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Tuesday, May 14 – Program Overview		

7:30 am–5:00 pm	**Registration**	**Founder's Lobby**
8:30 am–10:00 am	**Plenary Session 1** ▪ Updates on the ACS and 2020 Census: Agility in Action	**Claudio Grossman Hall**
10:00 am–10:15 am	**Break**	
10:15 am–11:45 am	**Breakout Session 1** ▪ ACS Resources and Tools (Novice)	**Claudio Grossman Hall**
	Breakout Session 2 ▪ Using the ACS to Study Racial, Ethnic, and Geographic Variations in Health (Intermediate/Advanced)	**Ceremonial Classroom**
11:45 am–1:00 pm	**Lunch on Your Own / Informal Meetups**	**Claudio Grossman Hall**
1:00 pm–2:30 pm	**Breakout Session 3** ▪ ACS Data for Rural and Tribal Communities (Novice/Intermediate)	**Claudio Grossman Hall**
	Breakout Session 4 ▪ Combining ACS With Other Survey or Administrative Data (Intermediate/Advanced)	**Ceremonial Classroom**
2:30 pm–2:45 pm	**Break**	
2:45 pm–4:10 pm	**Breakout Session 5** ▪ Developing Estimates and Projections Using ACS Data (Intermediate/Advanced)	**Claudio Grossman Hall**
	Breakout Session 6 ▪ Using the ACS to Analyze Poverty and Income (Novice/Intermediate)	**Ceremonial Classroom**
4:15 pm–5:00 pm	**Breakout Session 7a** ▪ Using ACS Data to Measure Disparities in Internet Access (Intermediate/Advanced)	**Claudio Grossman Hall**
	Breakout Session 7b ▪ Using ACS Data in the Classroom (Novice/Intermediate)	**Ceremonial Classroom**

Wednesday, May 15 – Program Overview

7:30 am–12:00 pm	**Registration**	**Founder's Lobby**
8:30 am–9:45 am	**Plenary Session 2 ▪** Dissemination of ACS Data: Looking Ahead	**Claudio Grossman Hall**
9:45 am–10:00 am	**Break**	
10:00 am–11:30 am	**Breakout Session 8 ▪** Measuring ACS Data Quality (Novice/Intermediate)	**Claudio Grossman Hall**
	Breakout Session 9 ▪ Innovative Uses of the ACS for Housing Analyses (Advanced)	**Ceremonial Classroom**
11:30 am–12:45 pm	**Lunch on Your Own / Census Bureau Product Demonstrations and Topical Roundtables**	**Claudio Grossman Hall**
12:45 pm–2:15 pm	**Breakout Session 10 ▪** Lightning Session (Novice/Intermediate)	**Claudio Grossman Hall**
	Breakout Session 11 ▪ Advanced Tools Using ACS Data (Intermediate/Advanced)	**Ceremonial Classroom**
2:15 pm–2:30 pm	**Break**	
2:30 pm–4:00 pm	**Breakout Session 12 ▪** Aggregating ACS Data for User-Defined Areas (Intermediate/Advanced)	**Claudio Grossman Hall**
	Breakout Session 13 ▪ Innovative Health Applications with ACS Data (Novice/Intermediate)	**Ceremonial Classroom**
4:00 pm	**Conference ends**	

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Tuesday, May 14, 2019

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Updates on the ACS and 2020 Census: Agility in Action

Moderator: Linda A. Jacobsen, *PRB*

1. **Steven Dillingham**, Director, *U.S. Census Bureau*

2. **James B. Treat**, Assistant Director for Decennial Census Programs, *U.S. Census Bureau*

3. **Jennifer M. Ortman**, Assistant Division Chief for Survey Methods and Measures in the American Community Survey Office, *U.S. Census Bureau*

10:00 am–10:15 am	Break	

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ACS Resources and Tools (Novice)

Moderator: Emilia Istrate, *George Washington Institute of Public Policy*

1. Data.Census.Gov Demo – Preview the New Dissemination Platform in Development ▪ **Tyson Weister**, *U.S. Census Bureau*

2. Still Special After All These Years: The Census Transportation Planning Products Program ▪ **Penelope Weinberger**, *AASHTO*

3. Implementing the 2018 Standard Occupational Classification System into the American Community Survey ▪ **Lynda Laughlin**, **Julia Beckhusen**, **Ana Montalvo**, and **Rochelle Cooper**, *U.S. Census Bureau*

