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Introduction to Census 2000 Data Products—Pacific Island Areas

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Census 2000—Pacific Island Areas. Information about housing units and people in the Pacific Island Areas, which include American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CMNI) and Guam, will be available in a variety of formats and media, including the Internet, CD-ROMs, paper, and a printed report. This brochure provides a brief introduction to the information available for the Pacific Island Areas from Census 2000, Census 2000 geography, maps, and data products. Visit our Web site at www.census.gov for more information.

Information Available From the Census of Population and Housing: Pacific Island Areas

Basic Subjects

Household relationship
Sex
Age
Race/ethnicity

Tenure (whether the home is owned or rented)
Vacancy characteristics

Detailed Subjects

Population

Marital status
Place of birth, citizenship, and year of entry to the Pacific Island Area
Parental birthplace*
Fertility, including date of birth of last child*
School enrollment and educational attainment
Vocational training*
Migration (residence in 1995)
Reason for migration*
Language spoken at home
Frequency of English usage*
Veteran status
Military dependency*
Disability
Grandparents as caregivers
Labor force status
Place of work and journey to work
Occupation, industry, and class of worker
Work status in 1999
Income in 1999

Housing

Value of home or monthly rent paid
Units in structure
Year structure built
Number of rooms and number of bedrooms
Year moved into residence
Plumbing and kitchen facilities
Telephone service
Vehicles available
Source of water*
Sewage disposal*
Condominium status*
Materials used for walls/roof/foundation*
Battery operated radio*
Air conditioning*
Business/medical office on property
Utilities, mortgage, taxes, insurance, and fuel costs

* Subjects not on stateside questionnaire.

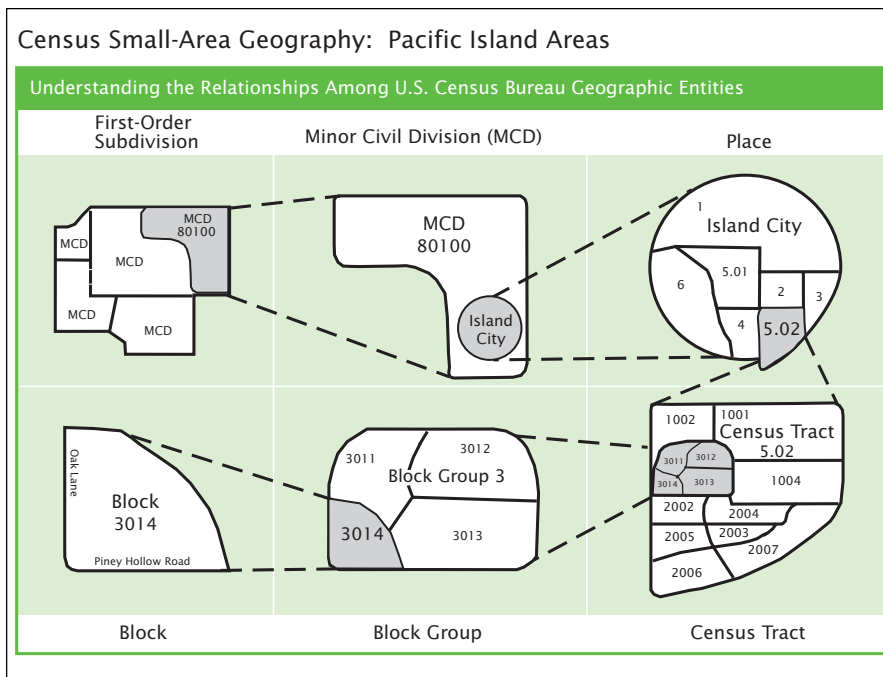
Note: In the Pacific Island Areas, all questions were asked for all housing units. The basic subjects are equivalent to the stateside 100-percent component subjects, and the detailed subjects are equivalent to the stateside sample component subjects.

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Census 2000 Geographic Areas

Blocks. Generally bounded by streets, legal boundaries, and other features, a block is the smallest geographic unit for which the Census Bureau tabulates data.

