

Census Business Development Tool: Small Business Edition

A Business Information Tool for
Entrepreneurs, Small Business Owners,
and Small Business Development Center
Counselors

Census – Customer Focus

- Ongoing tool changes
- Identifying our customers
 - “Power Users”
- Underserved customers
 - Small businesses
 - Entrepreneurs
 - Chambers of Commerce

The screenshot displays the United States Census Bureau website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the following sections: Topics (Population, Economy), Geography (Maps, Geographic Data), Library (Infographics, Publications), Data (Tools, Developers), About the Bureau (Research, Surveys), and Newsroom (News, Events, Blogs). A search bar is located on the right side of the navigation bar.

The main content area features a large orange banner with the headline "Mining, Quarrying, Oil and Gas Extraction Booming". Below the banner, there is a text box stating: "This sector showed tremendous growth as establishments rose by 26.4 percent. Read more in the 2012 Economic Census Advance Report - the first report capturing a comprehensive look at the U.S. economy since the 2007 recession." Below the text are several small icons representing different categories.

Below the banner, there are three main sections:

- Population Clock:** Displays U.S. Population (318,763,004) and World Population (7,183,627,968). It includes a timestamp: "Aug 29, 2014 13:30 UTC (+4)" and a "Learn More >>" link.
- QuickFacts:** Offers "Quick, easy access to facts about people, business, and geography." It includes a map of the United States and a "Select a state to begin" dropdown menu.
- U.S. Census Bureau Economic Indicators:** Lists various indicators with their values and trends:
 - Advance Report Durable Goods July 2014 Report: Released 8:30 AM EDT, 8/28/14. Value: \$300.18. Trend: ↑ 22.6%.
 - New Residential Sales July 2014 Report: Released 10:00 AM EDT, 8/25/14. Value: 412,000. Trend: ↓ -2.4%.
 - New Residential Construction: Value: 1,093,000.

Below these sections, there is a "Latest News" section with two articles:

- Young Adults in America, Live on C-SPAN's "Washington Journal"** (August 27, 2014). Tom Snyder, program director at the National Center for Education Statistics, discusses new findings about young adults.
- 2013 Survey of Public Pensions** (August 26, 2014). Provides a comprehensive look at the financial activity of the nation's state-

On the right side, there is a "Stat of the Day" section titled "Young Adults in America". It states: "More young adults ages 18-24 are going to college; 41% in 2012, up from 26% in 1980. Fewer are in the labor force; 65% in 2012, down from 75% in 1986, the peak year." A "Read More" link is provided at the bottom.

Guiding Principles

- Easy to use
- Customer focused
- Census data and more
- Small footprint
- Leverage existing Census investments
- Free



Version 1.0 Features

- Initial audience: **Selected B-to-C** business
- Selected **demographic** and **economic** data (ACS, EC, CBP, NS)
- Consumer Spending data (Esri)
- *Local Area Profile* report
- Core functionality



Determine the best location for your business

1 What type of business do you want to start?



Construction



Retail



Personal
Services



Professional
Services



Healthcare



Food
Services

2 Where do you plan to open the business?

or [use current location](#)

3 Start analyzing

Take me to the Map

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Construction:

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Determine the best location for your business

1 What type of business do you want to start?

Construction, Electrical

[change](#)

2 Where do you plan to open the business?

San Bernardino

San Bernardino County

City of San Bernardino

3 Start analyzing

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Your Industry:

Construction, Electrical

Location:

