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Goal of Workshop

- Provide **Input** for Census Bureau's Implementation of Disclosure Avoidance System (DAS) for **2020 Census Demographic & Housing Characteristics (DHC)** Data Products

Short-Term Objectives

Over of next two days, we hope to accomplish...

- Summarize **findings** on **Fitness for Use** with 2010 DHC Demonstration file.
- What are **consequences for Equity in uses** of DHC for:
 - Large & Small geographies & various legal entities?
 - Demographic and age groups?
 - Characterizing Households?
 - Housing Characteristics?
 - Legal required uses of DHC data?
 - Comparisons over time?
- What are **consequences for Privacy Protection**?
- **Result**: Provide ***actionable input*** for Improving DAS for DHC

Intermediate Term Objectives

Over coming months, we hope Workshop helps Census & Users of DHC to...

- **Identify & Address Needs of Users of DHC:**
 - Better **Understanding & Communication** about **DHC's DAS & Its Consequences for Fitness for Use** for Alternative Use Cases.
 - What will DAS be “**tuned**” to?
 - What, if any, are **remaining shortfalls** of the 2020 DHC data?
 - What are **margins of error** for various use cases?
 - Identify & Facilitate **Strategies & Resources** Needed by Users of DHC.
 - What will be **best practices** for using 2020 DHC data effectively?
 - What **strategies/methods** can be used to assess margins of error?
 - **Who** will **provide** these tools?

Longer Term Objectives

While beyond Scope of this Workshop, but vitally needed ...

- Address **Concerns** about Census's **Loss of Credibility** from 2020 Census experience
 - Did new DAS **meet objectives** of improving **Protection Privacy**?
 - What can be done to **improve dialogue** between Census & its Users?
- **Prepare for 2030 Census**
 - What are the **lessons** from 2020 Census experiences **relevant** for **planning** the 2030 Census?
 - Start **now** to explore **all options** for improving **balance between Privacy Protection and Data Utility**