4. An Overview of the State Data Center Network and Updates on New ACS Resources Offered by the Census Bureau's Premier Local Partners ▪ **Gregg Bell**, *Institute for Rural Health Research, The University of Alabama*

5. The Role of the ACS in the Distribution of Federal Funding ▪ **Andrew Reamer**, *George Washington University*

10:15 am–11:45 am   **Breakout Session 2**   **Ceremonial Classroom**

Using the ACS to Study Racial, Ethnic, and Geographic Variations in Health (Intermediate/Advanced)

Moderator: Shawn J. Bucholtz, *U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development*

1. AskCHIS Neighborhood Edition (NE)©: Using ACS Data to Construct and Visualize Small Area Estimates for the California Health Interview Survey ▪ **Todd Hughes**, *UCLA Center for Health Policy Research*

2. Exploring Social Determinants of Health by Race and Ethnicity in Medicare Using ACS-CMS Linked Data ▪ **Shondelle Wilson-Frederick**, *Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services;* and **Sharon R. Ennis**, *Department of Veterans Affairs*

3. How HRSA is Leveraging ACS and CDC Data for Small Area Estimates and Geographic Visualizations of Substance Use Outcomes ▪ **Mark Carrozza**, **Anuradha Jetty**, **Jennifer Rankin**, and **Jene Grandmont**, *American Academy of Family Physicians*

11:45 am–1:00 pm   **Lunch on Your Own /**   **Claudio Grossman Hall**
                              Informal Meetups

1:00 pm–2:30 pm   **Breakout Session 3**   **Claudio Grossman Hall**

ACS Data for Rural and Tribal Communities (Novice/Intermediate)

Moderator: Lance George, *Housing Assistance Council*

1. Using Administrative Data to Improve ACS Small Area Estimates: Experimental Synthetic Data for Rural Alaska Communities ▪ **Matthew Berman** and **Lance Howe**, *University of Alaska Anchorage*

2. Across the Rural-Urban Universe: Two Continuous Indices of Settlement Patterns for ACS Microdata ▪ **Jonathan Schroeder**, **Jose Pacas**, and **David Van Riper,** *University of Minnesota*

3. What is Tribal Citizenship? Using the American Community Survey to Describe Tribal Identity ▪ **Evelyn Immonen**, *Housing Assistance Council*

4. Breaking Ground with a Tribal Community Survey: Building on an ACS Foundation ▪ **Celia Stall-Meadows** and **Leah Shearer**, *Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma*

1:00 pm–2:30 pm   **Breakout Session 4**   **Ceremonial Classroom**

Combining ACS With Other Survey or Administrative Data (Intermediate/Advanced)

Moderator: Stanislav (Stas) Kolenikov, *Abt Associates*

1. Opioids and the Labor Market ▪ **Mark Schweitzer**, **Dionissi Alliprantis**, and **Kyle Fee**, *Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland*

2. Human Capital Outflows: Selection into Migration from the Northern Triangle ▪ **Giselle Del Carmen**, *Interamerican Development Bank;* and **Liliana Sousa**, *World Bank*

3. The Child Opportunity Index 2.0 ▪ **Clemens Noelke**, **Dolores Acevedo-Garcia**, **Erin Hardy**, **Nick Huntington**, and **Nancy McArdle**, *Brandeis University*

4. Using Citizenship from the ACS to Adhere to the Voting Rights Act for Districting and Redistricting: A Report from the Field ▪ **Andrew Beveridge**, *Queens College and Graduate Center CUNY*

2:30 pm–2:45 pm   **Break**

2:45 pm–4:10 pm   **Breakout Session 5**   **Claudio Grossman Hall**

Developing Estimates and Projections Using ACS Data (Intermediate/Advanced)

Moderator: Joseph J. Salvo, *New York City Department of City Planning*

1. Estimating Local Area Population by Housing Unit Method and ACS Data ▪ **Joe Francis**, *Cornell University*

2. On the Use of the ACS to Estimate County Migration Flows by Age ▪ **Jan Vink**, *Cornell University*

3. A Look to the Future: Demographic Projection Using ACS and Other Data for Fairfax County, Virginia ▪ **Xuemei Han** and **Fatima Khaja**, *Fairfax County, Virginia*