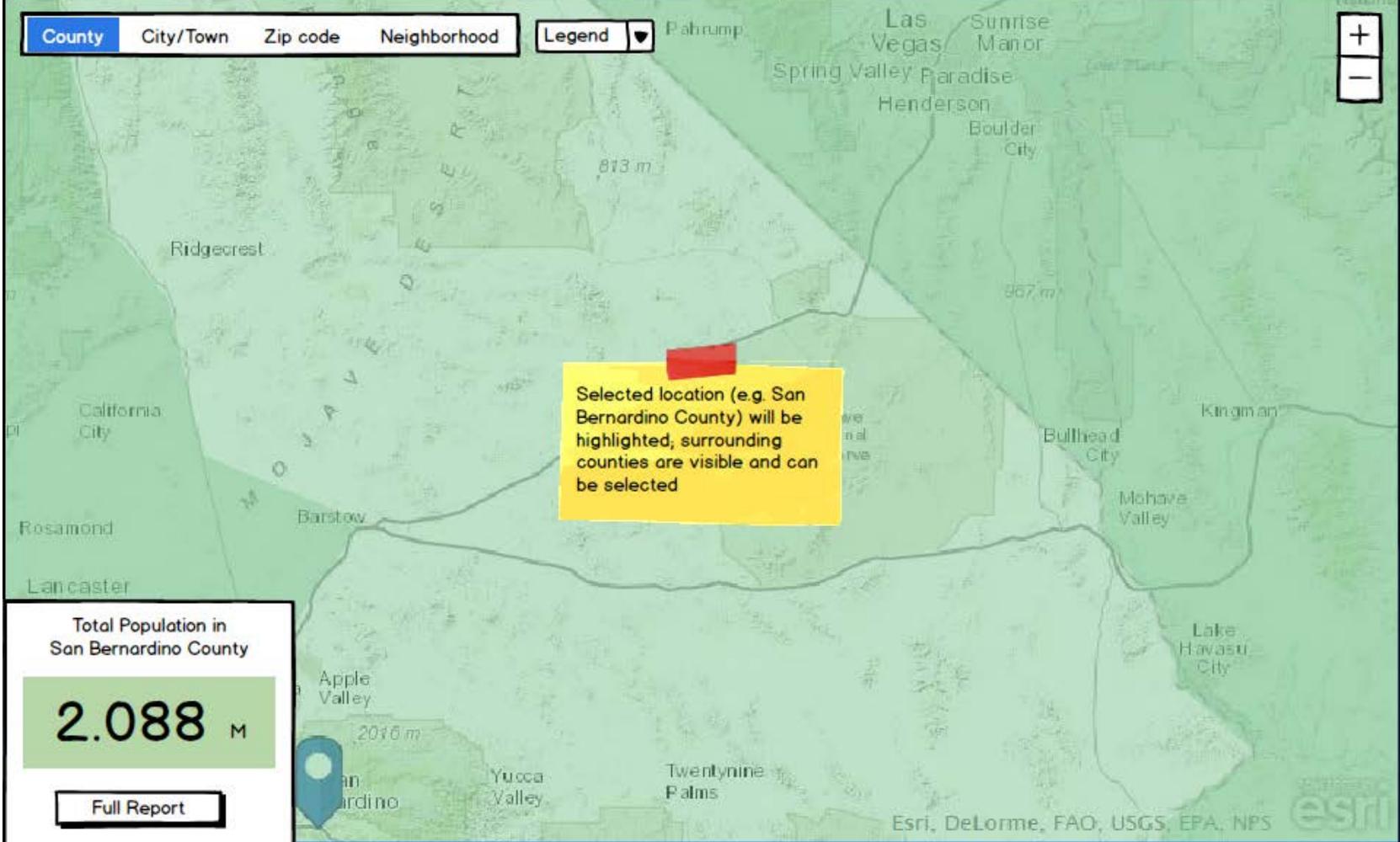
San Bernardino County

Thematic Map Variable:

Total Population

Filter:

not applied



Total Population in San Bernardino County

2.088 M

[Full Report](#)





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Your Industry:

Construction, Electrical

Location:

