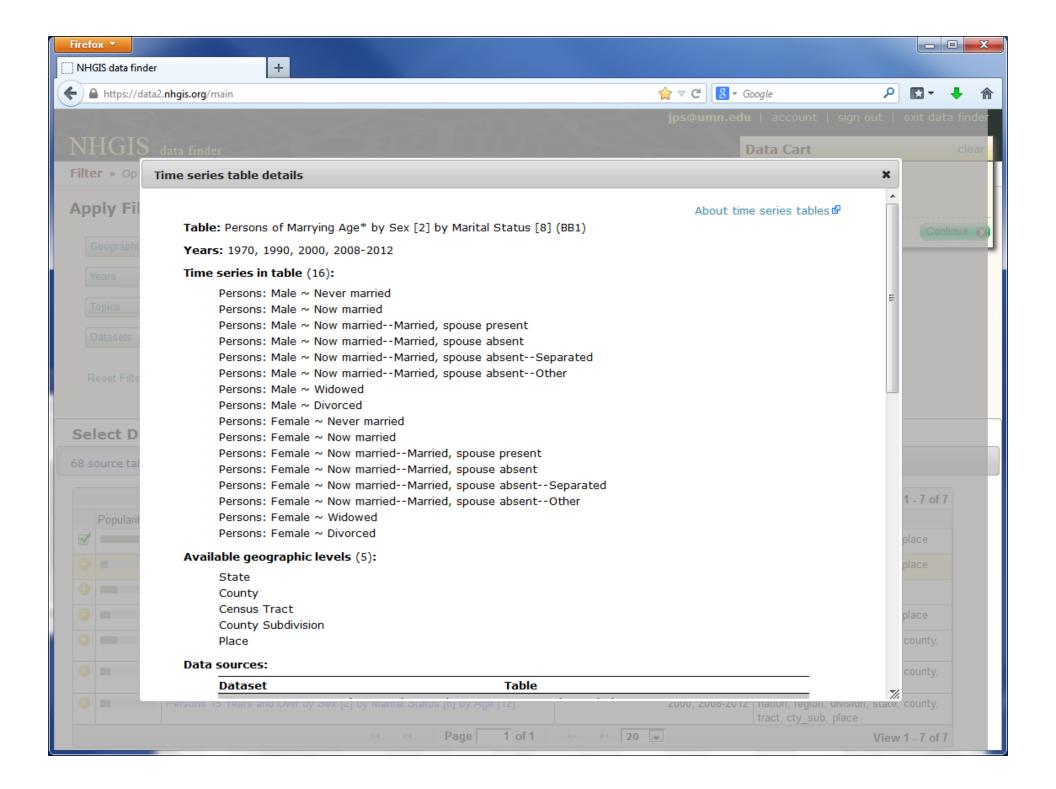


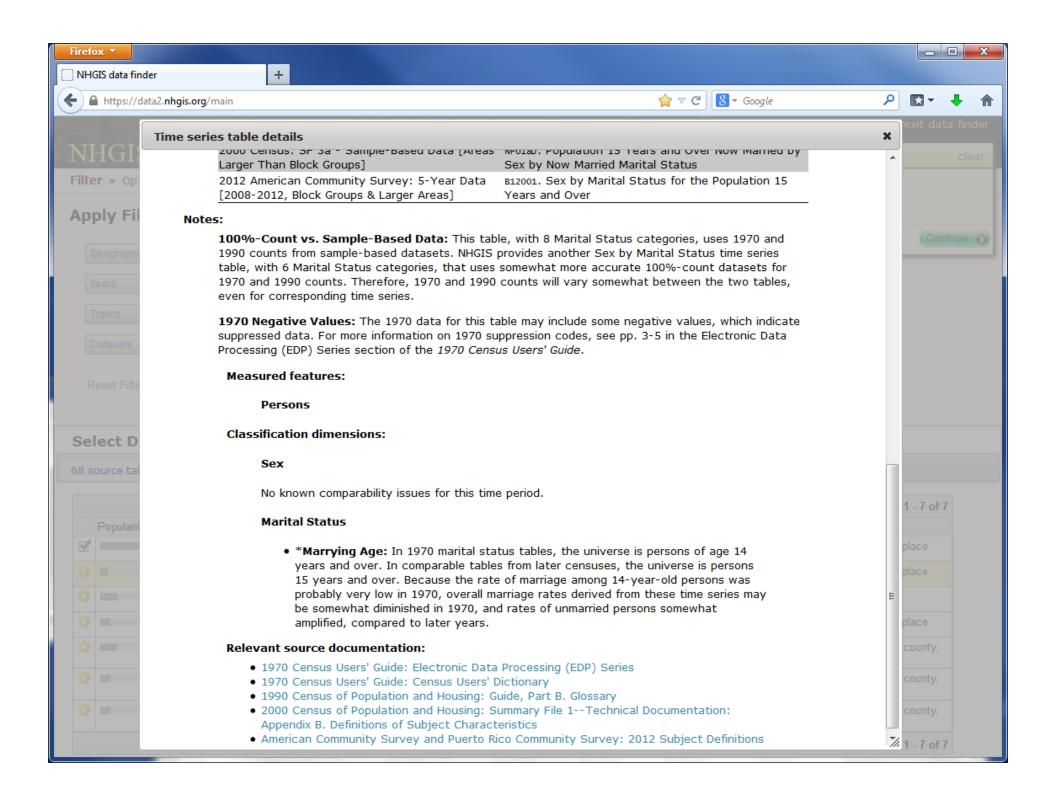


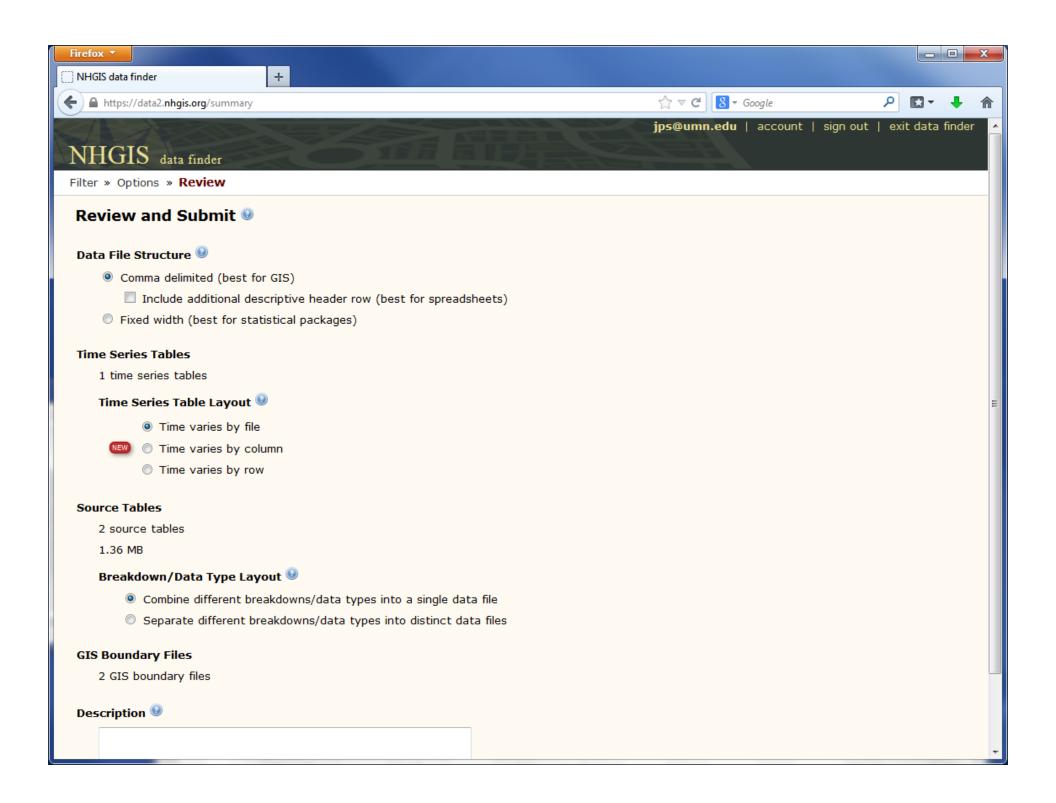


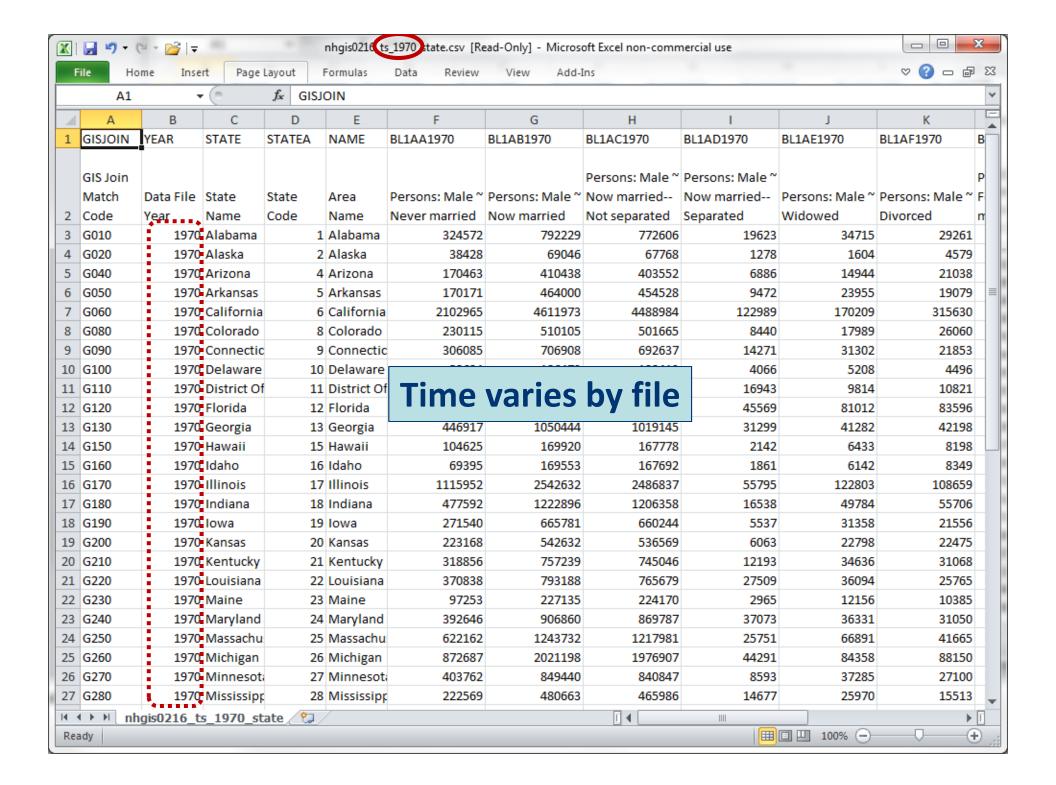


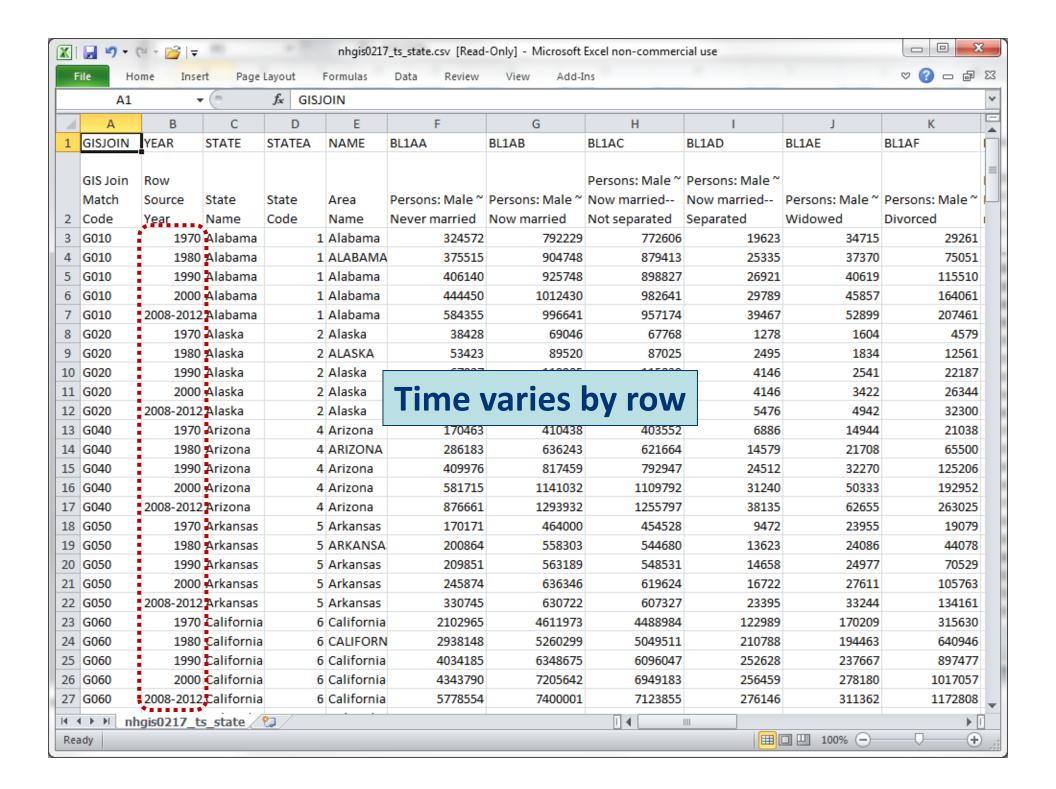


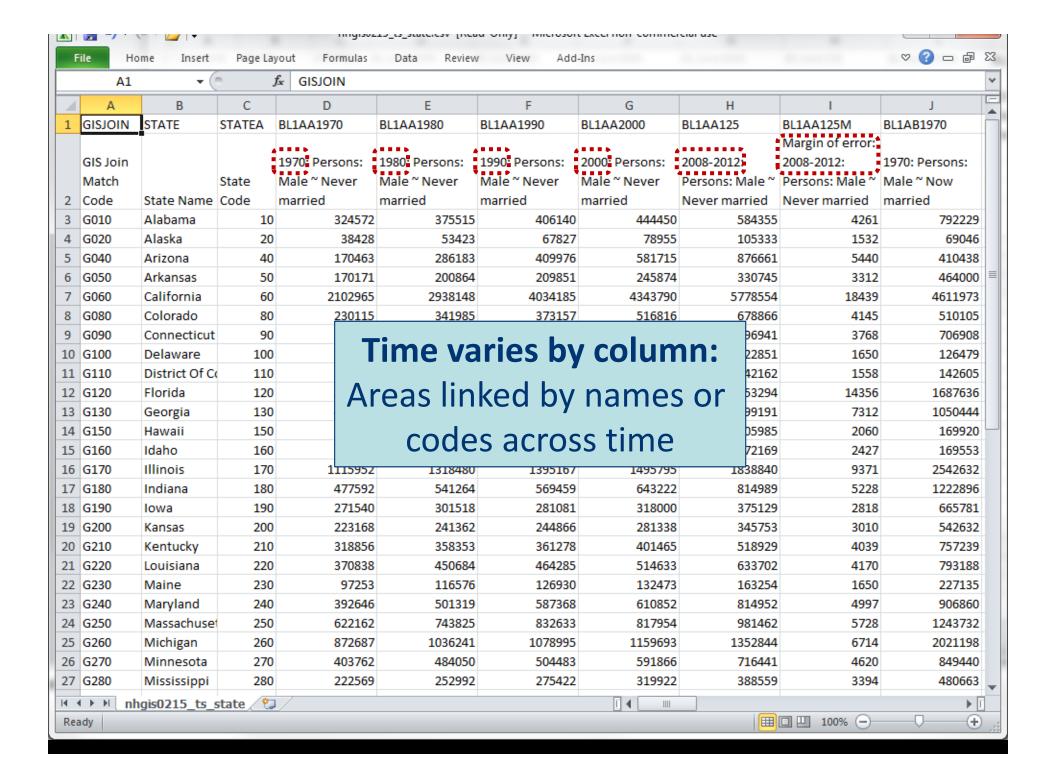












# Tables	Available time series tables Tabulation Type	# Tables	Tabulation Type
3	Total Persons (1790-2012)		Persons by Household Type by Relationship to
2	Persons by Urban/Rural Status	6	Householder
2	Persons by Sex (1820-2012)	_	Persons by Household Type by Relationship to
4	Persons by Age	5	Householder by Age
1	Median Age of Persons	7	Persons by Marital Status by Sex (by Age)
4	Persons by Sex by Age	1	Persons by Nativity
1	Median Age of Persons by Sex	13	Persons by Nativity by Place of Birth
10	Persons by Race	5	Persons by Labor Force, Employment and Armed
4	Persons by Race by Sex	J	Forces Status (by Age)
28	Persons by Race by Age	6	Persons by Labor Force, Employment and Armed
13	Persons by Race by Sex by Age		Forces Status by Sex (by Age)