4. Estimating Intercensal Household Size in New York City's Neighborhoods ▪ **Annette Jacoby** and **Joseph Salvo**, *Population Division at the New York City Department of City Planning*

2:45 pm–4:10 pm   Breakout Session 6   Ceremonial Classroom

Using the ACS to Analyze Poverty and Income (Novice/Intermediate)

Moderator: Emilia Istrate, *George Washington Institute of Public Policy*

1. Helping States Designate and Explore Opportunity Zones Using ACS Data ▪ **Erika Rivera**, *Enterprise Community Partners, Inc.*

2. Using the ACS to Track the Changing Geography of Poverty Over Time: Insights from the Initiative for a Competitive Inner City (ICIC) ▪ **Devon Yee**, *Initiative for a Competitive Inner City*

3. Using ACS Microdata to Compute Shelter Poverty ▪ **Bryan Grady**, *South Carolina State Housing Finance and Development Authority*

4:15 pm–5:00 pm   Breakout Session 7a   Claudio Grossman Hall

Using ACS Data to Measure Disparities in Internet Access (Intermediate/Advanced)

Moderator: Jason R. Jurjevich, *Portland State University*

1. Online Behavioral Health Screening and Internet Access ▪ **Kathleen Fox** and **Kelly Boettcher**, *Philadelphia Department of Behavioral Health*

2. Using the ACS's New 5-Year Estimates for Internet Subscriptions to Better Understand the Lack of Broadband Infrastructure in Rural America ▪ **Austin Moser**, *Housing Assistance Council*

4:15 pm–5:00 pm   Breakout Session 7b   Ceremonial Classroom

Using ACS Data in the Classroom (Novice/Intermediate)

Moderator: Katherine Nesse, *Seattle Pacific University*

1. Preparing Tomorrow's ACS Users: Teaching Undergraduate Students About Social Inequality Using the American Community Survey ▪ **Melissa Barfield**, *McKendree University*

2. Using the American Community Survey in Undergraduate Courses ▪ **William H. Frey**, *University of Michigan and Brookings Institution*

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Dissemination of ACS Data: Looking Ahead

Moderator: Mark Mather, *PRB*

1. Innovating Data Privacy for the American Community Survey ▪ **Rolando A. Rodríguez**, Research Mathematical Statistician, *U.S. Census Bureau*

2. Vision and Future Plans for the Census Bureau's Data Dissemination Platform ▪ **Zach Whitman**, Chief Data Officer, *U.S. Census Bureau*

3. Discussant ▪ **Constance F. Citro**, Senior Scholar, Committee on National Statistics, *The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine*

9:45 am–10:00 am   **Break**

10:00 am–11:30 am   **Breakout Session 8**   **Claudio Grossman Hall**

Measuring ACS Data Quality (Novice/Intermediate)

Moderator: Joseph J. Salvo, *New York City Department of City Planning*

1. How Accurate Are ACS Tract and Block Group Totals? ▪ **Matt Schroeder**, *Metropolitan Council–Twin Cities*

2. Comparing Administrative Data to ACS Estimates of Income and Wealth ▪ **Katherine Nesse**, *Seattle Paci ic University*

3. What Can the Current ACS Data Tables Tell Us About Housing and Migration? ▪ **Jeff Hardcastle**, *Nevada Department of Taxation*

4. Evaluating the Reliability of ACS Data for Transportation Planning ▪ **Addison Larson**, *Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission*

10:00 am–11:30 am   Breakout Session 9   Ceremonial Classroom

Innovative Uses of the ACS for Housing Analyses (Advanced)

Moderator: Lance George, *Housing Assistance Council*

1. Using ACS Data to Profile Today's Homebuyers and Sellers ▪ **Nadia Evangelou**, *National Association of Realtors*

2. Identifying HUD-Assisted Housing Units Within the American Community Survey: An Overview of the Process and Use ▪ **Emily Molfino**, *U.S. Census Bureau;* and **Shawn Bucholtz**, *U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development*

3. Insights from a New Merge of FHA Single Family Data and the ACS ▪ **Daniel Marcin**, *U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development*

4. Where Families with Children Use Housing Vouchers: A Comparative Look at the 50 Largest Metropolitan Areas ▪ **Alicia Mazzara**, *Center on Budget and Policy Priorities;* and **Brian Knudsen**, *Poverty and Race Research Action Council*

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Lightning Session (Novice/Intermediate)

