



Annotated Webography of Selected Internet Sites with Demographic and Planning Data

(a work in progress)

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Sites Hosted by State of Wisconsin Agencies

State of Wisconsin Agency Portal

http://www.wisconsin.gov/state/core/agency_index.html

Badger is the State of Wisconsin's information server and a starting point to guide you to the many resources available from Wisconsin state agencies, departments and other governmental branches. It also provides links to information resources at the University of Wisconsin campuses, as well as sources from other states and the Federal government.

Wisconsin Demographic Services Center

<http://www.doa.state.wi.us/dhir/boir/demographic/>

Provides demographic data for Wisconsin including Wisconsin geography, population projections and estimates and other Census information. Allows access to the official Wisconsin Department of Administration population estimates for all Wisconsin municipalities and counties.

Wisconsin Agricultural Statistics

<http://www.nass.usda.gov/wi/index.htm>

Agricultural statistical reports that include county estimates of farming and land use, crop weather, dairy, field crops, land sales, livestock, miscellaneous, and vegetable topics. County level data from the Census of Agriculture.

1999-2000 Wisconsin Blue Book

<http://www.legis.state.wi.us/lrb/bb/index.html>

The 1999-2000 Wisconsin Blue Book is comprised of 13 sections and almost 1,000 pages. The Blue Book is filled with information and data about Wisconsin, its counties and communities in Adobe Acrobat PDF format. The table of contents helps simplify viewing and facilitate access.

Wisconsin Department of Commerce - Fast Facts About Wisconsin

<http://www.commerce.state.wi.us/mt/mt%2Dcom%2d0005.html>

Supplies data and profiles about Wisconsin communities, business, economic profiles, quality of life, tax structure, and economic incentives.

Wisconsin Department of Commerce - Information About Wisconsin Communities

<http://www.commerce.state.wi.us/MT/MT-COM-4000.html>

Supplies economic profiles, demographic information about communities and counties from the DOA, workforce profiles, data on quality of life in communities, and 1990 Census data on counties in Wisconsin.

Wisconsin Division of Energy - Energy Statistical Data

http://www.doa.state.wi.us/depb/boe/publications/energy_stats.asp

Provides highlights of Wisconsin's energy use and statistical information on energy use by category, expenditures for energy, energy efficiency indices, and annual costs of fuel by category.

Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services

<http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/>

This site includes a variety of demographic data including: Population Estimates, Death Rates, Birth Rates, Local Data, Medical Data, and Other Data. Information can be gathered for certain years by the State, Region, and County levels.

Wisconsin Division of Housing & Intergovernmental Relations

<http://www.doa.state.wi.us/dhir/index.asp>

Mission is to improve housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income households. Informational resources on this site are available in the following areas: providing state-funded housing grants or loans through local organizations; channeling federal housing funds to local housing groups; coordinating housing programs with those of other state and local housing agencies; developing state housing policy; and providing housing information and technical assistance.

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/>

Provides statistics and GIS coverage for land use and environmental issues in Wisconsin.

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

<http://www.dpi.state.wi.us/>

Provides a searchable index of statistics on education and public instruction in Wisconsin.

Wisconsin Department of Revenue Statistical Reports/Data

<http://www.dor.state.wi.us/html/stats.html>

Statistical reports and data collected by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue, organized in an A to Z topic selection. Provides access to county and municipality data such as County Sales Tax Distributions 1986-1999, 1997 County, City, Village & Town Indebtedness, 1998 Town, Village, City, County Equalized Value; Debt Limit Values,

County Personal Income, and Wisconsin Municipal Per Return Income Report for 1997 (AGI).

Wisconsin Department of Transportation

<http://www.dot.state.wi.us/>

Provides data about the following topics in transportation: General Information, Drivers and Vehicles, Roads and Highways, Programs and Services, News Releases, and Doing Business.

Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development - Labor Market Information

<http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/lmi/>

Labor market information that includes the topics: County Workforce Profiles, Employment, Unemployment, Wages, Plant Closings and Mass Layoffs, National and Other Sources for LMI, Labor Market, Program Explanations, and Publications and Products. Data and reports for Wisconsin counties.

Wisconsin County Workforce Profiles

http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/lmi/cp_pdf/cp_mainx.htm

Profile includes narrative, tables, and charts detailing county-level labor markets in the State of Wisconsin. Each profile contains data on the following subjects: County Population, Largest Industries and Employers, Industry Change, Commuting Patterns, and Wages and Income.

Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development - Covered Employment and Wages

http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/lmi/employ_industry.htm

Average monthly industry employment data for area, ownership, and/or industry.

Wisconsin Profiles

<http://www.census.gov/datamap/www/55.html>

U.S. Census Bureau page that gives demographic profiles of counties in Wisconsin.

United States Census Bureau Sites

U.S. Census Bureau

<http://www.census.gov/>

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1990 Census Lookup

<http://venus.census.gov/cdrom/lookup>

Data down to the census block group level from the 1990 Census. Allows user to select and extract data on population counts and many socio-economic variables from Summary Tape File 1A & 1C (basis data and population counts) and Summary Tape File 3A, 3B, & 3C (detailed demographic characteristics). Also, provides access to STF1 and STF3 technical documentation and data descriptions.

Subjects A to Z Index

<http://www.census.gov/main/www/subjects.html>

Provides an alphabetical subjects index of all data and research available from the Census Bureau. User can "jump" to selected content areas such as race, households, income, education, or aging to get access to reports or data.

American FactFinder

http://factfinder.census.gov/java_prod/dads.ui.homePage.HomePage

American FactFinder is a new data access and dissemination system that provides useful facts and information about your community, your economy, and your society. The system will find and retrieve the information you need from some of the Census Bureau's largest data sets.

Census Bureau Population and Household Economic Topics

<http://www.census.gov/population/www>

Provides detailed information about a large number of population topics and household economics.

County Population Census Counts 1900-1990

<http://www.census.gov/population/www/censusdata/cencounts.html>

Provides access to county population census counts for each state from 1900 to 1990.

Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates

<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/saipe.html>

Allows someone to select a specific statistic for every state or an individual state in a model income year. County level data on estimates of number of persons in poverty and median household income for 1995-1998 are presented.

Population, Land Area, and Poverty Data for 1990 Census Tracts

<http://www.census.gov/geo/www/ezstate/poverty.html>

Provides access to tables for 1990 census tracts within each state on population, land area and poverty data.

Households and Families

<http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/hh-fam.html>

Demographic characteristics of households and families are collected annually in the March Current Population Survey (CPS) for the Nation. Detailed information from recent surveys and historical trends in selected topics are listed on this site.

Sites Hosted by Federal Departments and Agencies

Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA)

<http://www.bea.doc.gov/>

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) provides the most comprehensive statistical picture available of the U.S. economy. It develops, prepares and analyzes the economic accounts of the United States. BEA's national, regional and international economic accounts provide access to basic data on such key issues as economic growth, regional development and the nation's role in the world economy. This site has data for counties and metropolitan statistical areas.

Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)

<http://www.bls.gov/>

Supplies labor statistics in the following categories: Most Requested Series, Selective Access, News Releases, Series Report, FTP Site, and Economy at a Glance

Bureau of Transportation Statistics

<http://www.bts.gov/>

BTS compiles, analyzes, and makes accessible information on the Nation's transportation systems; collects information on intermodal transportation and other areas as needed; and works to enhance the quality and effectiveness of government statistics.

Current Population Survey (CPS) Main Page

<http://www.bls.census.gov/cps/cpsmain.htm>

The CPS is the primary source of information on the labor force characteristics of the U.S. population. The sample provides estimates for the nation as a whole and serves as part of model-based estimates for individual states and other geographic areas. Estimates obtained from the CPS include employment, unemployment, earnings, hours of work, and other indicators. They are available by a variety of demographic characteristics including age, sex, race, marital status, and educational attainment. They are also available by occupation, industry, and class of worker.

1997 Economic Census

<http://www.census.gov/epcd/www/econ97.html>

The Economic Census, from the Census Bureau, offers extensive data, as well as narrative summaries, for most sectors of the United States economy in 1997. Data from 1992 Economic Census are also available.

FedStats

<http://www.fedstats.gov/>

The Federal Interagency Council on Statistical Policy maintains this site to provide easy access to the full range of statistics and information produced by Federal agencies for public use.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - The 2002 HHS Poverty Guidelines

<http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/02poverty.htm>

The poverty guidelines are a version of the federal poverty measure. They are issued each year in the Federal Register by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The guidelines are a simplification of the poverty thresholds for use for administrative purposes--for instance, determining financial eligibility for certain federal programs.

