

#### Cloud Based "Real-Time" Census Data:



Giving Transportation the API Advantage



### Databases are Tools to Be Used

- It's your job to create a snapshot of American commuting patterns following the 2020 Census.
- But now advances in Cloud computing and mobile device technology have opened the door for new tools to aid you.

# The Beginning of a "See"-

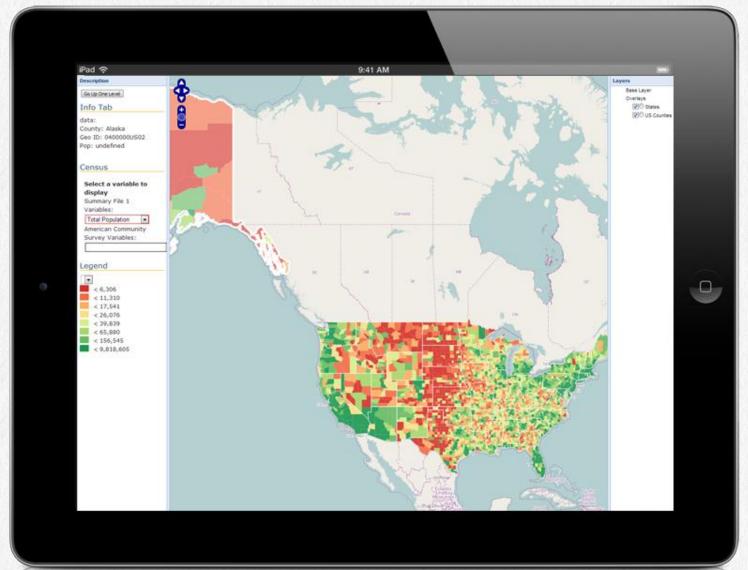
• Right now we have our Tool Belt.

- Inside this tool belt is access to descriptive statistics.
- Census Data can be visualized anywhere – thanks to the newly available API.



#### What's Next?

- SUNY Albany Visualization and Informatics Lab (AVAIL) is currently developing the next set of tools for use in modeling NJ Transit Ridership.
  - This Tool Shelf will be able to perform comparative statistics;
    - Data changes from place to place.
    - Data changes over time.
    - This will help to identify trends in data quickly, easily, and cheaply.



AVAIL Census Viewer simulated on an Apple iPad



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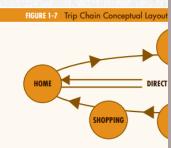
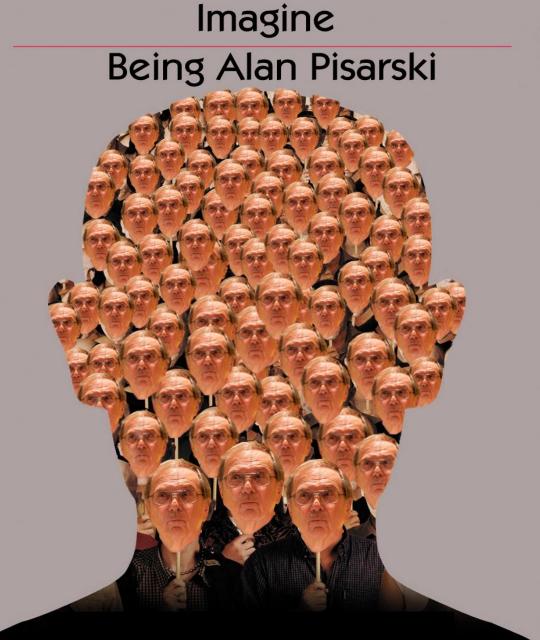
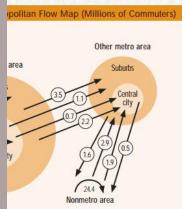


FIGURE 3-3 Metropolitan Flow Map (Mill

Own metro area

Central city





Graphs From: Commuting In America III

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# The Whole Tool Shed Is on the Horizon

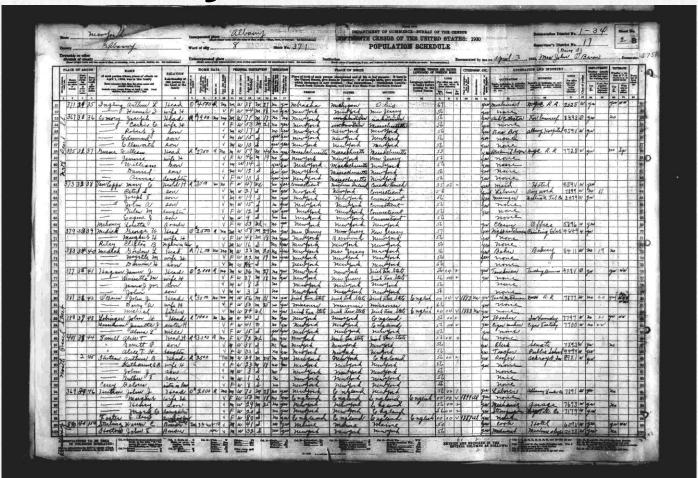
- A community developing tools that work together using many cloud database sources
- Guarantee that all users and all applications are using identical, up-to-date data.



#### Conclusions

- Combining the power and lightness of a query-ready Census API with available mobile devices;
  - Allows for more complete and complex analysis out of the office.
  - Opening up data accessibility opens the door for creative uses for data in ways we can't yet imagine.

## **Any Questions?**



A Record from the 1930 Census in Albany, NY