Moderator: Katherine Nesse, *Seattle Pacific University*

1. The City Health Dashboard: An Innovative Online Resource for Population Health Improvement ▪ **Miriam Gofine**, **Shoshanna Levine**, and **Marc Gourevitch**, *NYU School of Medicine*

2. Social Determinants, an Integral Part of Public Health Reporting ▪ **Justin Crow** and **Kira Walker**, *Virginia Department of Health, Office of Health Equity*

3. ACS Interactive Mapping Interface - Data That's Easy to Use ▪ **Michelle Riordan-Nold** and **Ilya Ilyankou**, *Connecticut Data Collaborative*

4. Calculating Medians for Combined Geographies ▪ **Matt Schroeder**, *Metropolitan Council–Twin Cities*

5. Neighborhood Data for Social Change ▪ **Elly Schoen**, *USC Price Center for Social Innovation*

6. Producing Neighborhood Statistics with ACS Blockgroup Data ▪ **Cliff Cook**, *City of Cambridge, Massachusetts*

7. 360 View at Ever-Changing Rental Landscape in the U.S. ▪ **Liang Tian**, *CoreLogic*

8. Using ACS Data for Accountability in Utility Policy and Planning ▪ **Heather Pohnan**, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy

12:45 pm–2:15 pm   Breakout Session 11   Ceremonial Classroom

Advanced Tools Using ACS Data (Intermediate/Advanced)

Moderator: Jason R. Jurjevich, *Portland State University*

1. Integrating ACS Data into a Population Health Profiler to Improve Clinical Practice ▪
    Mark Carrozza, **Anuradha Jetty**, **Jené Grandmont**, **Dave Grolling**, **Jessica McCann**, **Jennifer Rankin**, and **Michael Topmiller**, *American Academy of Family Physicians*

2. Time Series of ACS Data: A New Resource from IPUMS NHGIS ▪ **Jonathan Schroeder**, *IPUMS, University of Minnesota*

3. Spark for Social Science: Efficiently Combining ACS Data with Big Data Sources ▪
    Graham MacDonald, **Kyle Ueyama**, and **Jeffrey Levy**, *Urban Institute;* **Alex Engler** and **Sarah Armstrong**, *University of Chicago*

4. Using ACS Data to Create Data Visualizations ▪ **R. Chase Sawyer**, *U.S. Census Bureau*

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Aggregating ACS Data for User-Defined Areas (Intermediate/Advanced)

Moderator: Shawn J. Bucholtz, *U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development*

1. Using ACS Census Tract and New York City Affordable Housing Data to Explore Relationship Between Affordable Housing Income Limits and Neighborhood Incomes ▪ **Sarah Stefanski**, *New York City Independent Budget Office*

2. SuperTracts for Portland, Oregon ▪ **Richard Lycan**, *Portland State University*

3. Build Your Own ACS Data Profile: Improving the Accessibility and Customization of the American Community Survey Data for Minnesota Communities ▪ **Ellen Wolter**, *Wilder Research*

4. The National Equity Research Database (NERD) ▪ **Clemens Noelke**, **Dolores Acevedo-Garcia**, and **Nick Huntington**, *Brandeis University*

2:30 pm–4:00 pm   Breakout Session 13   Ceremonial Classroom

Innovative Health Applications with ACS Data (Novice/Intermediate)

Moderator: Stanislav (Stas) Kolenikov, *Abt Associates*

1. Integrating ACS Data with Electronic Health Records: Using Community Vital Signs to Investigate Health-Related Outcomes in Vulnerable Populations ▪ **Sophia Giebultowicz**, **Jon Puro**, and **Stuart Cowburn**, *OCHIN;* **John Heintzman**, **Miguel Marino**, **Jorge Kaufmann**, **David Ezekiel-Hererra**, and **Katie Fankhouser**, *Oregon Health and Sciences University*

2. A Framework for Evaluating Potential Differences in Health Outcome Rates Generated from Multiple Population Sources ▪ **Samantha Lindsey-Wotiz**, *Carter Consulting, Inc*; and **Heather Strosnider**, *Centers for Disease Control*

3. The Art of Listening: Working with an Advisory Committee to Improve Outreach and Communication to Reach the Remaining Uninsured in Minnesota ▪ **Brett Fried**, **Kathleen Call**, **Elizabeth Lukanen**, **Karen Turner**, and **Cynthia Pando**, *University of Minnesota*

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Steven Dillingham
Director, U.S. Census Bureau

Dr. Steven Dillingham was sworn in as the 25th Census Bureau Director on January 7, 2019.