Block groups (BGs). Block groups are a collection of census blocks within a census tract, sharing the same first digit of their four-digit identifying numbers.

Census tracts. These small statistical subdivisions of counties (or statistically equivalent areas) generally have stable boundaries and, when first established, were designed to have relatively homogeneous demographic characteristics. For American Samoa, the CNMI, and Guam, the optimum size is 2,500 people. Counties and statistically equivalent entities with fewer than 1,500 people usually have a single census tract.

First-order subdivisions. These are the highest-level legal subdivisions of a state (usually a county in the United States) or a statistically equivalent area. The entities that serve as first-order subdivisions for census purposes in the Pacific Island Areas are as follows:

American Samoa is comprised of two islands (Rose and Swains) and three districts (Eastern, Manu'a, and Western). The islands are legally defined, nonfunctioning geographic entities. The districts are functioning governmental units.

The CNMI contains four municipalities: Northern Islands, Rota, Saipan, and Tinian. These municipalities are functioning governmental units.

Guam has no separate county-level entities. Guam serves as both a state and county equivalent.

Metropolitan areas (MAs). An MA consists of a large population nucleus of 50,000 population or greater, together with adjacent communities having a high degree of social and economic integration with that core. There are no metropolitan areas in American Samoa, the CNMI, or Guam.

Minor Civil Divisions (MCDs). Minor civil divisions are legally defined entities that subdivide the first-order subdivisions. The entities that serve as MCDs for census purposes in the Pacific Island Areas are as follows:

American Samoa: Counties (within the three districts; the two islands have no legal subdivisions and serve as an MCD equivalent).

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands: Municipal districts.

Guam: Election districts.

Places. In American Samoa, the traditional villages serve as equivalents of legal entities such as cities in the United States. For the other areas, the census presents data only for densely settled population centers called census designated places (CDPs). These are settlements without legally defined powers or boundaries that are delineated by the local officials in cooperation with the Census Bureau.

States and equivalent areas. The Census Bureau treats each Pacific Island Area (American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and Guam) as the statistical equivalent of a U.S. state for data presentation.

Urban areas. Urban areas consist of urbanized areas (UAs) and other urban clusters (UCs). A UA consists of densely settled territory with a population of 50,000 or more inhabitants. A UC has from 2,500 to 49,999 population.

Census 2000 Data Products Available in Many Forms

Census 2000 Data Products

The decennial census yields a wealth of data, which have virtually unlimited applications. A complete line of Census 2000 data products for the Pacific Island Areas will soon be available. We have designed a variety of products to fit your data needs.

Detailed results of Census 2000 for American Samoa, the CNMI, and Guam will be contained in a summary file for each area that you can access through the **Internet** and on **CD-ROM**. A related electronic and print product is the **Demographic Profile** for each of the Pacific Island

Areas which includes demographic, social, economic and housing characteristics for places. In addition, there will be a **report** available in print for each of the Pacific Island Areas, **Census 2000: Social, Economic, and Housing Characteristics**.

Internet. For easy access to all Census 2000 information, click on American FactFinder® on the Census Bureau's home page (www.census.gov). Generally, most data products will be released first on the Internet, followed by subsequent releases in other formats.

CD-ROM. Most Census 2000 tabulations and maps for the Pacific Island Areas will be available on CD-ROMs. Viewing software will be included. CD-ROMs may be ordered by phone through the Census Bureau's Customer Services Center on 301-763-INFO (4636), or by clicking on *Catalog* from the Census Bureau's home page.

Printed report. The printed report for each of the Pacific Island Areas will be sold through the U.S. Government Printing Office. Much of the information in the printed report will be available earlier in other data products.

The following release dates are preliminary and may be revised later.

Demographic Profile. This product will give a snapshot of the demographic, social, economic, and housing characteristics for each county equivalent, functioning MCD, and place within each of the Pacific Island Areas. A separate profile will be prepared for American Samoa, the CNMI, and Guam. The profiles will be available as paper tables. You can also access the profiles through the Internet and on CD-ROM.

