

# Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Summary

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The Census Bureau is continuing a multiyear process of transforming its organization and operations from a twentieth century, survey-centric model to a twenty-first century, data-centric model that blends survey data with administrative and alternative digital data sources. This will not only benefit the 2030 Census but also the monthly, quarterly, and annual economic, demographic, and geographic data the Census Bureau releases.

The FY 2024 Budget invests in new data products and capabilities, continues innovations in enterprise capabilities, and builds the 2030 Census program. Specifically, the Census Bureau will develop new data products for use by researchers, policymakers, and the public; improve data collection methods and quality; invest in new data and crosscutting research and capabilities; and continue investments and enterprise technology.

The FY 2024 Budget **develops new data products** for use by researchers, policymakers, and the public. In FY 2024, the Census Bureau establishes an annual Puerto Rico Economic Survey resolving a long-standing gap on Puerto Rico's economy. Also, the Census Bureau accelerates the Post-Secondary Employment Outcomes (PSEO) experiential data for greater coverage on postsecondary graduates, adding outcomes by race, ethnicity, and gender. The FY 2024 request also includes an initiative of a new annual program to measure the production of advanced and emerging technologies by U.S. businesses that provides insights into U.S. competitiveness in the global market. The Census Bureau formalizes a pilot program to improve measurement of EHealth data. The Census Bureau improves global demographic and economic statistics, including estimates of broadband access and full samples for the Survey of Income and Program Participation.

The FY 2024 Budget **improves data collection and methodology** by establishing an infrastructure for improvements to intercensal population estimates, including the estimates base used to develop the annual population estimates.

In FY 2024, the Census Bureau remains committed to innovation and invests in new data and **crosscutting research and capabilities**. The FY 2024 Budget supports development of an online panel to support the timely and efficient collection of high-quality data for production

## Census Bureau Funding

(In thousands of dollars)

Program	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Enacted	FY 2024 Estimate	FY 2024 (±) Estimate
Current Surveys and Programs . . . . .	300,000	330,000	375,673	+45,673
Periodic Census and Programs . . . . .	1,050,444	1,155,000	1,230,331	+75,331
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>1,350,444</b>	<b>1,485,000</b>	<b>1,606,004</b>	<b>+121,004</b>

Note: Discretionary budget authority.

and research purposes. Additionally, the budget enhances data on small population groups, advances engineering and computing for data science research, and builds the data infrastructure to measure the impact of the environment and natural disasters on the nation's people and economy. The Census Bureau also continues Evidence Act implementation by conducting more complex, multi-agency, large dataset projects, and bringing new types of researchers to the Census Bureau. As a High-Impact Service Provider, the FY 2024 Budget establishes a Customer Experience Office to support Executive Order 14058—Transforming Federal Customer Experience and Service Delivery to Rebuild Trust in Government.

Finally, the FY 2024 Budget **continues investments and enterprise technology**. The budget capitalizes on 2020 Census innovations and technology, informing the 2030 Census design. The FY 2024 Budget continues to integrate our IT capabilities and invests in the Enterprise Data Lake, Data Ingest and Collection for the Enterprise (DICE) program, and our Center for Enterprise Dissemination Services and Consumer Innovation (CEDSCI). The budget also reflects the lower level of effort required to meet the planned milestones for the 2022 Census of Governments and supports the economic census follow-up efforts. Annualize efforts begun in FY 2023, the FY 2024 Budget continues to modernize measures of the construction sector of the economy, innovate measurements to identify business formations, create new estimates for small geographic areas and populations, improve data collection and quality, and reduces data collection costs.

## CURRENT ECONOMIC STATISTICS—REQUEST \$248.6M (+\$28.0M)

### Develop New Data Products

- Establishes a new program for Puerto Rico, including an annual Puerto Rico Economic Survey and a monthly/quarterly economic indicator collection, resolving a long-standing gap in the economic data.
- Accelerates the expansion of the PSEO experimental data both for greater coverage of postsecondary graduates and adding outcomes by race, ethnicity, and gender.
- Launches an annual program to measure the production and capture the current capacity of advanced and emerging technologies by U.S. businesses.

### Continue Investments and Enterprise Technology

- Funds efforts begun in FY 2023 to modernize measures of the construction sector of the economy through improvements in data products and innovative measurements of entrepreneurial activity to identify business formations.

## PERIODIC ECONOMIC PROGRAMS—REQUEST \$165.8M (-\$18.4M)

### Continue Investments and Enterprise Technology

- Reflects the fifth year of the 5-year cycle of the 2022 Census of Governments and the lower level of effort and temporary work related to content determination and data collection activities.
- Leverages the expanded use of existing government administrative records, implements innovative data collection methods and strategies, and releases the Organization Component data.
- Supports the economic census follow-up activities to increase response, complete data collection, and analyze the data to release national industry “First Look” data by the end of the second quarter of FY 2024.

## CURRENT DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS—REQUEST \$127.0M (+\$17.7M)

### Improve Data Collection Methods and Quality

- Establishes and maintains an infrastructure for improvements to intercensal population estimates, including the estimates base used to develop the annual population estimates.

### Develop New Data Products

- Formalizes a pilot program to reuse administrative records to improve measurement of health care characteristics and advance the nation's understanding of population health.
- Improves global demographic and economic statistics, including estimates of broadband access, and supports the full sample for the Survey of Income and Program Participation.

### Crosscutting Research Techniques and Capabilities

- Enhances data on small populations.

- Develops an online research panel for the Census Bureau's household surveys program.

### Continue Investments and Enterprise Technology

- Continues building the Community Resilience Estimates program, creating new estimates for small geographic areas and populations.

## DECENNIAL CENSUS—REQUEST \$668.8M (+\$26.3M)

### Continue Investments and Enterprise Technology

- Sunsets 2020 Census program.
- Leverages and capitalizes on 2020 Census innovations, management practices, and technology to inform a 2030 Census design.
- Provides annual, detailed, community-level, demographic, socioeconomic estimates for the American Community Survey.

## GEOGRAPHIC SUPPORT—REQUEST \$115.6M (+\$3.4M)

### Continue Investments and Enterprise Technology

- Maintains the geospatial infrastructure necessary for data collection, processing, tabulation, and dissemination programs.

## TRANSFORMING ENTERPRISE SOLUTIONS—REQUEST \$280.2M (+\$64.0M)

### Crosscutting Research Techniques and Capabilities

- Supports development of a data infrastructure allowing the Census Bureau to measure the impact of the environment and natural disasters on the nation's people and economy.
- Advances engineering and computing for data science research.
- Supports Evidence Act implementation to conduct more complex, multiagency, large dataset projects and bring new types of researchers to the Census Bureau.
- Establishes a Customer Experience Office to support Executive Order 14058—Transforming Federal Customer Experience and Service Delivery to Rebuild Trust in Government.

### Continue Investments and Enterprise Technology

- Supports the CEDSCI onboarding of surveys and datasets.
- Deploys functionality, provides operational support to several economic and demographic surveys, and develops functionality in support of 13 additional surveys.
- Continues integration with DICE, CEDSCI, and the Frames program to provide a holistic operations and data ecosystem.
- Funds efforts begun in FY 2023 to hire support staff to develop and deploy methodological approaches for survey adaptation, improve data collection and quality, and reduce data collection costs.