ACRDC Newsletter
A report of activities of the Atlanta Census Research Data Center
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RDC Research Conference to be held in Chicago, Sept. 20
The 2012 Census RDC Research Conference will be held September 20, 2012, at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. Call for papers and registration can be found here: http://www.chicagofed.org/webpages/events/2012/research_data_center.cfm

The conference will showcase research from the nationwide network of RDCs – including research using demographic, business, and linked employee-employer data from the U.S. Census Bureau, as well as health data from the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ). RDC research performs statistical analyses on non-public versions of data from these government agencies. Paper submission deadline is July 2, 2012.

Save the Date: 1st Annual ACRDC Conference, Oct. 18-19
University of Georgia will host the inaugural ACRDC Conference. Details will be forthcoming.

CES Dissertation Mentorship Program
The Center for Economic Studies wants to assist doctoral candidates who are actively engaged in dissertation research in economics or a related field using Census Bureau microdata at a Research Data Center. Further information can be found on the ACRDC web site and here: link.

NSF Funding Opportunities Suited for Use of RDC Data
Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics (MMS) - August 16, 2012
The Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics (MMS) Program seeks proposals that are methodologically innovative, grounded in theory, and have potential utility for multiple fields within the social and behavioral sciences.

Science of Organizations (SoO) - September 3, 2012
SoO funds research that advances our fundamental understanding of how organizations develop, form and operate.

Decision, Risk and Management Sciences (DRMS) - August 18, 2012
Disciplinary and interdisciplinary research, doctoral dissertation research, and workshops are funded in the areas of judgment and decision making; decision analysis and decision aids; risk analysis, perception, and communication; societal and public policy decision making; management science and organizational design.
Projects and Proposals
See the ACRDC web site (aysps.gsu.edu/acrdc) for information and links for writing proposals. The list below reflects only those projects that are active or are under review. There are many more in production.

Emory University:
"Soft Drink Taxes and Childhood Obesity"
   by David Frisvold, Jason Fletcher, and Nathan Tefft
"Trends in the Determinants of Race/Ethnic Disparities in Child Health"
   by Neil Mehta, Hedy Lee, and Kelly Ylitalo
"The Contribution of Obesity to International Differences in Life Expectancy"
   by Neil Mehta
"The Distributional Effects of Tobacco Control Policies on Smoking Outcomes"
   by Erik Nesson

Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta:
"Primary and Secondary Employment Impacts of Local Economic Development Projects" by Christopher Cunningham, Julie Hotchkiss, and Melinda Pitts

University of Tennessee-Knoxville:
"Imputing Small Area Sample Weights for Public Use Microdata: Increasing the Geographic Scope of the PUMS" by Nicholas Nagle, Barbara Buttenfield (U of CO), and Stefan Leyke (U of CO)
"Improving the Connection Between the Spatial and the Survey Sciences" by Nicholas Nagle and Seth Spielman (U of CO)
"Contextual Effects of Community Characteristics on Health Care Behaviors among Older Foreign-born Individuals" by Sunha Choi

Georgia State University:
"Determinants of Educational and Developmental Outcomes among Adopted and Non-adopted Children" by Regina Werum (Emory), Tomeka Davis (GSU), Irene Browne (Emory), and Simon Cheng (U of CT)
"Comparison of the distributions of Production and Energy Efficiency in Manufacturing" by Gale Boyd (Duke) and Mark Curtis

University of Georgia:
"LEHD Infrastructure Project" by Ian Schmutte and others at Cornell U
"The Origins of Entrepreneurship" by Jack He, Mercedes Delgado (Temple U), Wayne Gray (Clark U), and others at Boston
"Employee Risk Tolerance and Corporate Decisions"
   by Jack He and Tao Shu

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