Department of Agriculture (USDA)

<http://www.usda.gov/>

Provides access for a number of specific sites of interest in agriculture and research.

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS)

<http://www.usda.gov/nass/>

NASS publications cover a wide range of subjects, from traditional crops, such as corn and wheat, to specialties, such as mushrooms and flowers; from calves born to hogs slaughtered; from agricultural prices to land in farms. The abundance of information produced has earned for NASS employees the title, "The Fact Finders of Agriculture." This site provides access to data from the 1997 Census of Agriculture.

Agricultural Research Services (ARS)

<http://www.ars.usda.gov/>

Deals in detail with research in agriculture and gives a number of links to follow to get the desired information.

Economic Research Service (ERS)

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/>

The Economic Research Service provides economic analysis on efficiency, efficacy, and equity issues related to agriculture, food, the environment, and rural development to improve public and private decision making.

Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS)

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/>

The FAS collects, analyzes, and disseminates information about global supply and demand, trade trends, and emerging market opportunities.

Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/>

FNS works in partnership with the States in all its programs. States determine most administrative details regarding distribution of food benefits and eligibility of participants, and FNS provides funding to cover most of the States' administrative costs. Provides data and analysis of child nutrition programs, food stamp programs, and WIC.

Forest Service (FS)

<http://www.fs.fed.us/>

Provides links to forestry data and statistics relevant to forest management and other topics in resource management. Click on Library for access to databases.

National Agricultural Library

<http://www.nalusda.gov/>

As the Nation's primary source for agricultural information, the National Agricultural Library (NAL) has a mission to increase the availability and utilization of agricultural information for researchers, educators, policymakers, consumers of agricultural products, and the public. The Library is one of the world's largest and most accessible agricultural research libraries and plays a vital role in supporting research, education, and applied agriculture.

Farm Service Agency (FSA)

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/default.asp>

The Farm Service Agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture ensures the well-being of American agriculture, the environment, and the American public through efficient and equitable administration of farm commodity programs; farm ownership, operating and emergency loans; conservation and environmental programs; emergency and disaster assistance; domestic and international food assistance and international export credit programs. Site provides data and reports on supported programs and resources.

Rural Development

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/>

USDA Rural Development is committed to helping improve the economy and quality of life in all of rural America. This site provides access to data and information about rural cooperatives, rural utilities, rural community development, and rural housing.

Department of Commerce (DOC)

<http://www.doc.gov/>

Contains links to the sites listed below.

Bureau of the Census

<http://www.census.gov/>

The preeminent collector and provider of timely, relevant, and quality data about the people and economy of the United States. (See separate listing for Census Bureau.)

Economics and Statistics Administration (ESA)

<http://www.esa.doc.gov/>

ESA develops economic policy and describes major demographic trends. Important economic indicators and data produced by ESA include retail sales, housing starts and foreign trade. The agency also provides data on broader measures such as gross domestic product, foreign investment and personal income by state.

National Environmental Data Index (NEDI)

<http://www.nedi.gov/>

The National Environmental Data Index (NEDI) provides direct access to environmental data and information descriptions. The overall goal of the NEDI is to facilitate the use of the widest possible range of environmental data and information to support our ability to protect human health, safety, and welfare.

National Technical Information Service (NTIS)

<http://www.ntis.gov/>

The National Technical Information Service is the Federal Government's central source for the sale of scientific, technical, engineering, and related business data produced by or for the U.S. Government and complementary material from international sources. Nearly 3 million products are available from NTIS in a variety of formats, including microfiche, paper, diskette, audiovisual, CD-ROM, and online.

Herbert C. Hoover Building Library

<http://www.osec.doc.gov/lib/>

The collection consists of books and periodicals in the following subject areas or categories: business, economics, international trade, management, telecommunications and selected U.S. Census publications; foreign telephone directories; CD-ROM products (corporate directories, journal and newspaper indexes, social and economic data); online resources (Knight-Ridder, Datatimes, NEXIS, Dow Jones, and Dun and Bradstreet). The Library is a selective government depository. Access to library resources is available by author, title, or keyword.

STAT-USA

<http://www.stat-usa.gov/stat-usa.html>

STAT-USA/Internet, a service of the U.S. Department of Commerce, is the site for the U.S. business, economic and trade community, providing authoritative data from the Federal government.