Dillingham has more than 25 years of statistical, research, senior management, and legal experience in the federal government. Dillingham previously served as Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics and the Bureau of Transportation Statistics. Both of these agencies support national surveys in partnership with the Census Bureau.

Before joining the Census Bureau, Dillingham served as Director of the Peace Corps Office of Strategic Information, Research, and Planning. Other federal service includes directing research and planning for the Department of Justice Trustee Program, and directing surveys for the Office of Personnel Management. He was a career member of the Federal Senior Executive Service.

In addition, Dillingham was the Deputy Director for the National District Attorneys Association and Administrator of the American Prosecutors Research Institute. Dillingham has served on the faculties of the University of South Carolina and George Mason University. He is a Senior Certified Professional with the Society for Human Resource Management.

Dillingham earned his B.A. at Winthrop University, received his J.D., M.P.A., and Ph.D. from the University of South Carolina, and completed his M.B.A. at George Washington University and LL.M. at Georgetown University.

James B. Treat
Assistant Director for Decennial Census Programs,
U.S. Census Bureau

James Treat has spent most of his 32-year career at the Census Bureau working on decennial censuses. He is currently serving as the Assistant Director for Decennial Census Programs and is responsible for the program management and operational management over the 2020 Decennial Census and the American Community Survey.

He started at the Census Bureau working on 1990 Census operations designed to improve the coverage in the census. After the 1990 Census, he was involved in research to improve self-response in censuses and surveys. In the 2000 Census, he oversaw the development of the statistical requirements for the address list development and the field data collection operations. In 2002, he became the Assistant Division Chief in the Research and Methodology Directorate overseeing evaluations designed to determine the effectiveness of Census Bureau programs.

In 2006, he moved back to the Decennial Directorate to oversee the program management office for the 2010 Census. He was responsible for the design, development and implementation of 2010 Census program management processes which included requirements management, schedule management, performance management, issues management, risk management, change control and governance. In 2011, he became the Division Chief over the American Community Survey. In 2015, Jim moved to the Demographic Directorate to oversee research and operational implementation of statistical methods for over 25 federal demographic surveys. In 2017, he returned to the decennial directorate to work on the 2020 Census.

Jim graduated from the State University of New York, College at Brockport in 1985 majoring in Mathematics and Computer Science along with a certification in secondary mathematics education. He received his Master's in Survey Methodology from the University of Maryland in 1999 and a Master's Certificate in Project Management from George Washington University in 2002.

Jennifer M. Ortman

Assistant Division Chief for Survey Methods and Measures in the American Community Survey Office, U.S. Census Bureau

Dr. Jennifer Ortman began her career at the U.S. Census Bureau as a demographer leading the production of the national population projections and collaborating on efforts to improve the population estimates. In 2015, she became the Assistant Division Chief for Social Characteristics in the Social, Economic, and Housing Statistics Division of the U.S. Census Bureau. She oversaw the production and analysis of data on social characteristics, including migration, commuting patterns, family composition, marital status, fertility, child care, education, voting, internet use, and language. Jennifer became the Assistant Division Chief for Survey Methods and Measures in the American Community Survey Office in 2016, where she provides technical leadership and broad programmatic oversight for the content, research, and evaluation work related to the American Community Survey. Jennifer has co-authored reports on topics such as the older population and baby boom cohort and has appeared twice on C-SPAN's "America by the Numbers" to discuss her findings.

Rolando A. Rodríguez

Research Mathematical Statistician, U.S. Census Bureau

Rolando Rodríguez is a research mathematical statistician in the Center for Enterprise Dissemination at the U.S. Census Bureau. He has implemented methods for protecting respondent information in several censuses and surveys and is currently involved in efforts to modernize privacy practices in the American Community Survey. His research interests include privacy and confidentiality, missing data, and hierarchical modeling.

Zach Whitman
Chief Data Officer, U.S. Census Bureau

Dr. Zach Whitman joined the U.S. Census Bureau as the Chief Data Officer in July 2016 to promote the use of Census data in public and commercial sectors. He is currently leading the development of the U.S. Census Bureau's enterprise data dissemination strategy and platform, currently accessible at data.census.gov. His prior experience at the Departments of Housing and Urban Development, Homeland Security, and Transportation included developing data dissemination platforms, civic data engagement events for federal agencies, and public-private partnerships. His mission is to develop the utility, and interoperability of governmental open data through improved data discovery and accessibility.