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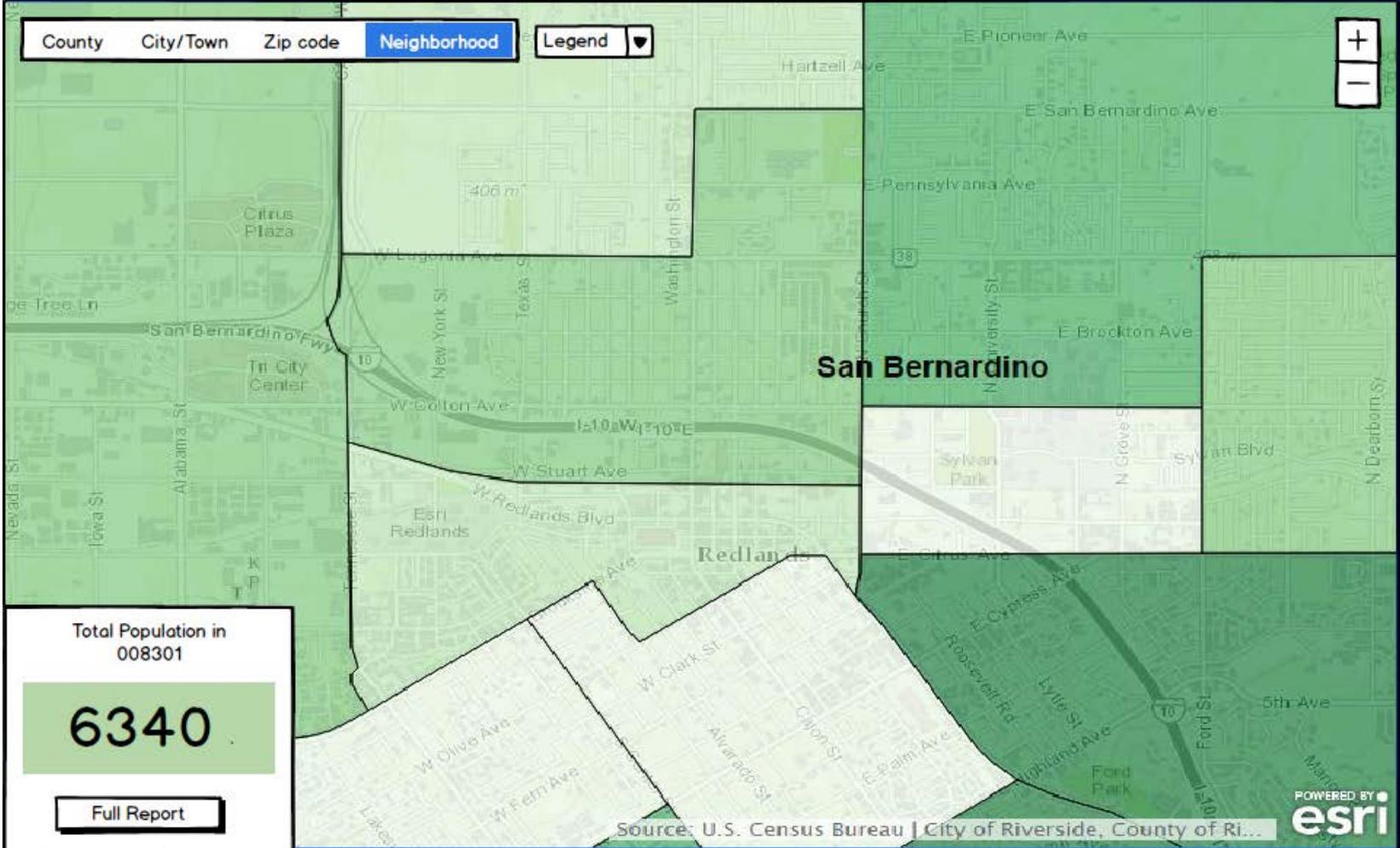
County

City/Town

Zip code

Neighborhood

Legend



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County City/Town Zip code **Neighborhood**

Potential Customers Businesses like mine Consumer Spending

Show: All Demographics Economics Housing

- Total population
- Population 18 years and older
- Population 65 years and older
- Median household income
- Percent with Highschool degree or higher
- Percent with bachelor's degree or higher
- Percent in poverty

Select Variable Cancel

* Variable not available at current map level

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County City/Town Zip code **Neighborhood**

Potential Customers Businesses like mine Consumer Spending

Show: All Employers Nonemployers Key Ratios

- * Number of Establishments
- * Total employment
- * Total annual payroll
- * Number of Firms
- * Revenue**
- * Average employment per employer business
- * Average payroll per employee

At which map level do you want see data for **Revenue**?

