# How to Use American Fact Finder for Median Household Income Data

*Flash Training*

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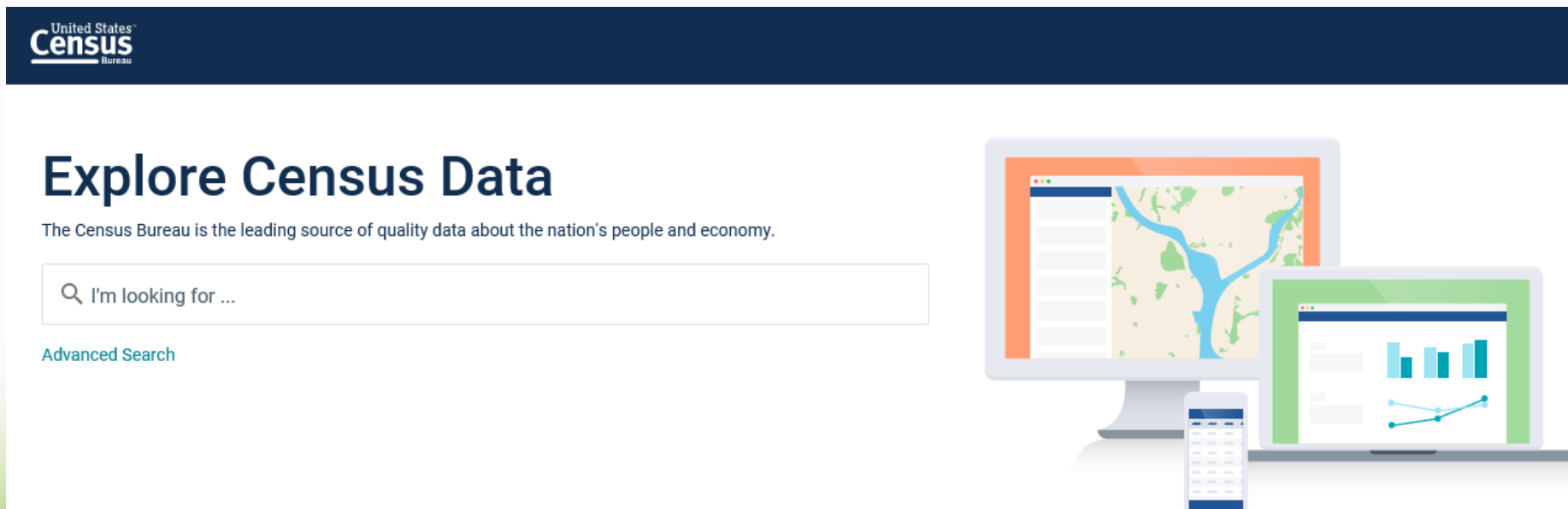
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# Learning Objective

- Learn how to use the new American Fact Finder website for Active Transportation Program (ATP) application's Median Household Income (MHI) Disadvantaged Community (DAC) question.