Constance F. Citro
Senior Scholar, Committee on National Statistics

Dr. Constance Citro is a senior scholar with the Committee on National Statistics (CNSTAT) at the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine. From 2004 to 2017, she served as director of CNSTAT. She began her career with CNSTAT in 1984 as study director for the panel that produced *The Bicentennial Census: New Directions for Methodology in 1990*. Dr. Citro received her B.A. in political science from the University of Rochester, and M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in political science from Yale University. Prior to joining CNSTAT, she held positions as vice president of Mathematica Policy Research, Inc., and Data Use and Access Laboratories, Inc. She is a fellow of the American Statistical Association and an elected member of the International Statistical Institute. She received the Roger Herriot Award for Innovation in Federal Statistics in 1997 and the Waksberg Award in Survey Methodology in 2014. For CNSTAT, she directed evaluations of the 2000 census, the U.S. poverty measure, the Survey of Income and Program Participation, microsimulation models for social welfare programs, and the NSF science and engineering personnel data system, in addition to studies on institutional review boards and social science research, estimates of poverty for small geographic areas, and data and methods for retirement income modeling. She contributed to studies on evaluation of changes in welfare programs, measuring racial discrimination, the American Community Survey, the Census Bureau's annual economic surveys, and programs and policies for reducing child poverty. She co-edited the 1st-5th and edited the 6th edition of CNSTAT's flagship publication, *Principles and Practices for a Federal Statistical Agency*.

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Shawn J. Bucholtz
Director, Housing and Demographic Analysis Division,
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Dr. Shawn J. Bucholtz is director of the Housing and Demographic Analysis Division at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R). He oversees HUD's housing market surveys program, including the American Housing Survey and the Rental Housing Finance Survey. He previously served as branch chief for planning and analysis at the Farm Service Agency and as an economist and geographer at the Economics Research Service, both in the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He has a B.S. degree in public resource management from Michigan State University, an M.S. degree in agricultural and resource economics from the University of Maryland, and a Ph.D. in computational social science from George Mason University.

Lance George
Director of Research & Information, Housing Assistance Council

Lance George is the Director of Research and Information at the Housing Assistance Council (HAC). Prior to becoming the HAC's Research Director, Lance served as the organization's Senior Research Associate for 10 years. Before HAC, Lance worked for Frontier Housing, Inc., a nonprofit organization that builds affordable homes for low-income families in Appalachian Eastern Kentucky. Lance's research and policy analysis at HAC encompasses a wide array of issues and topics related to affordable housing; including manufactured housing, poverty and high need rural areas, rural definitions and classifications, mortgage access and finance, and general demography, mapping, and data analysis of rural people and their housing conditions.

Emilia Istrate
Senior Scholar, George Washington Institute of Public Policy

Dr. Emilia Istrate is a non-resident Senior Scholar with the George Washington Institute of Public Policy (GWIPP). As part of the institute, Emilia connects GWIPP faculty with researchers on cooperative businesses, conducts research on local governments and cooperative businesses and speaks to external audiences on a variety of public policy issues. In addition, Emilia leads thought leadership, membership and resource development at the National Cooperative Business Association (NCBA) CLUSA as Vice President of Resource Development. At NCBA, she manages the Council of Cooperative Economists, a group of researchers focused on the impact of cooperative businesses. Emilia is a member of the editorial board of the Cooperative Business Journal, NCBA's main publication.

Emilia specializes in issues related to cooperative businesses, state and local government finance, economic development and infrastructure. Dr. Istrate holds a Ph.D. in Public Policy from George Mason University and graduate degrees in International Studies and International Economics from Johns Hopkins University and Diplomatic Academy of Vienna, Austria.

Jason R. Jurjevich
Associate Professor, Portland State University

Dr. Jason R. Jurjevich is an Associate Professor in the Nohad A. Toulan School of Urban Studies and Planning and serves as the Associate Director of the Population Research Center (PRC) at Portland State University (PSU). At PSU, Jurjevich conducts research focusing on the socio-spatial implications of demographic change, with a particular emphasis on mobility and migration, and also teaches courses in population geography and applied demographic methods.

