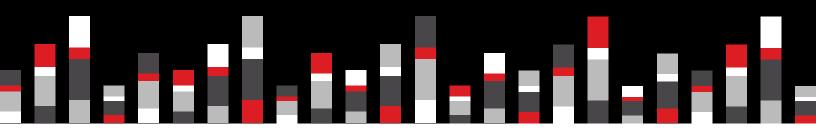


UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT OMAHA CENTER FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS RESEARCH

# Data and Research Series for Community Impact



### PART ONE SEPTEMBER 26, 2024 9 A.M. – 12 P.M.

IN-PERSON (limited to 90 attendees) AND VIRTUAL University of Nebraska at Omaha Dodge Campus PART TWO DECEMBER 19, 2024 9 A.M. – 12 P.M.

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# CPAR Data and Research Series Part One Agenda

## **SEPTEMBER 26, 2024**

Part One is designed to empower government and nonprofit professionals to access, analyze, and disseminate valuable insights from the U.S. Census Bureau. Then learn from experts in the field on best practices to work with and share your data.

#### 9-9:20 A.M. - NETWORKING AND WELCOME

#### 9:20-9:30 A.M. - UPDATES ON DATA PRODUCTS FROM THE U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

• Josie Gatti Schafer, director, University of Nebraska at Omaha Center for Public Affairs Research

#### 9:30-10:30 A.M. - THE GEOGRAPHY OF DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE IN NEBRASKA

In this overview presentation of demographic and economic shifts in Nebraska, we utilize the most recent data available from the U.S. Census Bureau. Additionally, our analysis will explore key trends across various geographies, including places, counties, and regions, to examine how geography may contribute to explaining the demographic and economic changes. This approach offers valuable insights into the economic and community development imperatives for Nebraska.

• Josie Gatti Schafer, director, University of Nebraska at Omaha Center for Public Affairs Research

#### 10:30-10:45 A.M. – BREAK

#### 10:45-11 A.M. – 6 REGIONS, ONE NEBRASKA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

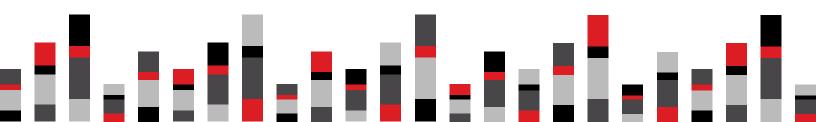
At the request of statewide partners — the Governor of Nebraska, the Director of the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, and the President of the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry — UNO CPAR was asked to compile data from numerous data contributors and analyze the data to provide actionable insights for regional economic and community development. In this session, hear from one of the architects of this project about the importance of data to achieving the goals of the initiative.

• K.C. Belitz, director, Nebraska Department of Economic Development

#### 11 A.M.-12 P.M. - RELIABILITY AND APPLICATION OF DATA

To effectively utilize data for economic and community development, it must be reliable. Although data reliability is a statistical concept, it also includes building trust and understanding for data. This panel will delve into both the statistical and practical aspects of ensuring data reliability, featuring insights from experts in Nebraska. Attendees will gain valuable perspectives on how to verify and utilize data effectively in decision-making processes.

- Alex Brodersen, assistant director for research and evaluation, Nebraska Statewide Workforce & Educational Reporting System (NSWERS)
- Katie Bass, policy research manager, First Five Nebraska
- Lina Traslaviña Stover, executive director, Heartland Workers Center
- John McCoy, associate economist in regional affairs, Omaha Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City
- Moderator: Josie Gatti Schafer, director, University of Nebraska at Omaha Center for Public Affairs Research



# CPAR Data and Research Series Part Two Agenda

# **DECEMBER 19, 2024**

Part Two will follow the release of the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey 5-year estimates. This rich resource provides demographics, social, economic, and housing data for various geographies in Nebraska.

#### 9-9:15 A.M. - WELCOME

# 9:15-10:30 A.M. – ACCESSING U.S. CENSUS BUREAU DATA AND INSIGHTS FROM THE RELEASE OF THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY

In this timely session you will learn how to access the most recent data resources available from the U.S. Census Bureau and learn about the most recent trends in Nebraska.

• Josie Gatti Schafer, director, University of Nebraska at Omaha Center for Public Affairs Research

#### 10:30-10:45 A.M. - BREAK

#### 10:45-11 A.M. - ECONOMIC DATA FROM THE U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

This session will provide a brief overview of some of the many U.S. Census Bureau resources available to describe the economy and how to access some of these data resources.

• Adam Grundy, supervisory statistician, Data User and Trade Outreach Branch, Economic Management Division, U.S. Census Bureau

# 11 A.M.-12P.M. – THE NATIONAL AND METROPOLITAN ECONOMY: RECENT TRENDS AND OUTLOOK

What are the key indicators of economic activity both nationally and here in Omaha? This presentation will identify several of these indicators and explore what they suggest about the next few years.

• Dustin R. White, associate professor, University of Nebraska at Omaha Department of Economics