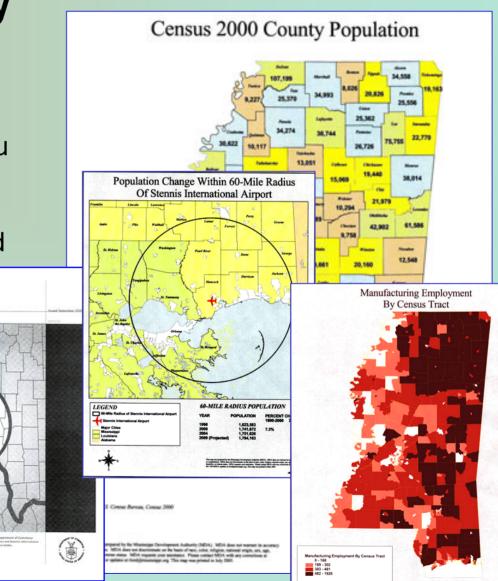
Primary Research...A Luxury

- States with less financial resources are dependent of the data from Census Bureau
- Utilize the data and information for the basic and the not so basic

Mississippi: 2003

 County Business Patterns are a basic tool in our economic development tool chest



Balance Agriculture With Industry (BAWI) 1936

- First state to develop economic development program
- Programs and Incentives duplicated by numerous states
- Moved the state from agricultural economy to manufacturing economy



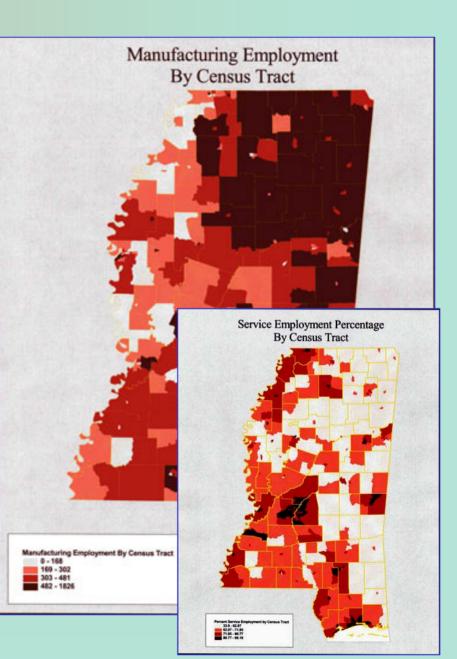
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Census Data Provides State With Primary Insights into Basic and Not-So Basic Information

- Population shifts
- Industry sector composition, movement and changes
- Demographic detail
- Movement of laborers (commuting patterns and times)
- Education Levels
- Etc.



Whole Towns...Gone

- 300 years of development devastated
- Communities with no homes left standing
- Entire populations
 displaced
- Businesses no longer standing



Census data is providing detailed demographic portraits of neighborhoods devastated by winds and waters of Katrina

The Census Bureau Is Utilized As A Research Arm of Our Agency

- ACS Provides Current Data to formulate informed business decisions
- Provides project support data to decision makers
- Levels the data-provision playing field for financially challenged states and communities
- Standardizes data across geographic and political boundaries
- Taxpayer supported



Data Reflecting The Diversity of the Area's Past and Supporting the Engine of Recovery



New Challenges Require Additional Dependency on Census Data

- More than half of Mississippi's counties were declared federal disaster areas
- Data used to provide insight into the past and the future
- Means to track progress of recovery

