Navigating ACL’s AGing, Independence, and Disability (AGID) Program Data Portal

About AGID

The Administration for Community Living’s (ACL) AGing, Independence, and Disability (AGID) Program Data Portal provides an online query system that allows you to access ACL-related program performance results, surveys, and other data files. You can easily find data on ACL supportive services and care systems for the aging population and their caregivers, produce various tables, maps, and other summary information from data files and surveys, and access results from the National Survey of Older Americans Act Participants (NSOAAP), in addition to American Community Survey (ACS) Special Tabulations produced by the Census Bureau. You can also find links to Administration on Disabilities programs’ data, Administration on Disabilities funded data collection activities, Current Administration on Aging evaluation activities, and contact information for people asked to participate in AoA surveys or studies, or who are interested in accessing evaluation data for research purposes.

To learn more about AGID and the latest news, please visit the AGID Home page, in addition to the About page for more details.
Data on AGID

AGID offers four different data views: Data-at-a-Glance, State Profiles, Custom Tables, and Data Files. The following sections help you navigate each of these levels of data.

Data-at-a-Glance

The Data-at-a-Glance page lets you access individual data elements from all of AGID’s state-level databases, which allow data mining, exploring various databases, and producing quick tables and geographical representations. Updated as data become available, the state-level databases include State Program Reports (SPR), National Ombudsman Reporting System (NORS), Title VI Services by Tribal Organization, American Community Survey (ACS) Demographic Data, Population Estimates Data, and Census 2010.
Selecting any of the blue links will take you to that database’s Data-at-a-Glance page. From there, you can select a Year, Geography (i.e., geographical location), Data Element, and type of visualization (i.e., Map, Line Graph, or Bar Chart) to display the data of interest. Selecting a year from the Year dropdown, a geographic location from the Geography dropdown, or a blue linked item under Data Element will automatically update the map and accompanying table of data below the map. Example: The image below shows NORS data for the number of cases opened in all 50 states, including DC and US territories, in 2017.

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1 These features are the same for all databases except ACS, which also gives options for display, age, and population type.
You can further look at a specific state’s data or compare numerous states using line graphs or bar charts. Select the visualization (i.e., Line Graph or Bar Chart) you prefer and select a state to begin. Depending on your choice, a line graph or bar chart will appear in place of the map. Additional options under Year and Geography will also appear. Select the years and geographical locations of interest and data for them will automatically appear on the line graph or bar chart. The table below the line graph or bar chart will also update. Example: The bar chart below is a comparison of the number of Ombudsman cases opened in DC and VA from 2000-2017.

You can also opt to Download, Share, or Print any results. Options for these actions are located in the in the top right-hand side of the page. You can download maps, line graphs, or bar charts; or data tables in Excel or CSV format. You can share data via email, Facebook, Twitter, and other social networks. You can also print charts and tables.
State Profiles

You can access state level summaries and pre-populated tables of key data elements from Older Americans Act (OAA) Programs on the State Profiles page. Comparisons can be made between states and the total US. Also, locations of State Units on Aging (SUA), Area Agencies on Aging (AAA), and Tribal Organizations (where applicable) can be displayed in both map and tabular forms. Select a state in the map or name of a state in the list below the map to access its profile. There is also an option to view a profile of all OAA programs, including all 50 States, DC & US Territories. You can also zoom in or out on the map by using the + and – controls below the map on the left-hand side.
If you select Maine, for example, you will learn that there is one SUA, five AAAs, and three Tribal Organization locations in the state. These locations appear on the map, as well as in a table below the map (see image below). To differentiate these types of organizations on the map, you can toggle the associated icons on or off by selecting the name of a type of organization in the key. For example, if you wish to only view Tribal Organizations, you can toggle off the icons for SUAs and AAAs by selecting them in the key. The icons for them will then disappear from the map. You can toggle them back on by selecting them in the key again. You can also select any icon on the map to display the name and address of the associated organization. On the left-hand side, you can view state profiles, make state comparisons, and view national tables on a variety of topics. Also, like the map of all states, you can zoom in or out on the map by using the + and – controls.

