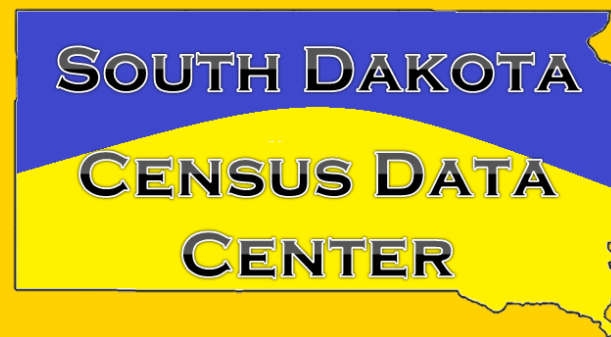




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# Migration doesn't come from the long form anymore

More timely doesn't mean more accurate – but we  
have more sources

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## SOI Tax Stats - County-to-County Migration Data Files



State and county migration statistics will continue to be produced and posted on this site. Statistics for 1990 through 2010 are currently available. Statistics for 2011 will be posted as soon as they are completed. In addition, work is underway at IRS and the Bureau of the Census to develop additional migration statistics that take advantage of improved data that have recently become available.

Data files are available for download in two formats:

- Generic ASCII data files (.dat file extension) - These require a record layout to read.
- Comma Separated Values files (.csv file extension) - Data items are separated by commas, where each new line represents a new row.

### Documentation

[Migration Data Users Guide](#)

[Record layouts—Required for .dat files](#)

### County-to-County Inflow

.dat File

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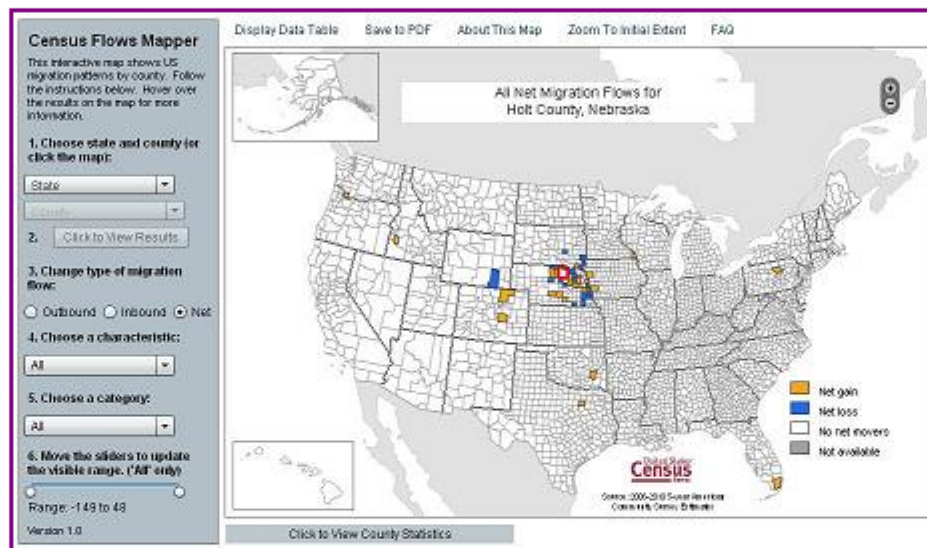
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## Census Flows Mapper - Beta

The Census Flows Mapper is a web mapping application intended to provide users with a simple interface to view, save, and print migration flows maps of the United States. The data are from the 2006-2010 American Community Survey.

Please click on the image or link below to launch the application.



[Launch the Census Flows Mapper](#)

### Application Requirements:

- To view this application, you will need the [Adobe Flash Player](#) available for **free** from Adobe.
- To save and print a map, you will need the [Adobe® Reader®](#) available for **free** from Adobe.



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million Americans move from one county to another. Migration rates vary by age, race, and ethnicity and with local economic conditions over time. Still, individual age-specific migration tend to be consistent over time, telling rich stories about local places. This website provides by providing reliable estimates of net migration rates by age, race, Hispanic-origin, and sex for all U.S. counties from 2000 to 2010.

