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Welcome to Carpe Datum's **Federal Data Prospector** (Vol. 2, Issue #2). With Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa all converging this week, Carpe Datum wants to wish you all a hearty **happy holidays!** We thank you all for reading our weekly newsletter and please be sure to forward it to colleagues, friends and even family members - it makes for a wonderful holiday gift!

- **Request for Proposal – Department of Commerce/National Technical Information Service (NTIS) - Opportunity To Enter Into a Joint Venture Partnership With the National Technical Information Service for Data Innovation Support:** The National Technical Information Service (NTIS) requests proposals from interested private-sector organizations to assist Federal agencies in the development and implementation of innovative ways to collect, connect, access, secure, analyze, disseminate and enable effective and efficient use of data to address unique and complex national data priorities.

In other data news, on December 19, **Federal Computer Week's** Mark Rockwell wrote an article entitled "**USPS, CBP share shipping data to track opioids**". In summary, a year into an effort to close a critical gap in international drug trafficking through the mail, the U.S. Postal Service is gaining some ground in sharing data on international shipments with Customs and Border Protection, according to a government watchdog study. Here's an excerpt:

- "The STOP Act set goals for USPS to gather AED on international shipments from foreign shippers and transmit the data to CBP. Data elements include information on the sender, recipient, contents as well as an identifier number. CBP analyzes the data through its National Targeting Center to detect suspect shipments and requests USPS stop targeted packages for inspection."

The Carpe Datum Team

Opportunities & Solicitations

RFI: Continuous Process Improvement
Defense of Defense

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The Army National Guard, Business Transformation Office, is seeking potential sources, current capabilities, best practice

information and cost information for supporting the National Guard's economy of business operations, process improvement efficiencies, and Integrated Management System...

Opportunity To Enter Into a Joint Venture Partnership With the National Technical Information Service for Data Innovation Support
Department of Commerce

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Web Data Collection
Department of Education

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The Government is conducting market research to: Determine what sources exist that are capable of satisfying the Government's requirements, Determine the capabilities of potential contractors, Determine the size and status of potential sources, and Determine the level of competition...

Data Analytics Tool/Software
Department of Defense

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NAVSUP FLC Norfolk is seeking information concerning the capability of contractors to provide a collaborative platform that allows for both self-service analytics and the operationalization of machine learning models in production...

FHWA 2020 EAR BAA
Department of Transportation

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The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is soliciting for proposals under its EAR Program for research projects that could lead to transformational changes and truly revolutionary advances in highway engineering and intermodal surface transportation in the United States...

- [RFI - Identity Proofing and Verification \(Securities and Exchange Commission\)](#)
- [Trademark Image Search Capabilities and Identification and Class Determination of Goods and Services \(AI\) \(Department of Commerce\)](#)
- [RDA II Solicitation \(Department of Defense\)](#)

Agency News 

Agencies Can Start Prepping Systems for DUNS Transition

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The government will need to prepare for next year's transition or risk the federal contracting version of Y2K...

Commerce Partnership Opportunity Aims to Amplify Feds' Data Use

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The department's National Technical Information Service is looking for services to help agencies use data as an asset...

FY20 Budget Moves from House to Senate

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The House has passed appropriations bills to the Senate for FY2020, and there are important developments for statistical agencies...

USPS, CBP share shipping data to track opioids

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- Census Bureau showcases data projects to optimize 2020 population count
- HUD, USDA throwing a little spaghetti against the wall to see what big data projects stick
- Data Evangelists Spread the Word on Boosting Government Performance
- DOT harnesses machine learning for regulations
- HHS looking to hire another chief data officer to spread best practices
- DoD to 'Continue to Modernize Vetting and Security Enterprises' After Pensacola Shooting
- Special Counsel Alerts White House and Congress of 'Significant Financial Mismanagement' at VA



Industry Highlights

What Citizens Are Trying to Tell Us

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Agencies have long struggled with how to both improve customer experience and reduce cost to serve. For many, these have seemed competing ambitions...

Experian Offers Its Data Products on the Newly Launched AWS Data Exchange

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More Than 100 Data Products from Experian Are Now Available in AWS Data Exchange...

Analysis: How McKinsey Makes Its Own Rules

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The consulting giant, which likes to compare itself to the Marines and the Catholic Church, has a habit of disregarding rules and norms in its government work...

- Neustar approved as Initial Secure Telephone Identity Certification Authority
- A reform agenda for government data
- People should be held accountable for AI and algorithm errors
- Visualizing scientific big data in informative and interactive ways
- Andrew McClenahan Joins LexisNexis Risk Solutions' Federal Group
- Simon Data Triples Enterprise Client Count, Grows Talent by 75%, and Unveils New Brand Identity
- Bureau van Dijk Named Category Leader in Chartis KYC Report
- How do other businesses see your business?

Industry Events

The Best Data Analytics Events and Conferences to Attend in 2020

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Date: February 9-14, May 10-May 15, August 16-21, November 8-13
Location: Las Vegas, NV, Chicago, IL, San Diego, CA, Orlando, FL.

2020 Health Datapalooza

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Date: February 10-11, 2020
Location: Marriott Marquis, Washington, D.C.

Big Data, Safe Food Conference

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Date: May 11-12, 2020
Location: Purdue University

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