The Tribal Affairs team works closely with American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) tribal nations on a government-to-government basis to address issues concerning tribal self-government. The government-to-government relationship is based on the United States Constitution, federal treaties, policy, law, court decisions, and executive orders, and the ongoing political relationship among tribal nations and the federal government. The IAO serves as the principal liaison office for tribal affairs and is the principal advisor to the director and executive staff on tribal issues and concerns. The team’s work focuses on collaborating with other agencies, building and maintaining relations with tribal leaders, tribal associations, and tribal members in order to educate, inform, consult, and share program information from across the U.S. Census Bureau.

**MY TRIBAL AREA DATA TOOL**

The Census Bureau collects data for the AIAN population and publishes specific counts, estimates, and statistics from the American Community Survey (ACS). The ACS provides detailed demographic, social, economic, and housing statistics every year for the nation’s communities. The My Tribal Area data tool allows the user to select a tribal area for viewing of its unique statistics. Estimates are updated automatically with new releases.

**TRIBAL CONSULTATION REPORTS**

The Census Bureau held a series of 17 tribal consultation meetings and one national webinar from the Fall of 2015 through the Fall of 2016. Hard copies of the final reports, resulting from the consultations, were mailed to tribal leaders and participants. Electronic copies can be found at https://census.gov/aian.