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Welcome to Carpe Datum's **Federal Data Prospector** (Vol. 2, Issue 43). Just when we thought things couldn't get crazier this year, many of us watched a Presidential Debate unlike any other and then POTUS comes down with COVID-19. With three months left in the 2020 calendar year, we have but one request....check please!

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**Request for Information (RFI) –General Services Administration (GSA) -- Data Readiness Services for Artificial Intelligence** – The purpose of this RFI is to gain knowledge of interest, capabilities and qualifications of both small and large businesses to provide development services to meet the Artificial Intelligence (AI) Data Readiness needs of the Government.

- Enterprise Information Management and Governance
- Data Architecture and Preparation
- Data Quality
- Automated Data Collection
- Data Labeling
- Synthetic Data
- Data Wrangling
- NLP and Text Processing
- Transfer Learning and Algorithm Management
- Standardized Data Science and AI Pipelines
- Data Science and AI Outreach and Innovative Development Mechanisms

In other data news, on October 2nd, **JD Supra** published an interesting article entitled “**ACAMS: Analyzing Operation Stolen Promise**” in which the author, Tad Simons, describes when Congress passed the \$2.2 trillion Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act in March, officials at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) knew what to expect: plenty of fraud.

- “Locating actionable intelligence is HSI’s goal, Spero said, and leads can still come from traditional sources, such as reviews of filed Suspicious Activity Reports (SARs) — but data analytics and financial forensics are the agency’s new frontier. HSI even has a new data-analysis program called the Innovation Lab, which Spero credits for developing algorithms “to help identify cases we never would have known about before.””

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## Data Readiness Services for Artificial Intelligence GSA

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## NGA Commercial Data and Analytic Services Planned Investment Areas for FY21 Industry Day *Dept. of Defense*

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NGA's Source Commercial and Business Operations Group will host to a Virtual Industry Day on 12 November 2020 to discuss fiscal year (FY) 2021 planned investment areas for Commercial Data and Analytic Services, as well as long term focus areas as being defined in the Commercial Services Needs Study...

## DATA SCIENCE IN THE OPERATIONS CENTER (OC) *Dept. of Defense*

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The Air Force is interested in novel methods to develop a work bench, work flow, or ecosystem that enables rapid integration of new data for use in Operations Centers (OCs) and brings it to bear on mission directives to improve the efficiency and accuracy of operations...

## US Domestic Loan Program - Credit Risk Scoring Models and Tools *US International Development Finance Corporation*

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DFC seeks to acquire credit risk scoring models that measure potential credit losses for a portfolio segment covering US companies and projects engaged in the domestic production and distribution of strategic resources and/or technology...

- SEC Securities Based Swaps Data Services; Securities Based Swaps Market Surveillance Services - SEC
- NOAA Commercial Satellite Data (Including Weather and Space Environmental Data) Request for Information - Dept. of Commerce
- Request for Information: Artificial Intelligence for Design Patent Applications - Dept. of Commerce
- Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program (MEP), Program Evaluation and Economic Research Group (PEER) Data Analysis Support Services - Dept. of Commerce



**D&B subscription**  
*Dept. of Treasury*

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The purpose of this limited-sources justification is to obtain approval to award a firm-fixed- price task order with Dun & Bradstreet (D&B)...

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**Thorn API Development and Data Subscription**  
*Dept. of Justice*

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The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) intends to award a sole source purchase order to Thorn 1240 Rosecrans BoulevaRd, Suite 120, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 for API development and Spotlight data subscription...

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**U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), Office of Credit Risk Management (OCRM), Technology and Loan File Compliance Processing Solution**  
*SBA*

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In accordance with FAR 8.405-6, this is a Limited Source Justification for the requirement entitled, "U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), Office of Credit Risk Management (OCRM), Technology and Loan File Compliance Processing Solution..."

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**Bloomberg Finance Subscription**  
*Export-Import Bank of the US*

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This is a Special Notice of Intent to award a sole source Firm Fixed-Price contract to Bloomberg Finance L.P. located at 731 Lexington Ave, NYC, New York 10022-1331...

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- Subscription Service Renewal - Dept. of Agriculture
- Notification of the SEC's intent to award a sole source purchase order for subscription to Pitchbook Data, Inc. - Securities & Exchange Commission
- CFTC Sole Souce - S&P Global PLATTS Data Feeds - Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- Notification of the SEC's intent to award a sole source purchase order for subscription to Greenwich Associates LLC - SEC

## Opportunity Updates



**Global Trade Atlas Subscription**  
*Dept. of Homeland Security*

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**Pharmacy Prescription Data Software Licenses and Maintenance**  
*Dept. of Justice*

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Advancing Computing Technology and Applications  
*Dept. of Defense*

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## Contract Awards

### Chainalysis and Texas firm win million-dollar IRS contract to crack Monero

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The IRS has named the winners of its bounty program to track transactions on privacy tokens and layer-2 protocols...