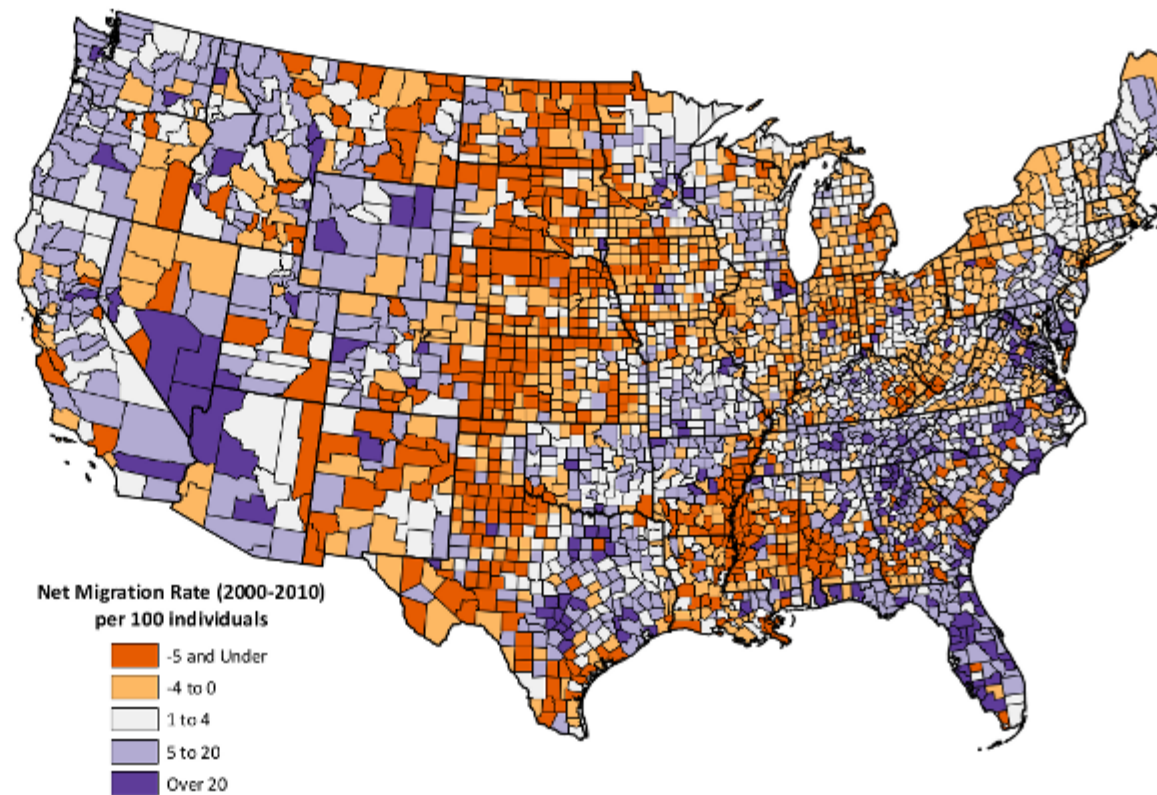
How to make maps and charts that allow you to visualize migration patterns. Charts make it easy to compare migration rates within a single county or to compare patterns in two counties for the same decade. Maps show how migration rates in one country compare to one another. The data [download](#) migration data as well as census data for

is this website useful. Please [contact us](#) with any comments.

For more about these data and the methods used to

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[http://appliedpoplab.wisc.edu/](#)>.



# The Three Factors of Demography

- Birth
- Death
- Migration

# We lack precise timely measurements of Migration

- Tax returns are consistent and timely
  - The problem is that not everyone files, and folks move from dependent to taxpayer status
- American Community Survey data is consistent and timely
  - The problem is that the survey methodology includes a high margin of error, and that increases in rural communities.
  - Another problem is that moving targets are more difficult to hit.

- County to County Migration Flows ACS
  - [http://www.census.gov/hhes/migration/data/acs/county\\_to\\_county\\_mig\\_2006\\_to\\_2010.html](http://www.census.gov/hhes/migration/data/acs/county_to_county_mig_2006_to_2010.html)
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- Census Flows Mapper
  - <http://flowsmapper.geo.census.gov/flowsmapper/flowsmapper.html>
  - Fast, visible, but a high MOE

# We really do need the IRS

- Their Website
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- Official, Reliable, and Cumbersome
- The Tax Foundation's site
  - <http://interactive.taxfoundation.org/migration/>
- The Missouri Answer
  - [http://mcdc.missouri.edu/cgi-bin/broker? PROGRAM=websas.irsmig\\_menu.sas& SERVICE=appdev&st=29](http://mcdc.missouri.edu/cgi-bin/broker? PROGRAM=websas.irsmig_menu.sas& SERVICE=appdev&st=29)

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