Freedom of Information Act at the Census Bureau

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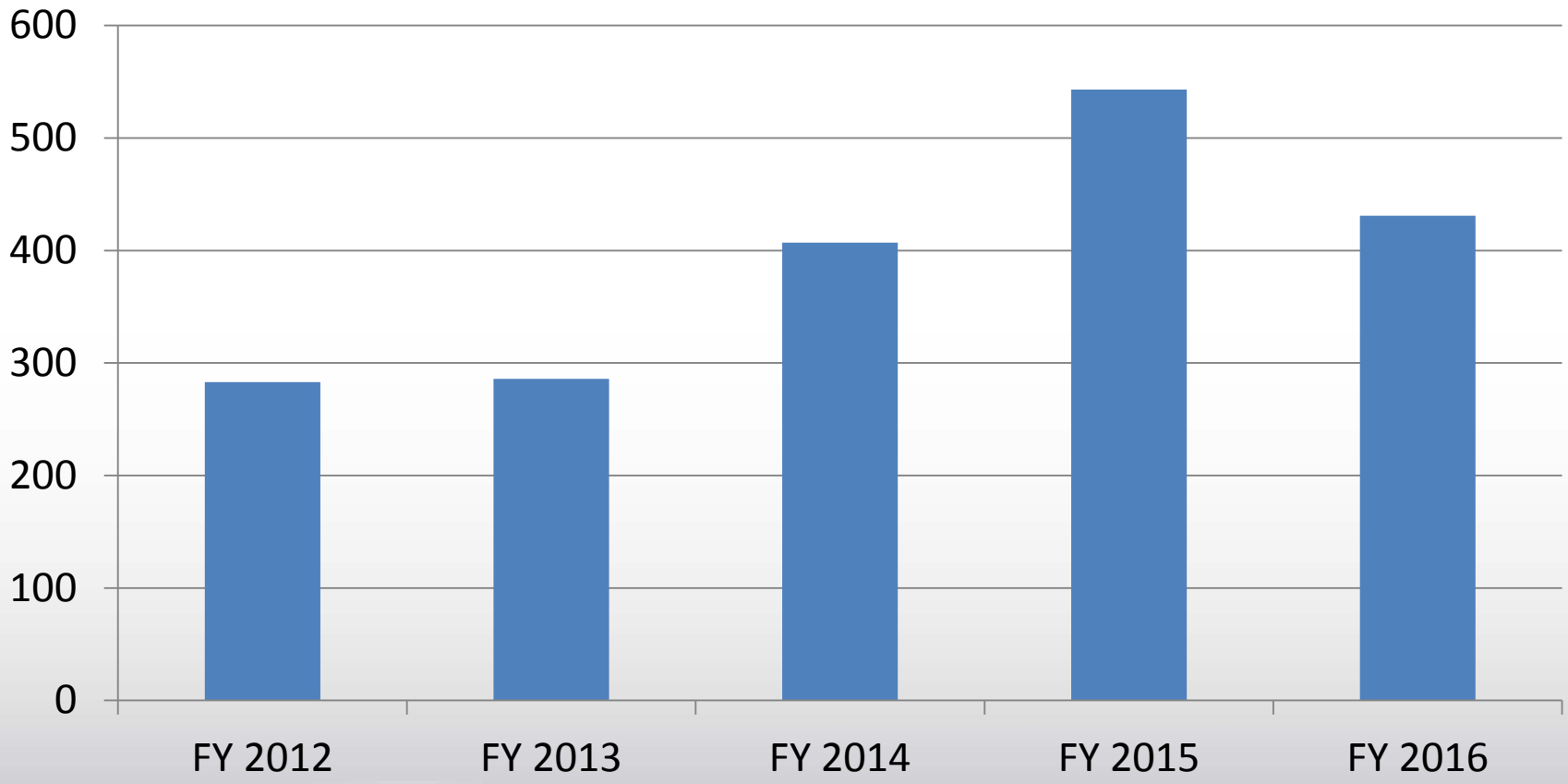
Overview

- FOIA at the Census Bureau
- Types of FOIA Requests Received at Census
- Rules and Regulations that Govern the FOIA at the Census Bureau
- Proactive Disclosure Strategies

FOIA
At the Census Bureau

FOIA Hot Seasons
Decennial and Economic Census

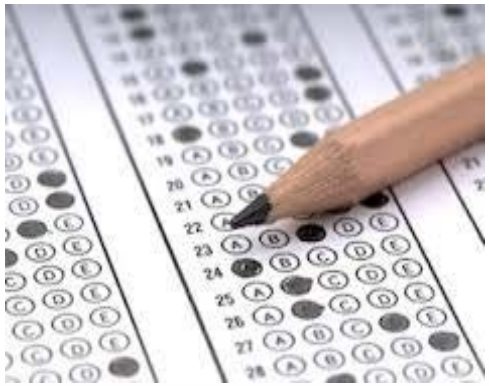
Number of FOIA Requests Received by Fiscal Year



FOIA Requests

Federal Employee Request

Legal or other authorities:
Title 5, U.S.C., Section 552



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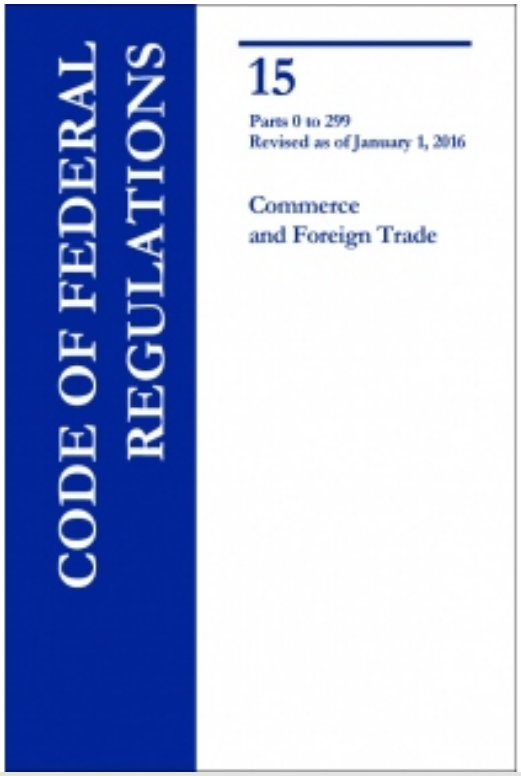


