

Some Background from Census 2000

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Abstract

Census 2000 provides a snapshot of the population of the U.S. as of April 1, 2000. In this section we present certain data from Census 2000 as background to the research and discussion in this volume. All Census data employed in this presentation are available in tabular form on the Census Bureau website (www.census.gov). We overview these data in graphical form and provide some discussion germane to the interests expressed in this volume. In many instances, we are constrained by the age detail contained in the Census 2000 summary files, where tables may terminate in age categories such as 65+ or 85+. Nonetheless, we hope that these data will still provide useful background to the papers in this volume.