

Speaker Biographies
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Mark Asiala is Chief of the American Community Survey (ACS) Estimation Branch in the Decennial Statistical Studies Division of the US Census Bureau. He started working at the Bureau in 1999 in the area of the Census 2000 Accuracy and Coverage Evaluation. Since 2002, he has worked in the statistical design area of the ACS, particularly in the area of ACS weighting and disclosure avoidance. He also has worked in the areas of sampling and variance estimation. Mark has a master's degree in statistics from Georgia State University, a master's degree in mathematics from Purdue University, and a bachelor's degree in mathematics and physics from the University of Michigan.

Tim McMonagle has worked in the Geography Department of the Los Angeles Regional Office for over 20 years. The 2010 Census was his third Decennial Census. He has worked extensively with state, local, and tribal government officials on a variety of Census Geographic programs (Statistical Areas, LUCA, VTD, etc.) Tim is a native of Los Angeles and he earned his bachelor's degree at California State University, Northridge in Geography and Political Science.



Kathleen Short currently works at the Census Bureau as an economist conducting research on improving statistical measures of poverty. She began working in 1984 with the Survey of Income and Program Participation research staff in Population Division after receiving her doctorate in economics from the University of Michigan.

From 1991 to 1999, she served as chief of the Poverty and Health Statistics Branch. Over her career at the Census Bureau, Kathleen has worked primarily in the area of measuring economic well-being — preparing an international database on child well-being and reports on extended measures of well-being, such as material hardship.

She has done extensive work with the Survey of Income and Program Participation, analyzing income and labor force transitions and spells of poverty and health insurance coverage.