

# ALFRED SUNDARA

Alfred Sundara is the Assistant Secretary for the State Data & Analysis Center at the Maryland Department of Planning (MDP). He oversees the socioeconomic and geospatial based data collection, mapping and analysis.

He is also responsible for the development of population, employment, and school enrollment projections in Maryland.

Al received his Bachelor of Architecture degree from India and a Master of Regional and Community Planning degree from Kansas State University. Alfred is a certified planner with the American Planning Association (AICP).





# AJANI PIERCE

Ajani Pierce is an economist at the Maryland Department of Labor.

He specializes in labor market information, which includes analyzing the gross domestic product (GDP), employment, unemployment, occupation, industry, and wage data among other statistics.

Ajani is skilled in geospatial analysis and data visualization.

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# BRIANA SULLIVAN

Briana Sullivan is an economist in the Census Bureau's Social, Economic, and Housing Statistics Division. She works on the design, processing, and analysis of wealth and retirement account data in the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP).

Briana received her PhD in Economics from the University of California, San Diego, with research interests in wealth inequality, wage gaps, and criminal justice outcomes.





# EARLENE DOWELL

Earlene Dowell is a Supervisory Program Analyst for the Economic Management Division at the U.S. Census Bureau.

She has been promoting and training people on the Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD) products for over 15 years. LEHD makes available several online applications for dissemination and visualization to the public including Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI), LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics (LODES) and Job-to-Job (J2J).

Ms. Dowell received her Master's degree in Communications, and a Bachelor's degree in Public Relations from Hawaii Pacific University. She has a master's certificate in Business Analysis from Duke University.





# JAMES WHITEHORNE

James Whitehorne currently serves as the Chief of the Census Redistricting and Voting Rights Data Office.

He joined the Census Bureau in 2006 working on several geographic update programs including the Redistricting Data Program and the Participant Statistical Areas Program. Prior to working for the Census Bureau, he worked for five years in the Geographic Information Systems support group for the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice.

James holds both a Bachelor of Arts in Geography and a Bachelor of Science in Geography with the Geographic Information System specialty from the Pennsylvania State University.





# KRISHNA AKUNDI

Krishna Akundi currently serves as the research manager in the State Data & Analysis Center (SDAC) at MDP.

He supports staff engaged in specialized research and analysis. He also oversees the frequent publication of demographic, economic and housing trend reports on the SDAC website.

He previously worked for state economic development agencies in Texas and Missouri, and for the Montgomery County Planning Department in Maryland.

Krishna received the Master's in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Pittsburgh and a PhD in Urban Studies from the University of New Orleans.





# KRISTIN FLECKENSTEIN

Kristin Fleckenstein currently serves as the Deputy Secretary for the Maryland Department of Planning (MDP)

Kristin joined MDP in late February 2020 as a consultant to manage the department's oversight of the state's 2020 Census efforts. She then served as the department's Chief of Staff and later the Assistant Secretary of External Affairs prior to being named Deputy Secretary in 2023.

Prior to joining MDP, Kristin served as a Communications Director for the University of Maryland Medical System, and the Anne Arundel County State's Attorney's Office.

Ms. Fleckenstein received her Master's degree in Legal Studies from the University of Baltimore, and Bachelor's degree in Communications from the University of Maryland.





# SHAWN KIMBERLY

Shawn is Manager of Data Applications in the State Data and Analysis Center (SDAC) at MDP.

He manages the unit's collection, processing, and dissemination of demographic information ensuring that data from the Census Bureau and other sources are provided on SDAC webpages in an accurate and timely manner.

He is involved in the agency's partnerships with the Census Bureau, including the State Data Center Program, the Federal State Cooperative for Population Estimates, and the planning and preparation efforts for the 2030 Census.

Shawn received his Master of Regional Planning degree from Cornell University and is a certified planner with the American Planning Association (AICP).