# The new American Fact Finder Link

- The link is-

https://data.census.gov/cedsci/?intcmp=aff_cedsci_banner

# Step 1

Click on the "I'm looking for…" dialog box and enter **B19013** or if you enter **median household income**- then **B19013: median household income in the past 12 months** is the 1st choice.
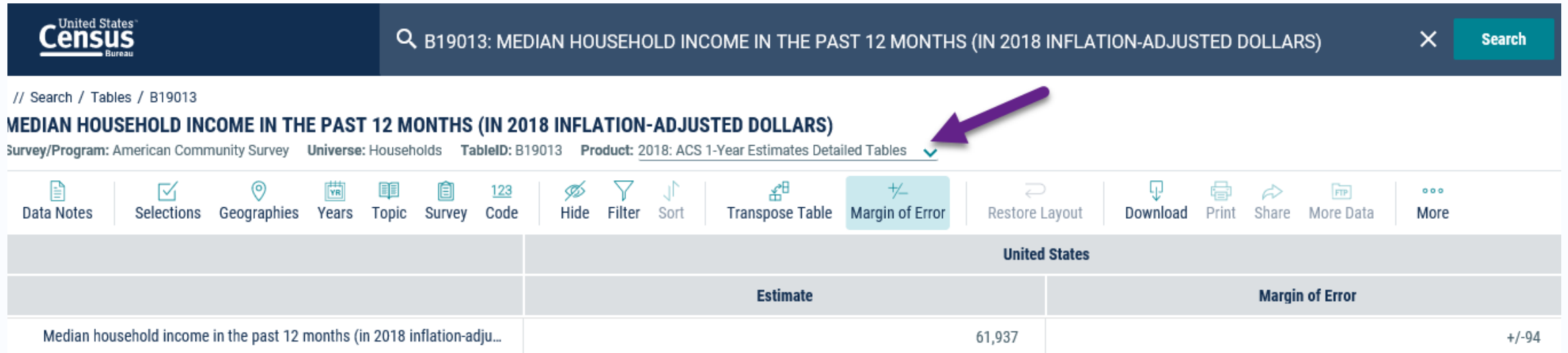
# Step 2

A list of options will show up below the dialog box.

Select-

**Median Household Income in the past 12 months**
**(in 2018 inflation-adjusted dollars)**

# Step 3

This is what your query should have returned.  But we want the 5-year estimate.  Not 1-year.

# Step 3- continued

## Step 3 A

Click on the down arrow

**FLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)**
Product: 2018: ACS 1-Year Estimates Detailed Tables ⌄

## Step 3 B

Select **2018 ACS 5-Year Estimates Detailed Tables**

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# Step 4

The data we have is for the entire United States.

Now we will start drilling down to by clicking on "**Geographies**"

# Step 4 continued

A Geography Menu will show up below, Scroll down to either-

1. "**Tract**" or

2. "**Block Group**"

# Step 5

Another Column will appear that lists the States

- Select **California**
  - Then you can either select "**All Census Tracts within California**"
  - Or the "**County**" that you are interested in

- For the example Sacramento County was selected

# Step 6

At this point you can either select:

- All Census tracts within Sacramento County, or
- Start selecting the specific tracts that your project will be in or that will benefit from the project

For the example Census Tract 8, 11.01 and 12 will be selected

- The tracts are sorted by the first digit, so tract 8 is listed <u>after</u> tract 79



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# Step 7

Once you have selected all of the tracts, click "CLOSE"

# Step 8

The "Print" option is not available at this point so a Screenshot Program was used to copy and paste the information into a document.
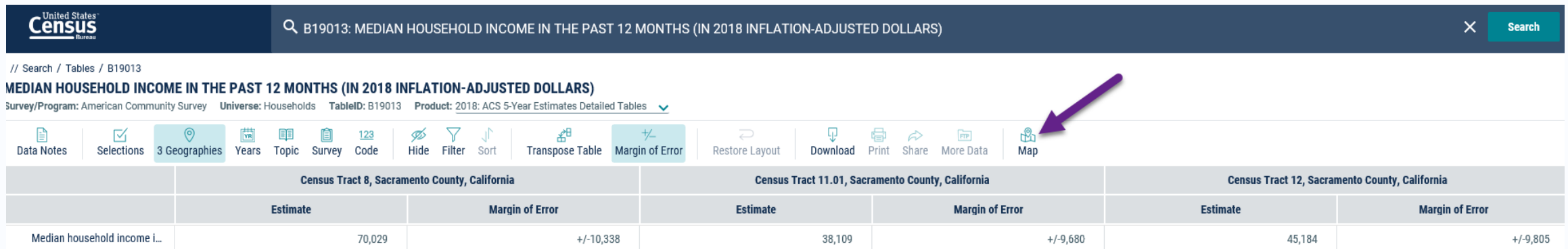


As you can see Census Tract 8 does not qualify as a DAC, MHI=$70,029.

In this example the project is inside Census tract 8, so this information <u>must be</u> entered into the Application's MHI table in the DAC question.