4	Persons by Hispanic or Latino Origin	5	Persons by Educational Attainment
2	Persons by Hispanic or Latino Origin by Sex by Age	7	Persons by Educational Attainment by Sex (by Age)
4	Persons by Hispanic or Latino Origin by Race	4	Households by Income in Previous Year
6	Persons by Household, Family and Group Quarters Type	1	Median Household Income in Previous Year
		4	Families by Income in Previous Year
4	Persons by Household and Group Quarters Type by	1	Median Family Income in Previous Year
	Sex	1	Per Capita Income in Previous Year
7	Persons by Household and Group Quarters Type by	1	Total Housing Units
	Age Persons by Household and Group Quarters Type by	2	Persons by Housing Tenure
7	Sex by Age	2	Housing Units by Urban/Rural Status
1	Total Households		Occupied Housing Units (by Tenure) by Race of
1	Households by Household Type by Household Size	6	Householder
1	Total Families	6	Housing Units by Occupancy/Vacancy/Tenure
2	Families by Family Type by Presence and Age of Own Children	3	Occupied Housing Units (by Tenure) by Household Size

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Tables	Tabulation Type	Years: 1970 to 2010/2012 (mostly)		
3	Total Persons (1790-2012)			
2	Persons by Urban/Rural Status	Geographic levels:		
2	Persons by Sex (1820-2012)			
4	Persons by Age	Tracts, Places, County Subs,		
1	Median Age of Persons	Counties, States, Regions,		
4	Persons by Sex by Age	Counties, States, Regions,		
1	Median Age of Persons by Sex	Divisions, Nation		
10	Persons by Race			
4	Persons by Race by Sex	Forces Status (by Age)		
28	Persons by Race by Age	Released:		
13	Persons by Race by Sex by Age			
4	Persons by Hispanic or Latino Origin	197 time series tables		
2	Persons by Hispanic or Latino Origin by S	> 2 000 time carios		
4	Persons by Hispanic or Latino Origin by R	,		
6	Persons by Household, Family and Group Type	>27,000 links to source variables		
4	Persons by Household and Group Quarte	rs Type by		
	Sex	Prepared:		
7	Persons by Household and Group Quarte			
•	Age	795 time series tables		
