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Helpful Websites

The Annie E. Casey Foundation

www.aecf.org

The Annie E. Casey Foundation home page provides useful information about American youth. This organization produces several publications that might be helpful for local market research efforts.

The Center for Education Reform

www.edreform.com

This site contains the number of chartered schools with enrollment data by state.

Center for Women's Business Research

info@womensbusinessresearch.org

www.womensbusinessresearch.org

This site is a source of information about women business owners and their enterprises.

Children's Defense Fund

cdinfo@childrensdefense.org

www.childrensdefense.org

This website contains information on a variety of issues affecting children. Child health care, child care, and education are a few of the topics covered.

The Independent Sector

www.independentsector.org

This website indicates the level of volunteerism and charity in the United States, and governance and public tax information.

Join Together

info@jointogether.org

www.drugfree.org/jointogether.org

Join Together, a collaboration of the Boston University School of Public Health and the Partnership at Drugfree.org, provides information on teenage drug abuse and gun violence. The site also provides a list of grants available for programs that address drug abuse and gun violence, as well as a list of resources on these subjects.

GfK Roper Custom Research North America

info@gfkamerica.com

www.gfkamerica.com

GfK is a leading consumer market research organization. Their site contains information from a variety of research studies, including the GfK Roper Youth Report.

The Urban Institute

www.urban.org

This site contains research data on various social and public policy issues such as poverty, education, unemployment, crime, youth development, and welfare reform.



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U.S. Government Sources of Current Data

American Fact Finder

factfinder2.census.gov

This Census Bureau site provides updated demographic information by state, county, city, or zip code.

Bureau of Justice Statistics

www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs

The Bureau of Justice Statistics collects data from a number of surveys and from administrative sources, including the Uniform Crime Reports.

Bureau of Labor Statistics

stats.bls.gov

This home page has an extensive menu of sites for current social (especially labor) and economic data, including unemployment rates and consumer price index information.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

www.cdc.gov

The CDC is the major clearinghouse for information on the current prevalence of disease and various health conditions and efforts at their control and prevention.

Consumer Expenditure Surveys

stats.bls.gov/cex

A program that consists of two surveys, the Quarterly Interview Survey and the Diary Survey, that provide information on the purchasing patterns of the U.S. population.

Corporation for National and Community Service

www.nationalservice.gov

www.nationalservice.gov/about/role_impact/performance_research.asp

In collaboration with the U.S. Census Bureau and the nonprofit coalition Independent Sector, the Corporation for National and Community Service conducts research on volunteering in America, including state and city trends and rankings.

Current Population Survey (CPS)

www.census.gov/cps

A description of the monthly data from the current versions of the CPS is available at this site.

Kids.Gov

www.kids.gov

The official kids' portal for the U.S. government, this website has links to the government's and other kids' sites for fun and education.

Map Stats

quickfacts.census.gov

U.S. Bureau of the Census state and county statistics, including type of household, race, population, school enrollment, and employment can be found on this website.

National Center for Education Statistics (NCES)

nces.ed.gov

The NCES is the major source of educational statistics in the United States, including data from population surveys, longitudinal studies, surveys of educational establishments, and various kinds of administrative data.

National Center for Health Statistics

www.cdc.gov/nchs

This site includes vital statistics data, including current data on births, deaths, marriages, infant mortality, and other topics. The home page provides current major surveys of American health.

National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES)

www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhanes

The National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) is a program of studies designed to assess the health and nutritional status of adults and children in the United States. The survey is unique in that it combines interviews and physical examinations. NHANES is a major program of the National Center of Health Statistics.



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National Household Education Surveys Program (NHES)

nces.ed.gov/nhes

This survey, conducted in 2007, had two different parts: School Readiness, and Parent and Family Involvement in Education and School Readiness.

Pew Hispanic Center

www.pewhispanic.org

This website contains information on the growing impact of the U.S. Hispanic population.

Pew Research Center

www.pewresearch.org

This website provides numbers, facts, and trends shaping the United States and the world, including information about new immigrants and generations.

Population Reference Bureau

www.prb.org

The Population Reference Bureau provides U.S. and world population data. It also provides links to state data including population, economics, crime, education, and environmental information.

U.S. Bureau of the Census

www.census.gov

This home page provides a basic introduction to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, the current state of Census 2010, various press releases, subscription information, and more. It has links to many other major sources of U.S. census data.

U.S. Department of Agriculture

www.usda.gov

This site contains information regarding the cost of raising children. The costs are broken into categories such as childcare, transportation, and housing. Differing costs are also estimated for single-parent and dual-parent families.

U.S. Department of Justice

www.justice.gov/defendingchildhood

Here you will find information on youth violence, victims of crimes, safe community initiative, and domestic violence.

Data Archives of U.S. Census and Survey Statistics

Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)

www.icpsr.umich.edu

Located at the Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, ICPSR is a membership-based, nonprofit scholarly organization with the most extensive archive of computerized social science data in the world. These include vast U.S. census data holdings, including many decennial censuses, many of the surveys mentioned in this listing, the City and County Data Books, and a limited supply of foreign census materials.

NOAA Coastal Services Center

www.csc.noaa.gov

The Coastal Services Center collects information on oceanography, meteorology, and the like. It is a resource of census data for anyone with an interest in recent American social or economic history.



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