



### **AAA 8 Data Methodology**

The purpose of this document is to illustrate the methodology and sources used to tabulate the following figures:

- A) Total 60+ Population**
  - B) Total 60+ Minority Population**
  - C) Total 60+ Poverty Population**
  - D) Total 75+ Population**
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- A) Total 60+ Population**
  - D) Total 75+ Population**

**Source Data:** Census 2000, Summary File 1, Table P12 ‘Sex by Age,’ accessed through American Factfinder, a service of the U.S. Census Bureau. (<http://factfinder.census.gov>) Selections used: geographic type – ‘county subdivision’/’county’; state – ‘Ohio’; county – any of the eight member counties of the Buckeye Hills region; selected geographic areas – ‘all county subdivisions.’

From the ensuing table for each county, only the age cohorts for males and females from ages 60 and beyond were selected. These selections were the sub tabulated to reach the totals indicated in the tables produced for each political subdivision (township area) and county. These selections and their sub tabulations can be found in spreadsheet entitled ‘60+ Population Sub Tabulations.’ For the age 75+ tabulation, the exact same data was used, but only the age cohorts from age 75 and beyond were selected and included.

**Data Clarification:** When accessing the above tables at American Fact Finder, via the selection of ‘all county subdivisions’, Washington County included the Cities of Marietta and Belpre as separate entities aside from township areas. All other counties included these types of subdivisions in their initial calculations. In order to simplify the data for consistency, the City of Marietta data was included in the Marietta Township data, and the City of Belpre data was included in the Belpre Township data. This clarification is clearly listed in the Washington County section of the ‘60+ Population Sub Tabulations’ spreadsheet. In order to verify the accuracy of this combination, and to ensure other political subdivisions (i.e. cities) were not being omitted from the tabulations- each age cohort for ages 60 to 85 and over was tabulated for the included counties. The results

were consistent with what was calculated in the resulting tables and sub tabulations. This data is included as 'Age Cohort Tabulations by County'.

## **B) Total 60+ Minority Population**

**Source Data:** Census 2000, Summary File 1, issued and accessed on DVD. Tables 12B- 'Sex by Age' (Black or African American Alone), 12C- 'Sex by Age' (American Indian and Alaska Native Alone), 12D- 'Sex by Age' (Asian Alone), 12E- 'Sex by Age' (Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander Alone), 12F- 'Sex by Age' (Some Other Race Alone), 12G- 'Sex by Age' (Two or More Races), 12H- 'Sex by Age' (Hispanic or Latino). Age cohorts from 60 to 85 and over for both the male and female classification were sub tabulated to calculate the number of 60+ minority in each political subdivision, and in each county. Any tables with the title 'White Alone' were omitted from this tabulation. These selections and their sub tabulations can be found in spreadsheet entitled '60+ Minority Population Sub Tabulations.'

## **C) 60+ Poverty Population**

**Data Source:** Census 2000, U.S. Census Bureau Special Tabulation on Aging, issued on DVD (May 2005) and internet (<http://www.aoa.gov/prof/Statistics/Tab/specialtab.htm>).

**Data Clarification:** Traditional U.S. Census Bureau products generally provide statistics starting with the age 65 cohort, however Aging programs work with individuals age 60 and older, therefore the special tabulation was needed. The special tabulation produced by the Census Bureau is the only source for poverty information starting at the age 60 cohort. Unfortunately this data only goes down to the county level of accuracy. This data is found in the spreadsheet entitled '60+ Poverty Special Tabulation.'