Department of Education

<http://www.ed.gov/>

The Department of Education shares the latest research findings, statistics, and information on education with parents, teachers, school board members, policy makers, and the general public in order to help state and local decision makers improve their schools.

National Center for Education Statistics (NCES)

<http://nces.ed.gov/>

The National Center for Education Statistics fulfills a Congressional mandate to collect, collate, analyze, and report complete statistics on the condition of American education; conduct and publish reports; and review and report on education activities internationally. Data is available at the school district and school level.

Information Resource Center

<http://www.ed.gov/offices/OIIA/IRC/>

This site supplies helpful information about educational statistics. Click on Find Information and then go to Statistical Information.

Office of Non-Public Education

<http://www.ed.gov/offices/OIIA/NonPublic/>

The three functions of the Office of Non-Public Education are: To foster maximum participation of non-public school students in all federal education programs for which they are eligible; to recommend to the Secretary changes in law, regulations, or policies that would increase the availability of educational services to non-public school students; and to review departmental programs and procedures to ensure that services for non-public school students are provided as required by law.

Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI)

<http://www.ed.gov/offices/OERI/index.html>

OERI strives to promote excellence and equity in American education conducting research and demonstration projects funded through grants to help improve education. This site provides statistics on the status and progress of schools and education throughout the nation; and distributes information and provides technical assistance to those working to improve education.

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

<http://www.os.dhhs.gov/>

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is one of the largest federal departments, the nation's largest health insurer, and the largest grant-making agency in the federal government. The Department promotes and protects the health and well-being of all Americans and provide world leadership in biomedical and public health sciences. HHS accomplishes these objectives through an array of programs in basic and applied science, public health, income support, child development, and the financing and regulation of health and social services.

Administration on Aging (AoA)

<http://www.aoa.dhhs.gov/>

AoA is a Federal agency that has the single charge of serving the nation's 43 million seniors. With a network of 670 Area Agencies on Aging, 57 Territorial and State Units on Aging, 270 tribes and native organizations and over 27,000 service providers, AOA calls on some of the foremost experts in the planning, coordination and administration of services. This site provides data and information for developing resources, providing advocacy, and delivering services to the elderly and long term care populations.

National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS)

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/>

The intent of this site is to provide users access to the health information that NCHS produces. Users can browse the publications and statistical tables, download selected public-use data files, conduct on-line database queries and searches in Wonder, track progress toward Healthy People 2000 Objectives, or access FASTATS from A-Z.

U.S. Welfare Caseloads Information

<http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/news/tables.htm>

Detailed tables, graphs and other materials describing welfare caseloads in the U.S.

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

<http://www.hud.gov/>

HUD has a wide array of programs to help people buy homes, to create affordable rental housing, to spur community and economic development, and to enforce fair housing laws.

HUD Policy Development and Research (PD&R)

<http://www.huduser.org/>

HUD USER is the primary source for Federal Government reports and information on housing policy and programs, building technology, economic development, urban planning, and other housing-related topics.

Department of the Interior

<http://www.doi.gov/subject.html>

The mission of the Department of the Interior is to protect and provide access to our Nation's natural and cultural heritage and honor our trust responsibilities to tribes.

United States Geological Survey (USGS)

<http://www.usgs.gov/>

The USGS serves the Nation by providing reliable scientific information to describe and understand the Earth. This site provides access to maps, coverages and data that can help build local GIS capacity.

Geospatial Information Center

<http://www.blm.gov/gis/>

The purpose of this page is to consolidate access to information about GIS which may be useful to the GIS community.

Department of Justice

<http://www.usdoj.gov/index.html>

Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS)

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/welcome.html>

BJS collects, analyzes, publishes, and disseminates information on crime, criminal offenders, victims of crime, and the operation of justice systems at all levels of government.

Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS)

<http://www.ins.usdoj.gov/graphics/index.htm>

This page provides comprehensive annual immigration statistics from 1994-1996, as well as state estimates of the United States' illegal alien resident and foreign-born populations. This site provides access to data for states and some metropolitan areas.

Justice Information Center

<http://www.ncjrs.org/>

This site provides Criminal Justice Statistics and links to other sites that have to do with law, justice and crime by state and county.

Department of Labor (DOL)

<http://www.dol.gov/>

Department's activities include, protecting workers' wages, health and safety, employment and pension rights; promoting equal employment opportunity; administering job training, unemployment insurance and workers' compensation programs; and collecting, analyzing and publishing labor and economic statistics.