Planned release date:
October 2001

Summary File. This file presents basic subjects (household relationship, sex, age, race/ethnicity, tenure, and vacancy status) at the block level. Detailed subjects will be

provided down to the block group level for many tabulations but only down to the census tract level for others. A separate file will be prepared for each of the Pacific Island Areas (American Samoa, the CNMI, and Guam). This file will be available on the Internet through the American FactFinder®.

Planned release date:
February 2002

Printed Report

Census 2000, Social, Economic, and Housing Characteristics.

This publication will include information on detailed population and housing characteristics for places. It also will be available on the Internet. A separate report will be prepared for each of the Pacific Island Areas.

Planned release date:
November 2002

Microdata (Guam only)

Microdata allow users to prepare their own customized tabulations and cross tabulations of most population and housing subjects, using specially prepared microdata files. These files are the actual responses to census questionnaires, but with names and addresses removed and the geography sufficiently broad to protect confidentiality.

Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) File. A PUMS file will be offered for Guam on CD-ROM. It is a 10-percent sample of the entire area.

Planned release date:
December 2002

Maps and Geographic Products

A variety of maps, boundary files, and other geographic products will be available to help users locate and identify geographic areas. These products will be available in various media such as the Internet, DVD, CD-ROM, and, in the case of maps, as print-on-demand products.

Census 2000 TIGER/Line® files.

These files contain geographic boundaries and codes, streets, and coordinates for use with geographic information systems for mapping and other applications.

Planned release date:
August 2001

Census block maps. These maps show the boundaries, names, and codes for each of the Pacific Island Areas, county equivalent areas, places, census tracts, and census blocks. This map series will be produced for each county equivalent, MCD, and place.

Planned release date:
September 2001-December 2001

Census tract outline maps.

These county equivalent based maps show the boundaries and numbers of census tracts and names of features underlying the boundaries. They also show the boundaries, names, and codes for county equivalent areas, MCDs, and places.

Planned release date:
September 2001-December 2001

Reference maps. This series of tabulation reference map types shows the boundaries for tabulation areas including: the Pacific Island Areas, county equivalent areas, MCDs, and places. This series includes the state and county subdivision outline maps and urban area maps. These maps vary in size from wall to page size.

Planned release date:
On the same schedule as printed reports.

Generalized boundary files.

These files are designed for use in a geographic information system (GIS) or similar computer mapping software. Boundary files are available for most levels of census geography down to and including block groups.

Planned release date:
September 2001-December 2001

For More Information About Census 2000 and Census 2000 Data Products:

- Visit the Census Bureau's Internet site at *www.census.gov* or call our Customer Services Center at 301-763-INFO (4636).
- Contact the Data Center for your Island Area:

American Samoa

Department of Commerce
Statistics Division
Phone: 011-684-633-5155

Guam

Department of Commerce
Phone: 671-475-0321

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Department of Commerce
Central Statistics Division
Phone: 670-664-3000

- Contact the Puerto Rico and Island Areas Staff, U.S. Census Bureau, on 301-457-4038 or via fax on 301-457-3763.
- Visit your local library. Many major university and public libraries participate in the Federal Depository Library Program and receive copies of Census Bureau reports and CD-ROMs.

**Census 2000 Data Products—
Pacific Island Areas At a Glance**

<i>Planned release date</i>	<i>Data products</i>	<i>Lowest level geography</i>
October 2001	Demographic Profile Demographic, social, economic, and housing characteristics <i>Media: Internet, CD-ROM, paper</i>	Places
February 2002	Summary File Demographic characteristics, population, and housing unit counts. Detailed population and housing characteristics <i>Media: Internet, CD-ROM</i>	Blocks Block groups/ Census tracts
November 2002	Census 2000: Social, Economic, and Housing Characteristics (PHC-4) <i>Media: Internet, paper (printed report)</i>	Places
December 2002	Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) File 10-percent sample (Guam only) <i>Medium: CD-ROM</i>	Guam

Note: Census 2000 data products are designed to meet a variety of data needs for different segments of the data user community. Constraints with staff and budget, federal guidelines, data processing, or other considerations **may result in changes to the content and types of data products prepared or the timing of their release.**