7	Persons by Household and Group Quarte			
1	Sex by Age	>11,000 time series		
1	Total Households			
1	Total Families	>93,000 links to source variables		
1	Families by Family Type by Presence and	Age of Own Occupied Housing Units (by Tenure) by Household		
2	Children	Size		

ACS data in NHGIS

- 1-, 3-, and 5-Year Summary Files for 2010, 2011, 2012
 - Presently: 2009 5-year, too
 - Other older Summary Files are coming soon
- Future releases: within ~4 weeks of Census
- Includes geographic components
 - Urban/rural, metro/non, ...
- Long-term plan: add Selected Population
 Tables & AIAN Summary Files



ACS data in NHGIS

Features not available through FactFinder:

- Block group data
- Nationwide extents for all summary levels
 - Block groups also available by state
- Estimates & margins of error in combined or separate files
- Download either CSV or fixed width files
 ...with control files for stats packages



ACS data in NHGIS time series

- Currently:
 - 2008-2012 5-year ACS linked to 1970-2000 decennial data
 - Time series include ACS MOE's
- In future:
 - ACS-only time series?
 - 1-year, 3-year, 5-year?



Other key NHGIS features

- Tables and boundaries, historical and recent
- Integrated interface
 - Explore all years, levels & data types at once
 - Sort all by popularity
 - Download any combination at once
- 100% free!



Also in the works...

- Spatially standardized data
 - Estimates for fixed 2010 census areas
- Historical boundaries conflated to 2010 TIGER
- Points for historical places & county subs
- State-extent selection for all sub-state summary levels
- Faster extract system
- County and state-level vital statistics
- Complete Census of Agriculture data



Suggestions for the ACS

- Please release Summary File metadata tables in spreadsheets
 - Several are only in PDF Tech Docs
- Consider linking to redistributors on Census website
- Avoid identifying multi-year data by last year
 - High rate of "2010 5-year" data requests on NHGIS, along with decennial data, suggests many users view them as "2010 estimates"