Department of State

U.S. Federal Depository Library

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/locators/findlibs/index.html

National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

<http://www.nara.gov/index.html>

NARA is an independent Federal agency that helps preserve our nation's history by overseeing the management of all Federal records. This site provides electronic public access to records and services.

FCIC National Contact Center

<http://www.info.gov/>

The FCIC contact center is a single point of contact for people who have questions about Federal agencies, programs, and services.

U.S. Government Printing Office Access Page

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/index.html

GPO Access provides free online use of over 1,000 databases of Federal information in over 70 applications. A general search page provides the opportunity for searching one or multiple GPO Access databases from a single page, while specialized search pages allow you to perform more detailed searches.

Department of Transportation (DOT)

<http://www.dot.gov/>

The Department of Transportation serves as the focal point in the Federal Government for the coordinated national Transportation Policy. It is responsible for transportation safety improvements and enforcement, international transportation agreements and the continuity of transportation services in the public interest.

National Transit Database

<http://www.fta.dot.gov/ntl/database.html>

Provides detailed profiles and data tables dealing with transit information from 1993.

Department of the Treasury

<http://www.ustreas.gov/>

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

<http://www.irs.ustreas.gov/>

This site provides a wealth of information about the financial composition of individuals, business taxpayers, tax exempt organizations and more. Data available on this site has been sampled from all kinds of returns and is presented in commonly asked for ways.

Statistics of Income (SOI)

http://www.irs.ustreas.gov/tax_stats/index.html

The Statistics of Income (SOI) program produces data files compiled from tax and information returns filed with the IRS.

Gateways and Public Data Sites

Gateways

DPLS - University of Wisconsin

<http://dpls.dacc.wisc.edu/internet.html>

The Data and Public Library Service program at the University of Wisconsin, Madison provides a site called "Internet Crossroads in the Social Sciences" which contains over 650 annotated links to data-related resources on the Internet.

Center for Demography and Ecology - University of Wisconsin

<http://www.ssc.wisc.edu/cde/>

The Center for Demography and Ecology at the University of Wisconsin, Madison

Population Studies Center - University of Michigan

<http://www.psc.isr.umich.edu/>

The Population Studies Center at the University of Michigan provides access to their own vast archive of demographic data and also provides numerous links to other sites serving demographic data.

SSDC - University of California, San Diego

[http://odwin.ucsd.edu/cgi-](http://odwin.ucsd.edu/cgi-bin/easy_search2?search=getdata&file=/data/data.html&print=notitle&header=/header/data.header)

[bin/easy_search2?search=getdata&file=/data/data.html&print=notitle&header=/header/data.header](http://odwin.ucsd.edu/cgi-bin/easy_search2?search=getdata&file=/data/data.html&print=notitle&header=/header/data.header)

The Social Science Data Collection at the University of California, San Diego provides a site called "Social Science Data on the Net" which provides links to hundreds of sites with downloadable demographic and economic data.

Econdata.net

<http://www.econdata.net/>

EconData.Net is designed to help practitioners, researchers, students, and other data users quickly gain access to relevant state and substate socioeconomic data. The site aims to be a convenient, comprehensive first stop for anyone searching among the vast, disparate array of public and private data sources on the Web. The site is divided into eight parts: Links By Subject; Links by Provider; What's New; Ten Best Sites; Data Collections; Quick Links; Registration; User's Guide.

Public Data Sites

UW Cooperative Extension - WisStat

<http://dev.cf.uwex.edu/wp2k/wp2khome.cfm>

WisStat is an interactive information retrieval system that contains thousands of demographic and economic variables for the state of Wisconsin, its counties and municipalities. (Beta version currently available)

UW Cooperative Extension - Family Living Program Resource Center

<http://www1.uwex.edu/ces/flp/apps/flrc>

A compendium of informational resources and program planning data for the Family Living Program. Provides demographic data for Wisconsin counties including data on population, age structure, households, and income. (Note: password required)

Government Information Sharing Project - Oregon State University

<http://govinfo.kerr.orst.edu/>

The Government Information Sharing Project provides demographic, economic and education data in searchable databases for all states and most counties. Includes information from the 1990 Census, the Economic Census, Census of Agriculture, Regional Economic Information System, U.S. Census Bureau estimates programs, and the 1990 School District Data Book.

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