Radius of Opportunity

The U.S. Census Bureau, in collaboration with Harvard University, recently released a new interactive data tool, data tables, and a research paper on young adult migration.

The new study examines the migration patterns and explores where people go between childhood and young adulthood. It also analyzes how those patterns differ across demographic groups and whether people move greater distances to take advantage of job opportunities.

Here are some of the findings:

- Nearly six in 10 young adults live within 10 miles of where they grew up
- Eight in 10 live within 100 miles
- The prospect of higher earnings in more distant locations does little to change these patterns

Visit our America Counts page census.gov to learn more. And you can explore the data yourself by visiting migration patterns.org.