

# An Annotated List of Census Resources for Educators

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**T**eachers and students accessing these ten sites will find linked information with interactive opportunities, downloadable data, and both national and local statistics that can personalize lessons and provide current usable data for classroom activities. The ten questions on the 2010 U.S. Census Form, with brief explanations, appear on page 6 of this issue of *SSYL*.

## U.S. Census Bureau

[www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)

This is the official site of the Census Bureau. This home page provides the main links to data, publications, and products.

## Census in Schools

[www.census.gov/schools](http://www.census.gov/schools)

This is the official site of the Census Bureau's K-12 program.

## State Facts for Students

[www.census.gov/schools/facts](http://www.census.gov/schools/facts)

This site provides population, geographic and business data, historical highlights of population, and unusual information about each state. A downloadable teacher lesson plan, "Picture Your State," is available to teachers on this site.

## American FactFinder

[www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)

—Click on "American FactFinder."

This site is the Census Bureau's primary vehicle for distributing data. It includes facts and news on population origins, language, and race and ethnicity.

## Facts for Features and Special Editions

[www.census.gov/Press-Release/www/releases](http://www.census.gov/Press-Release/www/releases)

—Click on "Facts for Features"

This site provides collections of statistics to mark observances and to provide background information for topics in the news (i.e., feature stories). There are also interesting, timely facts related to specific holidays and celebrations. For example, using the search function of the Edit menu (not the online Google box), enter "Grandparents" to read about that topic as presented on Grandparents Day, July 13, 2009.

## Measuring America:

### The Decennial Censuses 1790-2000

[www.census.gov/prod/www/abs/ma.html](http://www.census.gov/prod/www/abs/ma.html)

This site provides both the census questionnaires and instructions (in PDF format) from 1790 to 2000. The explanations of the questionnaire and instructions provide detailed information that provides insight into the historical era and interesting background for the study of U. S. history.

## Census Bureau YouTube Channel

[www.youtube.com/user/uscensusbureau](http://www.youtube.com/user/uscensusbureau)

This site includes a variety of videos and playlists connecting the user to Census Bureau information. Testimonials from 2010 Census Partners provide messages from various racial and ethnic groups and community leaders about the importance of the involvement of every person and group in the census.

## Broadcast and Photo Services

[www.census.gov/pubinfo/www/broadcast](http://www.census.gov/pubinfo/www/broadcast)

This Census Bureau newsroom site has news releases by subject and by year for the last decade, tip sheets, minority links, current and past radio, video and television features, and telephone downloads of historical information. Photo services include downloadable stock and feature photos listed by topic in low and high resolution.

## Local Employment Dynamics (LED)

[lehd.did.census.gov/led/led/led.html](http://lehd.did.census.gov/led/led/led.html)

The LED partnership between state labor market information agencies and the Census Bureau is the cornerstone of a program designed to develop new information about local labor market conditions. Educators will find this site personally valuable because it offers quarterly workforce information on the rapidly changing economy at the state, county, and sub-county levels. 🌐

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