

County-Level Economic Indicators: Data Sources.

If you are applying for a match waiver or match replacement, you are required to compare current economic conditions to conditions last year or two years ago. You are also required to demonstrate that resources have decreased by including information such as unemployment, poverty, job loss or foreclosure rates, or decreased lending and grant-making in the area.

The following table provides website addresses where publicly available data on key economic indicators can be found.

Web site address	Explanation
http://www.econdata.net	Econdata.Net: This site links to a variety of social and economic data by states, counties and metro areas.
http://www.bea.gov/regional/reis/	Bureau of Economic Analysis' Regional Economic Information System (REIS): Provides data on per capita income by county for all states except Puerto Rico. County data currently available through 2006.
http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/saipe/data/statecounty/data/index.html	Census Bureau's Small Area Poverty Estimates (SAIPE): Provides data on poverty and population estimates by county for all states except Puerto Rico. County data currently available through 2007.
http://www.census.gov/main/www/cen2000.html	Census 1990 and 2000: Provides data from the decennial national census, including estimates on poverty, per capita income and unemployment by counties, states, and metro areas including Puerto Rico. Available through the Census Bureau's American Fact-Finder.
http://factfinder.census.gov/home/saff/main.html?_lang=en	Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS): Provides three-year estimates (2005-2007) of a variety of indicators for all counties with population of 20,000 or more. For smaller counties, five-year estimates (data collected 2005-2009) will be released in 2010. Available through the Census Bureau's American Fact-Finder.
http://www.bls.gov/lau/	Bureau of Labor Statistics' Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS): Provides data on annual and monthly employment and unemployment by counties for all states including Puerto Rico. County data currently available through January 2009.
http://www.ers.usda.gov/Data/RuralUrbanContinuumCodes/	U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural-Urban Continuum Codes (Beale codes): Provides urban-rural codes for all counties in U.S. Last updated in 2003, following the 2000 Census.
http://www.realtytrac.com/ContentManagement	RealtyTrac has collected data on foreclosures for over 2,000 counties nationwide. Foreclosure rates for states are published each month; rates for largest metropolitan areas are published approximately annually. Up-to-date and historical foreclosure rates for states, metropolitan areas, and counties are available for a fee.