A broadly trained human geographer, Jurjevich's research interests address issues relating to political and population geography. Since 2010, his work has been cited in numerous media outlets, including *National Public Radio (NPR), Univision, CityLab, Governing Magazine, New York Times Magazine, Atlantic Cities, and The Chronicle of Higher Education.* Recently Jurjevich created *Census 20/20 Now*, a website aimed at fostering community preparedness and inspiring individual action to support a fair and accurate census in 2020. Jurjevich earned his Ph.D. in Geography from the University of Arizona in Tucson.

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Stas Kolenikov
Principal Scientist, Division of Data Science, Surveys and Enabling Technologies, Abt Associates

Dr. Kolenikov is Principal Scientist in the Division of Data Science, Surveys and Enabling Technologies, Abt Associates. His key responsibilities include sampling design, power analysis, weighting and imputation schemes. His extensive expertise in a variety of quantitative methods, ranging from structural equation modeling to econometric instrumental variable regression, from multiple imputation to numeric optimization methods, is a key capacity in addressing statistical and methodological challenges in the studies Abt Associates conduct. He is active in professional societies (American Association for Public Opinion Research, the American Statistical Association) and taught continuing education courses on survey data analysis and weighting. He is a certified Professional Statistician (PStat) recognized by the American Statistical Association. His most recent publications include research on mode effect analysis, machine learning approaches to nonresponse adjustments, computational aspects of survey data calibration and weighting, replicate variance estimation with survey data, and statistical foundations of latent variable modeling methodologies.

Katherine Nesse
Assistant Professor, Seattle Pacific University

Dr. Katherine Nesse is an assistant professor and director of the urban studies program at Seattle Pacific University. Her research is at the intersection of demographics and the economy. Specifically, her interests are in the use of demographic methods for public policy and local development. She is currently developing a method of estimating demographic characteristics based on the physical environment. She also consults on the development and application of demographic tools and data for EPA's Technical Assistance to Brownfields and the Illinois Early Childhood Asset Map.

Joseph J. Salvo
Director, Population Division,
New York City Department of City Planning

Dr. Joseph J. Salvo is Chief Demographer at the New York City Department of City Planning. The Population Division serves as the city's in-house demographic consultant, providing expertise to agencies on applications involving assessments of need, program planning and targeting, and policy formulation. He has testified before Congress, and served as an advisor to the Census Bureau and the National Academy of Sciences. He has co-authored articles on settlement patterns of race/ethnic groups, census methods, and survey evaluation. Dr. Salvo is presently leading a team making technical preparations for the 2020 Census and is active nationally in promoting the use of methods that will provide a more accurate count of the city's population. He received M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Fordham University, is a recipient of the Sloan Public Service Award from the Fund for the City of New York, and a Fellow of the American Statistical Association.

Linda A. Jacobsen
Vice President, U.S. Programs, PRB

Dr. Linda A. Jacobsen is Vice President of U.S. Programs at the Population Reference Bureau (PRB), where she directs research projects, develops strategy and tools for disseminating population data and research, and writes reports and web articles. She has co-authored numerous PRB reports on U.S. social, economic, and demographic trends, and been a featured speaker at many professional meetings and conferences. Dr. Jacobsen is President of the Southern Demographic Association, chair of the Board of Directors of the Council of Professional Associations on Federal Statistics, and a member of the Committee on Population Statistics of the Population Association of America (PAA). She is a Fellow of the American Statistical Association.

Dr. Jacobsen has extensive research experience with the American Community Survey (ACS), and works in partnership with Census Bureau staff on several projects to increase knowledge and use of the ACS and facilitate communication among ACS data users. She is co-author of the Census Bureau's 2018 handbook, "Understanding and Using American Community Survey Data: What All Data Users Need to Know." Before joining PRB, Dr. Jacobsen was a senior executive and chief demographer for two leading marketing information companies; research director for American Demographics magazine; and faculty member at Cornell University and the University of Iowa. She holds a Ph.D. and MS in Sociology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and a BA in Sociology from Reed College.

Mark Mather
Associate Vice President, U.S. Programs, PRB

Dr. Mark Mather is the Associate Vice President of U.S. Programs at the Population Reference Bureau and has over 20 years of experience communicating population research to advocacy groups, educators, journalists, and the public. He has authored more than 50 reports and briefs on U.S. population trends and their implications, specializing in issues related to child, family, and older adult well-being.

