The Pennsylvania State Data Center (PaSDC) was established in 1981 by Executive Order of the Governor to serve as the Commonwealth’s official source of population and socio-economic statistics. The PaSDC also serves as the state’s liaison to the Census Bureau and as the representative to the Federal-State Cooperative Programs for Population Estimates and Projections.

**The Institute of State and Regional Affairs**

The Institute of State and Regional Affairs (ISRA) has been a vital force in Pennsylvania since it was established at Penn State Harrisburg in 1973. The Institute was created as a means of connecting Penn State Harrisburg with the state capital community. The primary role of ISRA is to further the University’s public service and applied research mission by using Penn State’s interdisciplinary resources and approaches in undertaking projects that serve the public interest.

As a college-wide applied research institute, ISRA falls under the jurisdiction of the Associate Dean for Research.

Although the specific activities of ISRA have changed over the past years, its strong, unrivaled commitment to applied social science research and public service has remained constant. Four staffed centers comprise the Institute.

**THE STATE DATA CENTER NETWORK**

The State Data Center Program is a national cooperative program with the U.S. Census Bureau. Data Centers in each state assist the Bureau by disseminating Census data and other federal data sets and information.

Each Data Center has an internal statewide affiliate network to further assist in disseminating data to local users. These affiliates also have local information and expertise to offer. A full listing of affiliates can be obtained from the PaSDC and its website.

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The Pennsylvania State Data Center provides data and products and services to all sectors of the community. Whether business, academia, governments, non-profits or private citizens, all utilize data and information for decision-making purposes. Our products and services are used in marketing, economic development initiatives, service provision, public policy formulation and evaluation, community planning, grant writing, business start-ups and much more.

AVAILABE INFORMATION

Geographic Levels of Data and Census Maps:
- Nation
- State
- Metropolitan Statistical Area
- County
- Municipality
- Census Tract
- Census Block Group or Census Block
- Congressional, Senate and House District
- School District
- Zip Code
- Radial Searches

Sources of Information (Not Limited to):
- Decennial Census: Population, Housing, Socio-Economic Characteristics
- Economic Census
- American Community Survey
- Migration Files
- Equal Employment Opportunity Files
- Current Population Survey
- Population Estimates
- Population Projections
- National Center for Education Statistics
- Federal, State, and Local Agencies

PRODUCTS AND SERVICES:

INFORMATION AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE:
- Inquiries and Consultation on Geographic Concepts, Data Definitions
- Profiles and Tables
- Public Library
- Homepage
- Customized Data Analysis and Reports
- Library and Internet Research
- Research Briefs
- Newsletter
- CD-ROM Pressing

MAPping SERVICES:
- Statistical Maps and Graphics
- Census Reference Maps

PUBLICATIONS:
- Pennsylvania Abstract
- Pennsylvania County Data Book Series
- Detailed County Population Estimates
- PaSDC Statistical Reports
- PaSDC Analytical Reports
- Detailed County Population Projections
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