

Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Summary

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The Census Bureau is continuing a multiyear process of transforming its organization and operations from a survey-centric model to a data-centric model that blends survey data with administrative and alternative digital data sources. This approach will benefit all Census Bureau programs and provide more timely and relevant data products to stakeholders and the American public.

The FY 2025 Budget will invest in new data products, protect and modernize key demographic data products, improve data collection methods and quality, crosscut research and capabilities, continue investments in enterprise technology, and build the 2030 Census program.

The FY 2025 Budget will **develop new data products** for use by researchers, policymakers, and the public. In FY 2025, the Census Bureau will establish an annual Puerto Rico Economic Survey resolving a longstanding gap on Puerto Rico’s economy. The request expands the Census Bureau’s High Frequency Data Program which enhances the capability to collect timely and granular information about current economic conditions and trends.

The FY 2025 Budget will **protect and modernize key programs** by establishing an infrastructure for improvements to intercensal population estimates, including the estimates base used to develop the annual population estimates. Also, the request supports the transition of the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) into the Census Bureau Business Ecosystem and provides ongoing instrument and methodology development for the program to improve use of administrative records. The FY 2025 Budget will restore the fielded sample for SIPP to 53,000 cases to ensure that SIPP remains a leading source of comprehensive information on the dynamics of income, employment, household composition, and government program participation. Finally, the budget will support implementation of an online panel to support the timely and efficient collection of high-quality data for the Census Bureau’s household surveys.

In FY 2025, the Census Bureau remains committed to innovation and **invests in crosscutting research techniques** and capabilities and includes a partnership

Census Bureau Funding

(In thousands of dollars)

Program	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Annualized CR	FY 2025 Estimate	FY 2025 (±) Estimate
Current Surveys and Programs	330,000	330,000	367,347	+37,347
Periodic Census and Programs	1,155,000	1,155,000	1,210,344	+55,344
Total	1,485,000	1,485,000	1,577,691	+92,691

Note: Discretionary budget authority.

with NIST to help leverage privacy-enhancing technologies to protect the privacy of Americans against AI threats support Executive Order 14110 “Safe, Secure, and Trustworthy Development and Use of Artificial Intelligence.”

The FY 2025 Budget will **continue investments in enterprise technology**. The Census Bureau will continue to integrate IT capabilities and surveys into the Business Ecosystem. The Business Ecosystem enables common processing and data storage capabilities across the Census Bureau’s programs. The FY 2025 Budget will support migrating surveys to DICE to provide a streamlined questionnaire design that features optimized experiences for respondents and Census Bureau field representatives, and restores and continues efforts to consolidate the many existing dissemination systems into a shared-service platform that makes data discoverable, accessible, and consumable.

The budget will **support the economic and government censuses** by funding data release activities for the 2022 censuses and planning and content development for the 2027 censuses.

Finally, to **build the 2030 Census program**, the Census Bureau will continue to leverage the successes of prior censuses by finalizing research across a wide array of potential enhancements, initiating the key investments needed to take these innovations to their peak maturity, and selecting the initial framework for an operational design.

CURRENT ECONOMIC STATISTICS—REQUEST \$236.8M

Develops 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 longstanding gap in the economic data.
- Expands the capability, via the High Frequency Data Program, to collect timely and granular information about current economic trends, as well as the impact of national, subnational, or sector-level shocks on business activity. Expands the capability to measure the economic and social impacts of significant events or public policy challenges.

PERIODIC ECONOMIC PROGRAMS—REQUEST \$172.9M

Supports the Economic and Government Censuses

- Improves processing activities for the Census of Governments, which allows for reduced costs, and improves data quality.
- Leverages the expanded use of existing government administrative records, implements innovative data collection methods and strategies.
- Supports the Economic Census follow-up activities to review data at detail levels, the release of geographic and product-level data, and beginning planning for the next census.

CURRENT DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS—REQUEST \$130.5M

Protects and Modernizes Key Programs

- Establishes and maintains an infrastructure for improvements to intercensal population estimates, including the estimates base used to develop the annual population estimates.
- Supports the full sample for the SIPP. Continues to identify survey improvements through a field quality monitoring program providing cross-survey analytics.
- Implements an online panel to support collection of data for production and research purposes via the Census Bureau's Household Panel program.

DECENNIAL CENSUS—REQUEST \$399.0M

Builds the 2030 Census Program

- Transitions from the Design Selection Phase into the Development and Integration Phase for the 2030 Census program.

- Prepares and ensures readiness for the 2026 Census Test, which is a major operational viability test.
- Ensures major contracts are in place to support the 2026 test, and operations later in the decade.

AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY (ACS)—REQUEST \$255.6M

Protects and Modernizes Key Programs

- Provides annual, detailed, community-level, demographic and socioeconomic estimates for the ACS.
- Continues research and testing of question wording on topics related to sexual orientation and gender identity.

GEOGRAPHIC SUPPORT—REQUEST \$113.9M

Protects and Modernizes Key Programs

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

ENTERPRISE DATA COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION SYSTEMS—REQUEST \$268.8M

Continues Investments in 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 10 additional surveys.
- Continues integration with the Business Ecosystem to provide a holistic operations and data ecosystem.
- Enables cloud-based processing and data storage capabilities.

Invests in Crosscutting Research Techniques

- Partners with NIST to help leverage privacy-enhancing technologies to protect the privacy of Americans against AI threats.

Protects and Modernizes Key Programs

- Funds the Administrative Records Clearinghouse to acquire administrative records, which serve as fundamental inputs into the Census Bureau's data-linkage infrastructure and reducing respondent burden.