

Subject: [AEA] Press Release: Importance of the American Community Survey
for Economic Analysis]]
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For your interest, I am sending to you a recent Press Release by the American Economic Association describing the negative consequences for economic research of eliminating the Census Bureau's American Community Survey, which the U.S. House of Representatives has voted to eliminate. I would also like to note that the House simultaneously voted cuts to the budget of the U.S. Census Bureau which the Administration says "threatens the Bureau's ability to implement Economic Census data collection activities that peak in FY2013, hindering the successful development of critical benchmarks for Gross Domestic Product estimates."

Senate appropriators are currently considering the Census budget.

Sincerely,
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