

Speaker Biographies
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Linda Akers Smith, Geographer, has been with the Census Bureau since 1995. During the 2010 Census, Linda was the Assistant Regional Census Manager for Geography and Census Coverage Measurement. In this position she was responsible for all census geographic partnership programs and quality measurement operations for the State of Hawaii and nineteen counties in California. For the 2000 Census, Linda held the title of Area Manager and was in charge of decennial data collection activities for five local census offices located in Los Angeles County.

Elaine “Lia” Bolden is a Data Dissemination Specialist serving Northern California and Northern Nevada area. She began her Census career in 1988 where she served as a Community Partnership Specialist for the 1990 Decennial Census in Los Angeles, California. She has an extensive background in outreach and community initiatives with the Census Bureau, serving in the Partnership and Data Services programs for both the 2000 and 2010 Census. During the interim years, Lia held a number of training, consulting, marketing, public and community relations positions which include: Co-Managing Partner of a consulting firm specializing in providing planning, training and project management services to local communities and organizations engaged in community/economic development.



Mary D. McKoy works with the Office of Economic Planning and Innovation at the Census Bureau, where she worked on the Outreach and Communications planning for the 2012 Economic Census. Previously, she worked as a Congressional liaison with Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs. Mary received her BA in Sociology from the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill and her MS in Management from the University of Maryland - University College.

Kari L. Klinedinst works with business survey respondents and data users as a survey statistician in the Customer and Respondent Outreach Branch at the U.S. Census Bureau. Previously she was an analyst on the economic census, specializing in retail trade. Kari has a bachelor's degree in Statistics from Purdue University.



Caroline Danielson is a research fellow at the Public Policy Institute of California. Her research focuses on different dimensions of social safety net programs, including their role in mitigating poverty, access and enrollment, integration, and governance. Before coming to PPIC she was a principal analyst at the University of California's Welfare Policy Research Project and a faculty member in the Department of Politics at the State University of New York, Potsdam. She holds a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Michigan and a M.Phil. in policy analysis from the Pardee RAND graduate school.

Katie Genadek is a research associate and the director of outreach and dissemination at the Minnesota Population Center (MPC). She has been an IPUMS user since 2003 and working on the user support team for at the MPC since 2007. Katie currently manages the IPUMS-USA project and provides user support and training for all MPC data projects. She has a PhD in Applied Economics from the University of Minnesota and uses IPUMS data to perform research in the areas of labor economics and demography.