County City/Town Zip code Neighborhood

Select Variable Cancel

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Location:
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Filter:
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County City/Town Zip code **Neighborhood** Legend

[Add filter variable...](#)

Potential Customers Businesses like mine **Consumer Spending**

- Total expenditures
- Dining out (Food away from home)**
- Entertainment / Recreation
- Financial
- Health Care
- Household Services
- Housing
- Personal Care

Apply Filter Cancel

Use Variable

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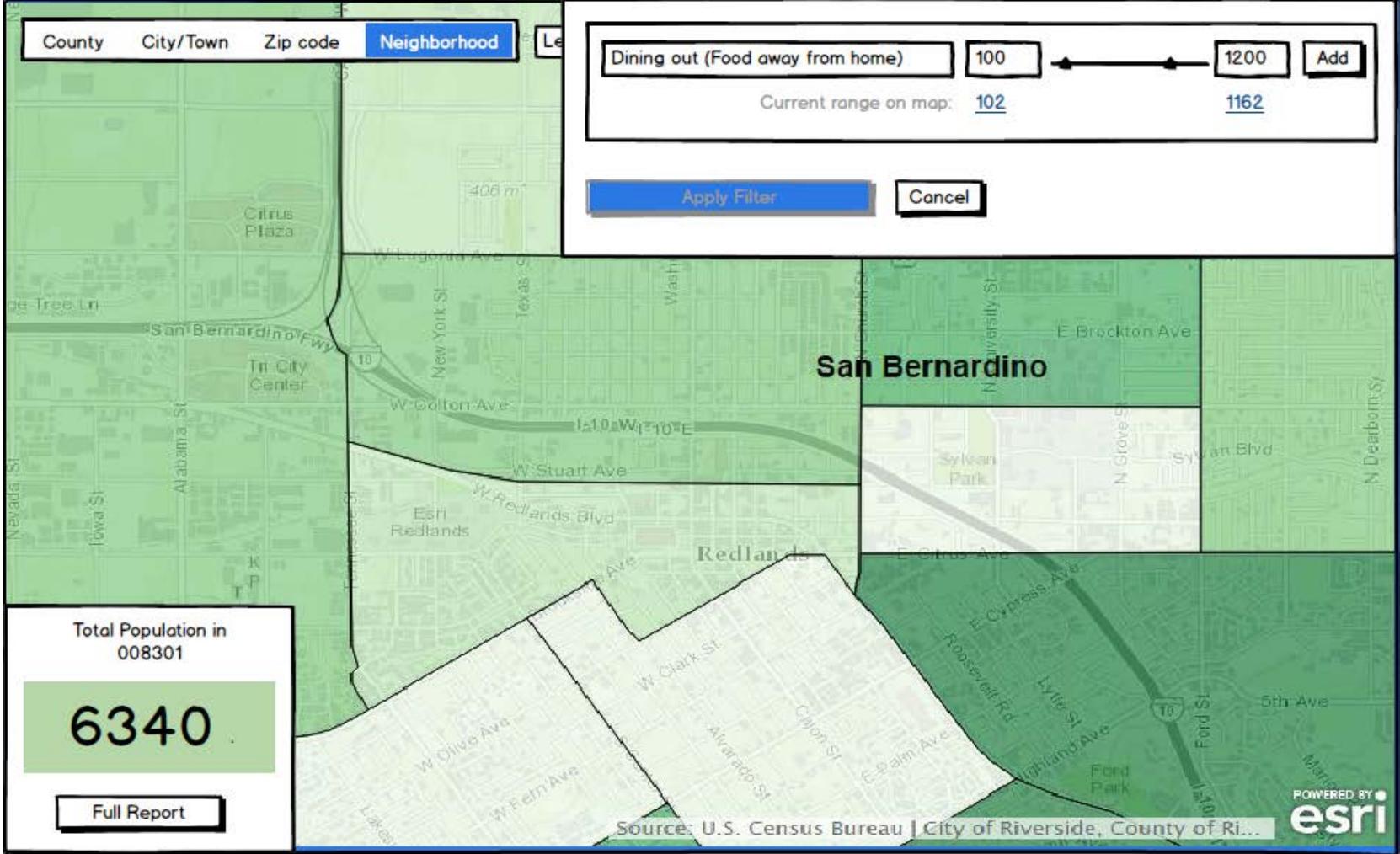
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County City/Town Zip code **Neighborhood**