## Agency News

### ACAMS: Analyzing Operation Stolen Promise

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### COVID-19 Exposes Need to Modernize U.S. Public Health Data System, Experts Say

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At a Tuesday webinar, legislators, public health officials and data experts gathered to discuss the need for new policies around public health data. Charles Rothwell, former head of the Health and Human Services Department's National Center for Health Statistics, said he wished he had anything positive to say about the federal government's health data standards...

### Lawmakers: Did DHS Surveil Portland Protesters' Phones?

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Lawmakers want to know if federal agencies intercepted messages or collected cellphone data—including through commercial sources—during Portland protests...

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- [Global financial system again under scrutiny: FinCen leaks](#)
  - [Air Force Wants Novel Ideas for Building 'Data Scientist's Ecosystems' at Operations Centers](#)
  - [Two companies charged in landmark SEC data analytics cases](#)



## Democracy suffers when government statistics fail

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The United States must change how it measures society, argues metrics maven Julia Lane...

## PRAC builds data transparency to create 'citizen watchdogs' for pandemic fraud

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The coronavirus pandemic, however, has uncovered longstanding gaps in the federal government's data-sharing infrastructure as much as it demonstrated deficiencies in its response plan for public health emergencies...

## Many Consumers Don't Trust the Way Companies are Using Their Data—and Businesses Need to Change that Perception

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Data privacy, particularly for personally identifiable information, has become more important for consumers; Many consumers do not trust how companies are using their data; Businesses need to take steps to ensure optimum data security and privacy...

## COVID-19 Is Revealing Problems With How Hawaii's Government Uses Data

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There doesn't seem to be a clear data strategy for the virus response...

- [Cloud computing: the future of public sector analytics](#)
- [Big Data Has Big Racism Problem](#)
- [Treading the unusual alliance between Big Tech and the government post-Covid 19](#)
- [Reimagining Recovery Using Private Sector Indicators](#)
- [Guiyang Is Applying the Big Data Solution to Promote People's Well-being](#)
- [How to Approach Supply Chain Risk Management](#)

## Industry Highlights



## Zeotap Joins Prebid with ID+ Universal Marketing Identity Solution

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The global Customer Intelligence Platform Zeotap, announced today that ID+, its universal marketing identity solution launched in July 2020, is now available as a module of Prebid, the most widely used header bidding platform for publishers...

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### TransUnion Continues Its Ad Tech Buying Spree With Tru Optik Acquisition

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TransUnion has its eye on the cookieless future with its acquisition of Tru Optik, announced on Thursday....

### Usha Chaudhary: Leveraging Multi-Disciplinary Experience to Solve Problems for A Safer World

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Usha Chaudhary is the Senior Vice President for Corporate Operations and Chief Transformation Officer at MITRE...

- Chainalysis Expands APAC Presence, Opens Tokyo & Singapore Offices
- Tamr Announces Cloud-Native Capabilities On AWS To Help Customers Achieve Cost-Effective Data Mastering
- Infogroup Rebrands Company Name to Data Axle
- From Experian And Equifax To Infutor, Why Data Guru Kevin Dean Will Never Stop Asking 'Why'
- The secretive Wall Street company that is worth \$31b but has never made a profit
- Moody's Enhances Flagship Moody's CreditView Platform With ESG Expertise
- Nielsen's Global Consumer Business Reinforces Commitment To Chicago As Site Of Global Headquarters
- NCATS Awards Palantir Technologies Inc. \$36M Contract to Support its Secure Scientific Platforms Environment
- Comscore and LiveRamp Unveil Next Generation of Outcome-Based Measurement with Launch of Enhanced Data Plus Math Offering
- DiscoverOrg Alternative Way to Connect with Ideal B2B Customers
- What's New in Esri Demographics (Sep 2020)
- TechBytes with Matt Spiegel, EVP of Marketing Solutions at TransUnion
- ASGN Inc. buys Fredericksburg data science firm
- IBM Brings Risk Analytics to Security Decision Making
- Jumio builds out biometric end-to-end identity verification solution with Beam Solutions' AML platform acquisition
- PwC's global crypto tax report reveals the need for further regulatory guidance
- Dun & Bradstreet appoints new Head of Insurance
- LexisNexis ID Compass Platform offers multi-layered approach to identity authentication
- Verisk Appoints General Vincent Brooks to Board of Directors
- Experian North America Expands Commitment to Culture of Inclusion with First Chief Diversity, Inclusion & Belonging Officer



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