You can also opt to Download, Share, Print, or Toggle Label (when viewing a state map only) any results. Options for these actions are located on the top right-hand side of the page. You can download maps or data tables (when viewing a state map only) in Excel format. You can share data via email, Facebook, Twitter, and other social networks. You can print the map and data that appear on the page. You can also select Toggle Label to toggle the names of counties on state maps on or off.
Custom Tables

The Custom Tables page allows you to produce detailed, multi-year tables refined by demographic stratifiers or geographic locations. This powerful tool can also analyze trends over time, in addition to ranking individual data elements across time and geography. The following state-level databases are available: State Program Reports (SPR), National Ombudsman Reporting System (NORS), Title VI Services by Tribal Organization, National Survey of OAA Participants, American Community Survey (ACS) Demographic Data, Population Estimates Data, and Census 2010.
Selecting any of the blue links will take you to that database’s Custom Tables page. From there, you can select the Year(s), Data Element(s), Stratifier(s) (if available), and Geography (i.e., geographical location(s)) and filters within them to display the data of interest. Clear, Save, Next, and Clear All controls allow you to fine-tune the filters on the selections (i.e., Years, Data Elements, Stratifiers, etc.). Clear allows you to clear any filters you have on a selection. Previous and Next allow you to navigate between the selections. Save allows you to save your filters for a given selection. Clear All clears all of your filters for all areas of interest. The image below shows Title VI Services by Tribal Organization data for the number of client nutrition service meals distributed in applicable tribal organizations in 2017.

You can also opt to Download (when viewing results only), Share, or Print filter selections or results. Options for these actions are located on the top right-hand side of the page. You can download results in Excel or CSV format. You can share filters you have selected or results via email, Facebook, Twitter, and other social networks. You can also print filters you have selected, as well as results based on your filter selections.
Data Files

You can access ACL-related survey databases, administrative and evaluation data, and special tabulations on the Data Files page. Data sources include:

- Administration on Aging (AoA) – Annual National Survey of Older Americans Act Participants (NSOAAP), and Health and Wellness Data
- Administration on Disabilities – Annual Performance Data for State Councils of Developmental Disabilities, State Protection and Advocacy Programs, University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD), and Centers for Independent Living (CIL)
- Administration on Disabilities – Longitudinal data collection projects of national significance, which include the State of the State in Developmental Disabilities, Access to Integrated Employment, the Residential Information System Project, National Core Indicators, and Data Collection for Supporting Families
- US Census Bureau – American Community Survey (ACS) Special Tabulations, and Decennial Census Special Tabulation Data
Data are primarily available to download as Excel files with the exception of NSOAAP data, which is available in CSV, ASCII, and SAS formats. NSOAAP data files are supplemented with survey instruments and documentation, codebooks with variable listings and frequencies of all individual data elements, and SAS programming statements. Survey data files and technical documentation (e.g., Census Bureau Technical Notes, AoA Notes on the Special Tabulation) exist for ACS Special Tabulations and Decennial Census Special Tabulation.

For some data files, you are provided options to Download, Share, or Print data files. Options for these actions are located on the top right-hand side of the page. You can download files in Excel and/or CSV format. You can share data files via email, Facebook, Twitter, and other social networks. You can also print some data files. For other data files you are provided options to download as ZIP files or other formats, along with accompanying files (e.g., codebooks, survey instruments, etc.). Links to these files are provided in the text of the page as opposed to the options located on the top right-hand side of the page.

Information on current program evaluation activities (e.g., Home and Community-Based Support Services for Older American Indians, Alaskan Natives, and Native Hawaiians (Title VI Programs), and Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (LTCOP)) can be found at the bottom of the page.
Resources

The Resources tab contains links to an FAQ, instructions on how to use AGID, information on data sources, technical documentation and training sources, and various data outputs (e.g., data stories, blog posts, fact sheets, issue briefs, webinars).
Example: The data output below is a data story on the OAA Nutrition Services Program. It contains quick facts on the purpose of the program, services provided, and uses data obtained from the AGID website itself to tell a story.

For more information on the OAA Nutrition Services Program, visit https://www.acl.gov/programs/health-wellness/nutrition-services. To access more data from the SPR, visit https://agid.acl.gov/DataGlance/SPR/. To access more data on the NSOAP, visit https://agid.acl.gov/CustomTables/NFS/Year/. [Version Sept 2018]

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