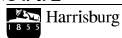# Pa SDC   Research Brief

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PL 94-171 Census Workshops Announced.

MIDDLETOWN, PA-The Pennsylvania State Data Center, in cooperation with its state-wide network of affiliates and the United States Bureau of the Census, is conducting *Census 2000 Workshops* throughout the commonwealth. The purpose of these workshops is to provide information and insight into the recently released Public Law 94-171 data. This data is primarily used for redistricting purposes but also provides a large amount of data that may be used for other interests.

The workshops are designed to last approximately four hours with all parties- the host affiliate, the Data Center and the Bureau of the Census- taking part in the presentation. There is no charge for these workshops.

The agenda for the workshops covers the following areas: background on the Decennial Census and the PL 94-171 release; information on national, state and local trends; input from the host group about local numbers and how the data could impact local communities; a review of future releases by the Census Bureau and their ongoing surveys; products and services of the PaSDC and local affiliates; and a question and answer period.

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The time frame of these workshops is April, May and June of 2001. Confirmed dates and meetings are as follows:

DATE	HOST	LOCATION
April 12th	PaSDC State Affiliate Users Group Meeting	Harrisburg
April 23rd	Department of Public Welfare	Harrisburg
May 1st	SEDA-COG	Lewisburg
May 2nd	Delaware County Planning Commission	Media
May 3rd	Chester Co. Planning Commission	West Chester
June 7th	Lehigh Valley Planning Commission	Allentown

The PaSDC offers many products and services including printed maps, data availability consultation, custom programming and report generation, mapping services, research reports, as well as training workshops, conferences and a tri-annual newsletter.

If you are interested in attending one of the scheduled workshops or hosting a workshop of your own, please contact the Data Center at PaSDC-Reserve@psu.edu or by calling 717.948.6677.

The Pennsylvania State Data Center is the commonwealth's official source of population and economic statistics and services. It is based at Penn State Harrisburg's Institute of State and Regional Affairs. The Pennsylvania State Data Center is part of the U.S. Census Bureau's national State Data Center Program.

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