Census Data Literacy

Digging into Local and Family History with Census Data

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The Census Data Literacy project is an initiative of PLA in partnership with ALA’s Public Policy and Advocacy Office. It aims to build data literacy skills among library staff to enhance their services, programs, and initiatives with the overall goal of promoting awareness and use of Census data in their communities.

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Census Data Literacy: Resource Guide

- What is data literacy? Why is it important?
- What types of data are available from the U.S. Census Bureau?
- Where can I find the data?
- How can I learn more about using Census data?

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Using the Census for Family and Local History: A Resource Guide for Public Libraries

- Census Facts
- Who Counts?
- Resources: An Annotated List
  - History of the Census
  - Historical Census Data
  - Historical Census Records
- Making Connections
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