Dining out (Food away from home)

Current range on map: 102 1162



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Total Population

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City/Town

Zip code

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Dining out (Food away from home)

100 - 1200

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Population 18 years and older

> 50000

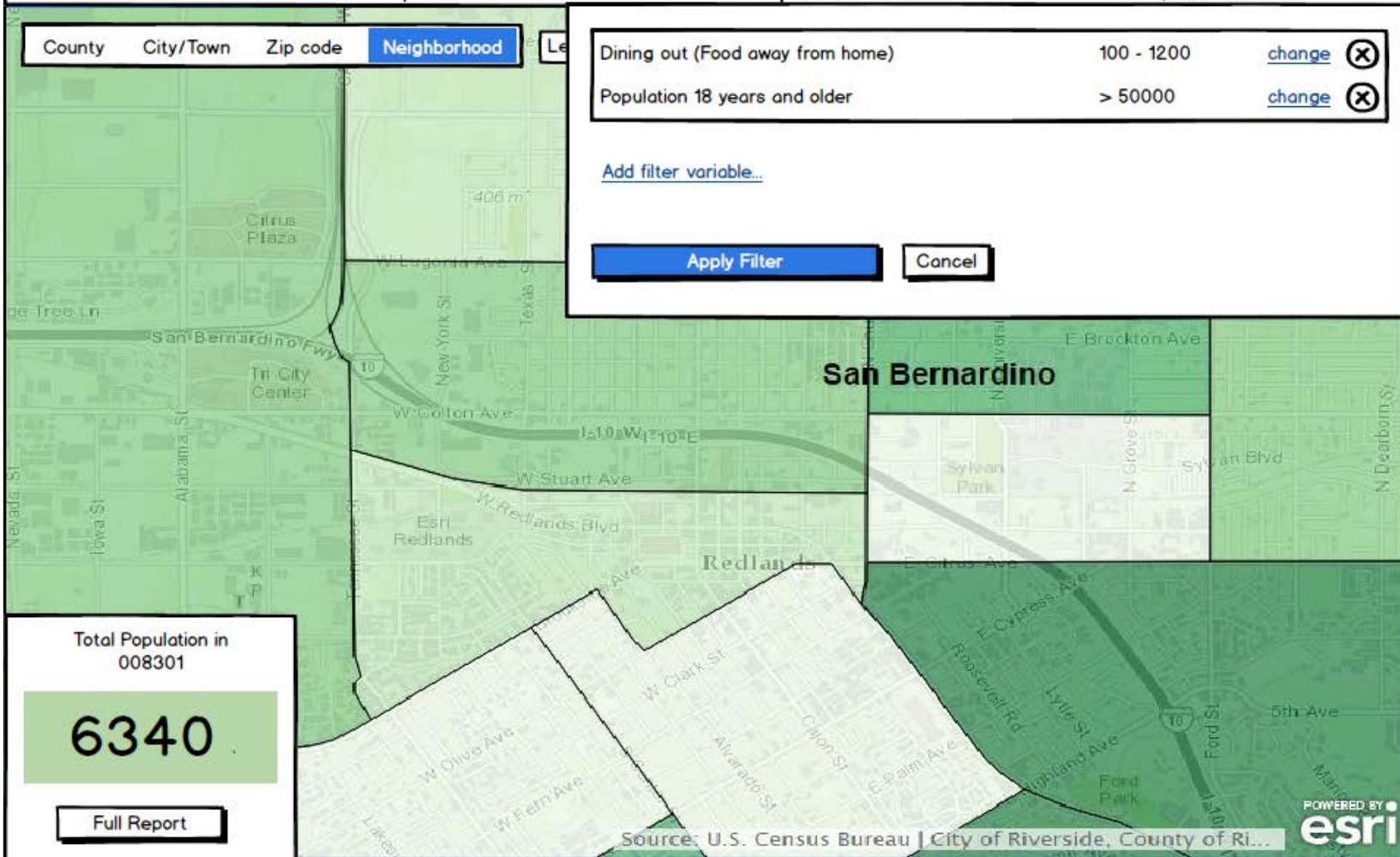
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Apply Filter

