

### An American Community

The U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS) is a vital source of information that helps communities, businesses and state and local governments assess, provide services and plan for the future. With statistics on age, income level, education, occupation and marital status, the ACS enables decision-makers to appropriately fund school lunch programs, place new hospitals, build new businesses and take other actions that lead to healthy towns and cities.



### Inside America's Economic Machine

The United States has the world's largest economy, with a gross domestic product of \$15 trillion, almost twice the size of China, the second-largest economy. The U.S. Census Bureau's economic programs, in particular the five-year Economic Census and the Census of Governments, measure the U.S. economy in its many aspects and help the nation keep its economic edge. Shown here are a few of the latest economic statistics from the U.S. Census Bureau.

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#### Business Characteristics

How many businesses are in the United States?

**5.8 Million**  
Employer Firms (2010)

**97% of all**  
business receipts

**21.7 Million**  
Non-employer Firms (2010)

sell across agencies, "mom and pop" stores, and other small businesses



# Workshop Training

Small Business

# American Fact Finder

County Business Patterns

# Census.gov

Non-profits, Webinar, Data, OnTheMap, Veterans, University, Planning

# Quick Facts

Local Employment Dynamics



# Data Access Training

**Scheduling webinars and in-person trainings now!**

Whether you're a community planner, a non-profit executive, a business owner, or a local government official, Census Bureau data can help you. Learn how to access the most current data to assist you in grant writing, fundraising, business and project planning, or developing a community needs assessment. Trainings are available at no cost to you.

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