Dr. Mather works in partnership with Census Bureau staff on several projects to increase knowledge and use of American Community Survey data. He is co-author of the Census Bureau's 2018 handbook, "Understanding and Using American Community Survey Data: What All Data Users Need to Know." He holds a Ph.D. and MA in Sociology from the University of Maryland at College Park and a BA in Anthropology from Pennsylvania State University.

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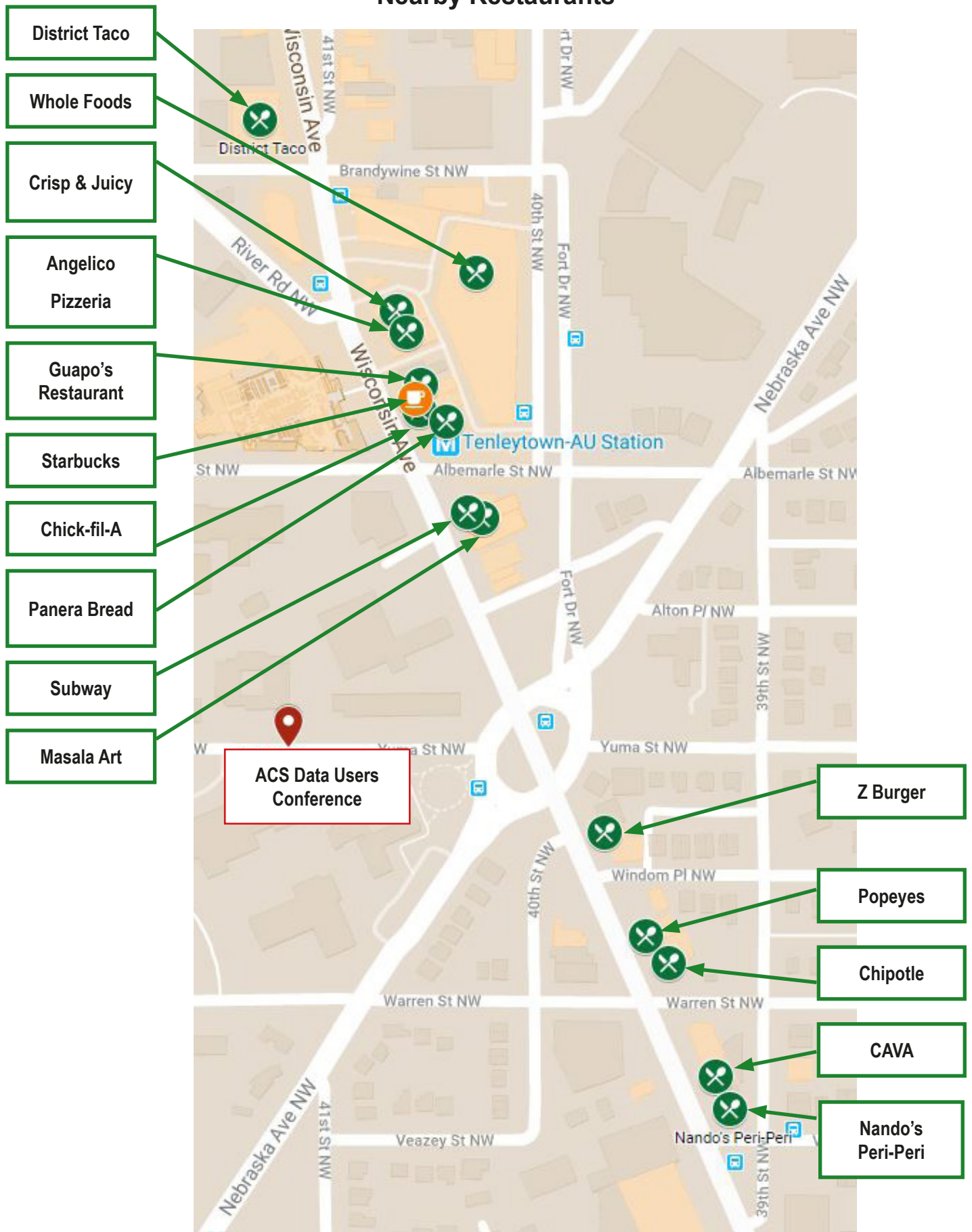## *Research Assistant, U.S. Programs, PRB*

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