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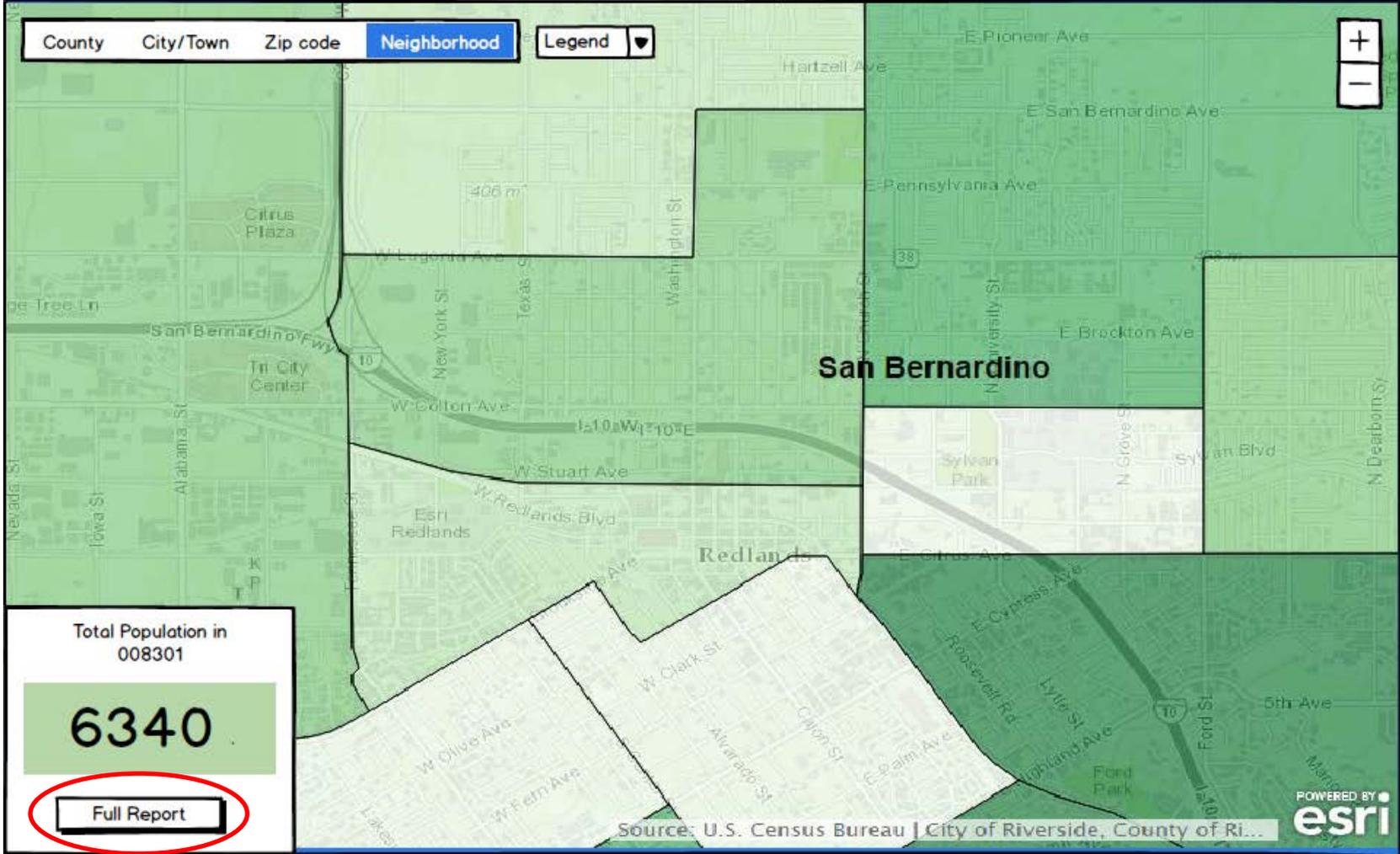
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Filter:
Dining, Population

