Instructions for Finding Median Household Income Data in the Virtual Labor Market Data System

Begin at the menu page https://dlr.sd.gov/lmic/menu_income.aspx. Under the “Income Data” heading, choose the following option:

- **Median Household Income** from the U.S. Census Bureau (available for the United States, South Dakota and Counties)

Then follow the instructions below. (Chrome or Edge browser recommended; functionality in the virtual system is not compatible with Internet Explorer.)

If you need additional assistance or would like us to provide the data you need, please contact the Labor Market Information Center at 605.626.2314 or email melodee.lane@state.sd.us.

After clicking on the link for “Median Household Income,” you should see the screen shown below. The most current South Dakota median household income data will already be displayed.
1. Click on “Filter” to find median household income data for another area (United States) or another time period.

2. Click in the “State” box to select United States data instead of or in addition to South Dakota data.

Click anywhere outside a drop-down box to close it and continue with the next step.
3. Click in the “Geography Type” box and select the types of geographical areas for which you would like data: U.S., State and/or County.
4. Click in the “Area Name” box and select each area for which you want median household income data (US, South Dakota and/or any counties). Note: you may also use the “Select All” option near the top of the box.
5. Only annual data is available, so leave the default Time Period Type set as Annual.

6. Click in the Select Time Period(s) box to select each year for which you want data. Data is available back to 1984 for US and South Dakota, and back to 1989 for counties. Note: you may also use the “Select All” option near the top of the box.

7. Leave the Income Type set to the default of Median household income.