# Step 9

You can then click the "Map" button and a map of your census tract selections will appear.
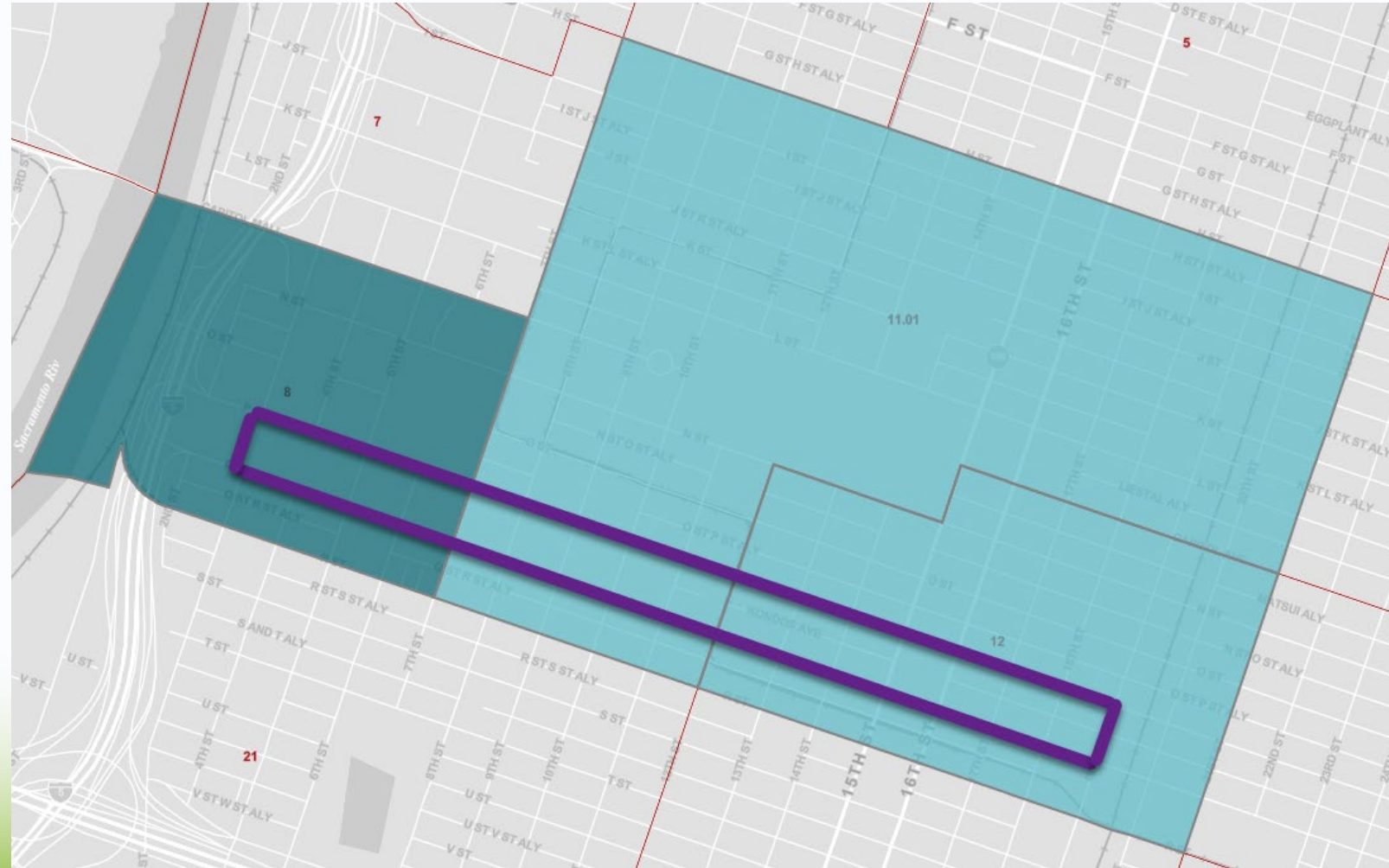
You can use the Screenshot Program that you used in Step 8 to copy the map and draw your project onto the map, and it in the application.

# Step 10

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# Thank you!