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DATASETS

HUD User is home to numerous datasets in a variety of formats including: HUD Income Limits, Fair Market Rents, Low-Income Housing Tax Credit data, and Picture of Subsidized Housing. All datasets are available as free downloads; find what you need fast with the dataset reference guide.

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CASE STUDIES

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PERIODICALS

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- *Evidence Matters*, published quarterly, presents objective, evidence-based analyses of research findings about key housing and urban development topics to inform practitioners, advocates, state and local policymakers, Congress, and researchers on future policy directions.
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EVENTS

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HUD SECRETARY'S AWARDS

Each year, the HUD Secretary, in collaboration with various associations, recognizes outstanding achievements in housing and urban development by presenting awards in different categories, including Healthy Homes, Excellence in Historic Preservation, and Public-Philanthropic Partnerships.

REGULATORY BARRIERS CLEARINGHOUSE (RBC)

RBC collects and disseminates information on the creation and maintenance of affordable housing through a searchable database of state and local laws, regulations, and policies that promote housing affordability.

THE INNOVATION IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING STUDENT DESIGN AND PLANNING COMPETITION

The annual HUD Innovation in Affordable Housing Student Design and Planning Competition challenges multidisciplinary graduate student teams to respond to an existing affordable housing design and planning issue. Teams are composed of graduate students in architecture, planning and policy, finance, business, and other disciplines. The competition challenges students to address social, economic, and environmental issues in responding to a specific housing development problem identified by a partnering public housing agency.

MAPPING TOOLS

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