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The logo for the State Data Center (SDC) features the letters "SDC" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. The "S" and "D" are connected, and the "C" is separate. Below the letters is a thin red horizontal line.

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ARIZONA STATE DATA CENTER ANNUAL UPDATE FOR THE 2024 ANNUAL MEETING

The Arizona State Data Center (SDC) Network consists of one lead agency, four coordinating agencies, and twelve affiliate agencies. The network totals twenty-two agencies involved with the dissemination of Census Bureau data and with other activities in partnership with the U.S. Census Bureau.

One of the informational metrics which the U.S. Census Bureau tracks is the number and variety of requests that the State Data Center Network addresses. The Arizona SDC Lead office collected the following information and it reflects the Arizona SDC network's activities for the 2023 calendar year:

Arizona State Data Center Network 2023 Annual Report

- Total of 282 Reported Requests
- 110 Government Requests
- 36 Business Requests
- 45 Requests from Academic/Research
- 20 Community-Based/Non-Profit Requests
- 20 Requests from Private Citizens
- 36 Media Requests
- 15 Other Requests

Our network continues to meet its mission of providing efficient access to U.S. Census Bureau data and data products. The Arizona State Data Center reported 282 requests serviced.

The network response rate or percentage of affiliates reporting for calendar year 2023 was 70%. Although this percentage is higher than previous years, it is indicative of the loss of several member organizations since 2020. We greatly appreciate those affiliates who were able to meet their obligation of submitting an annual report to the lead agency.

National State Data Center Program Update

The following points highlight some important activities that have been undertaken by the U.S. Census Bureau and the National State Data Center Network since October 2023 to present:

- The National State Data Center Program did report activity for the calendar 2023 year. Unfortunately, those numbers are not yet available from the Census Bureau.
- National State Data Center Steering Committee Elections, January 2024. There were four candidates seeking election, for three open seats on the SDC Steering Committee.

Candidates	Election Result
Katie Springer (Indiana)	Katie Springer (Indiana) Second Term
Alfred Sundara (Maryland)	Alfred Sundara (Maryland) Second Term
Dr. Lawanda Cummings (U.S. Virgin Islands)	Dr. Leslie Reynolds (New York) New Term
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- National State Data Center Annual Conference, July 16, 17, & 18, 2024. This year’s conference was an in-person annual conference, held in Charlotte, North Carolina. The meetings were held over two and a half days. Some of the topics included remarks from Director Santos, a forward look into the 2030 Decennial Census, and the American Community Survey Update. Also, the conference held discussions on Race & Ethnicity, the Annual Integrated Economic Survey (AIES), Census Geography Grids, Experimental and Statistical Products Updates, a look at Poverty and Income data sources, and the National SDC Business Meeting.
- Randy Gustafson Award – July 2024 Conference. The Gustafson Award was established in 2012 in remembrance of one of our dear colleagues, Randy Gustafson, from the Tennessee SDC. The Gustafson Award was created to honor outstanding contributions to the SDC network. The national SDC network was proud to award Jennifer Shultz with the Gustafson Award in appreciation for her outstanding work and advocacy as lead of the Pennsylvania State Data Center at Pennsylvania State University.
- On September 14, 2023, the Arizona Office of Economic Opportunity, State Demographer’s Office, published it’s 2023-2060 Sub-County Population Projections for Incorporated Places.
- On December 14, 2023, the Arizona Office of Economic Opportunity, State Demographer’s Office, published it’s 2023 Population Estimates for Arizona, it’s Counties, and Incorporated Places.
- On August 1, 2024, The U.S. Census Bureau released 2020 Census counts of households, along with information on household type and tenure (whether the home is owned or rented) for 300 detailed race and ethnicity groups and 1,187 American Indian and Alaska Native tribes and villages. The 2020 Census Detailed Demographic and Housing Characteristics File B (Detailed DHC-B) provides household information based on the race or ethnicity of the householder (the first adult in a household for whom census responses were provided).

In conclusion, we continue to encourage each affiliate organization to continue their commitment to provide efficient access to U.S. Census Bureau data and data products, provide training and technical assistance to data users, and provide a mechanism for feedback to the Census Bureau on data usability, state and local government data needs, and operational issues. Please feel free to call upon your lead agency with any comments, needs, and/or ideas that will further education of data usage in our state, and further the use of Census Bureau data and data products for Arizona. Thank you all for your great work as we look forward to more progress in 2025.



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