This technical document provides an assessment of firm age, and of minority and female-firm ownership in the Census Bureau microdata by statistically comparing Dunn and Bradstreet (henceforth also referred to as "D&B") data with relevant data from various US Census programs. The D&B data include company profiles for millions of US. and international firms, both public and private. Because the data comprise the basis of D&B's service offerings, considerable resources are invested in its coverage and accuracy. Though not expected to be as complete as the Economic Census ("EC"), Longitudinal Business Database ("LBD"), and Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics ("LEHD") data, the coverage in the D&B data is extensive. For this study we have constructed extracts of company information for minority and female owned companies located in states for which LEHD are available. The D&B data were then linked to the Census business register ("SSEL/BR") using name and address matching techniques discussed in greater detail in the original PPS and associated proposal.

Relevant Datasets: LEHD ICF, LBD

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