Census Bureau PPM Chapter C-4

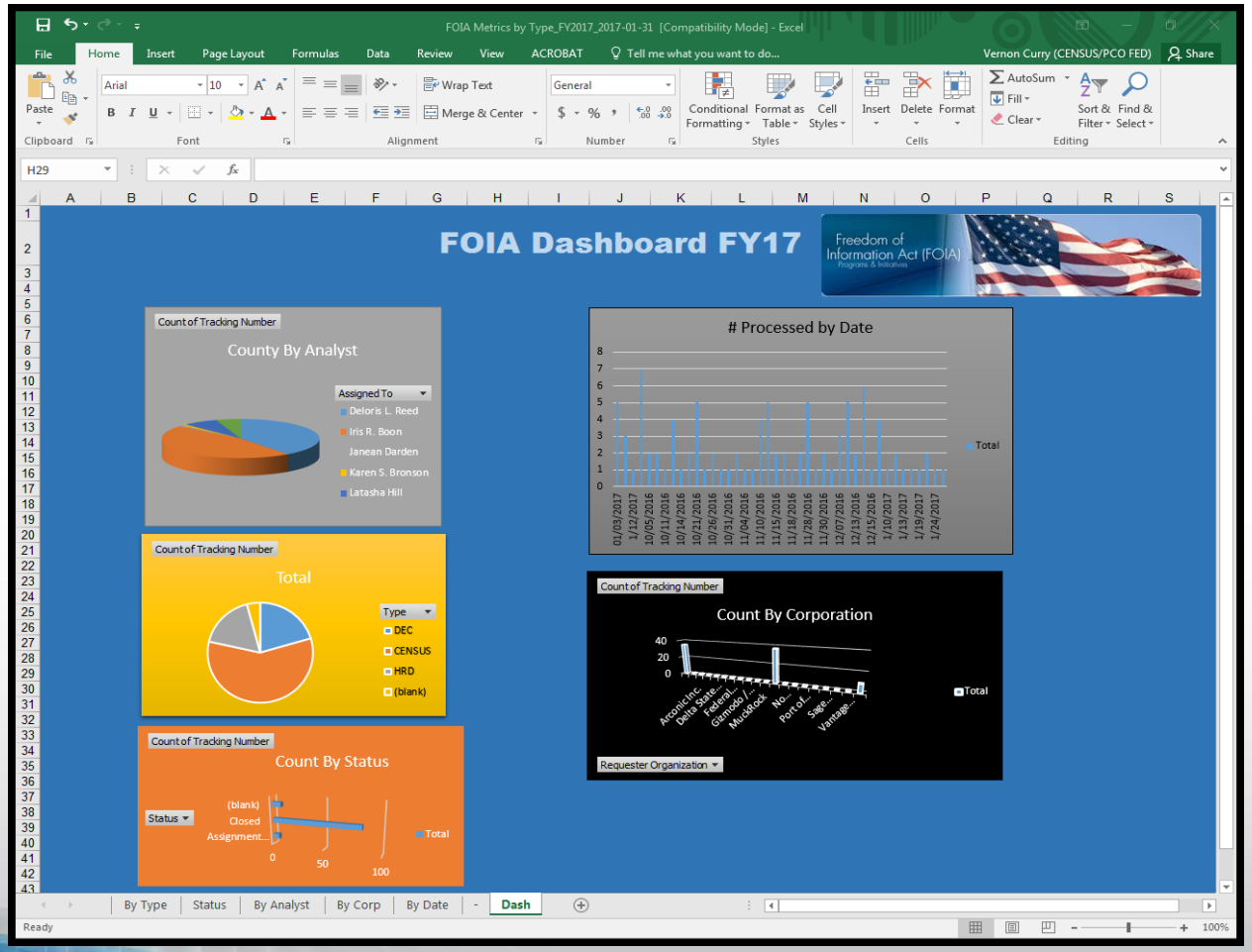
- Release of Title 13 data

- Release of Title 26 data

DAO 205-14
Department of Administrative Order

- Instructions on processing FOIA requests
  - Defines a request
  - Who can legally make a request
  - How requests for information is routed and tracked
  - Roles and Responsibilities of the FOIA Office
  - Proper forms needed from the requester for their request

Proactive Disclosures



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Annual Reports
Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Office Annual Reports

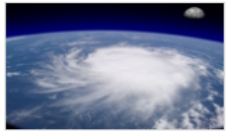
Policies
Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Office Policies

Frequently Requested Records
You can access our frequently requested records in this section, which include our disclosure review board meeting minutes.

Custom Tabulations
Here you will find a list of several program areas at the Census Bureau that collect, tabulate, and disseminate data about the nation's people and economy.

FOIA Logs
Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) provides that any person has the right to request access to federal executive branch agency records or information.

Congressional Correspondence Logs
Congressional Correspondence logs fall under the category of records disclosed in response to a FOIA request.



Emergency Preparedness
Prepare for Emergencies, Natural and Man-made Disasters using U.S. Census Bureau's data and statistics

Proactive Disclosure

- Census Blog

Lunch and Learn Sessions

Questions?

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