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Economic Profile of Offices of Real Estate Agents and Brokers (NAICS 53121) in Travis County, Texas

Who are My Potential Customers?

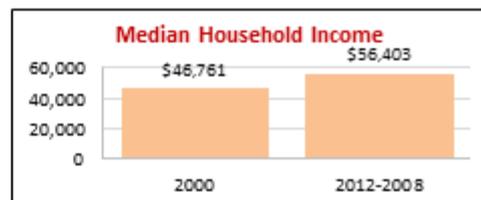
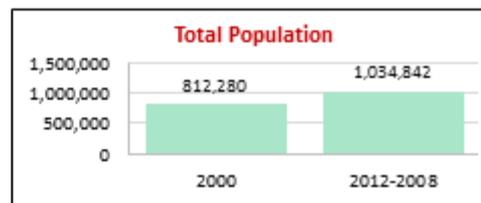
Demographic characteristics

Total population: **1,034,842**
 Population 18 and over: **76.2%**
 Population 65 years old and over: **7.4%**

Economic characteristics

Median household income: **\$56,403**
 Percentage of population w/ high school graduate or higher: **86.9%**
 Percentage of population w/ bachelor's degree or higher: **44.2%**

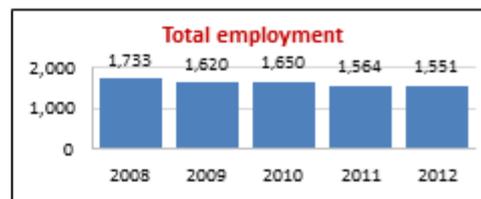
Source: [2012 American Community Survey](#)



What About Other Businesses Like Mine?

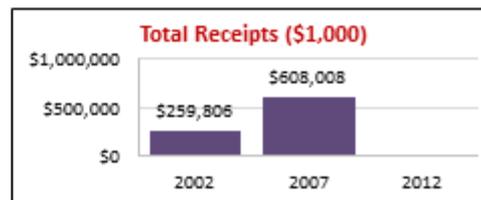
Employer Businesses

2012
 Number of Offices of Real Estate Agents and Brokers: **492**
 Total employment: **1,551**
 Total annual payroll: **\$117.1M**
 Average employees per business: **3**
 Average annual payroll per employee: **\$75,473**
 Average population per business: **2,103**



2007

Number of Offices of Real Estate Agents and Brokers: **555**
 Total employment **1,916**
 Total annual payroll: **\$112.4M**
 Average annual payroll per employee: **\$58,640**
 Total receipts: **\$608.0M**
 Receipts per business: **\$1,095,510**
 Receipts per employee: **\$317,332**



Source: [2012 County Business Patterns and 2007 Economic Census](#)

Nonemployer Businesses

Number of nonemployer Offices of Real Estate Agents and Brokers: **3,735**
 Total receipts: **\$236,337,000**
 Average receipts per business: **\$63,276**



Source: [2012 Nonemployer Statistics](#)

Next Steps

- **Audience** expansion
 - More B-to-C businesses, then B-to-B's
- **Content** expansion
 - Additional demo and econ characteristics (from Census)
- **Functionality** expansion
 - Add your own data
 - Compare, time series, Mobile
- Planned Release: **June 12, 2015**



Chamber of Commerce Edition 0.1 (beta) Features

- Initial audience: **Selected Chambers of Commerce**
- Same **demographic** and **economic** data as in *CBDT: Small Business Edition*
- No Industry Selection, but add **Chamber boundary selection** and **data aggregation**
- *Chamber of Commerce Profile* report

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