Errata for "Exploring the U.S. Census: Your Guide to America's Data" Frank Donnelly, SAGE Publications, Los Angeles, 2020

General Notes: since the publication of the book, the websites for data.census.gov and the Missouri Census Data Center (MCDC) have changed, so that some screenshots in the book no longer reflect the current websites. The changes are purely cosmetic and relatively minor. For data.census.gov, the initial home page looks different, but the regular and advanced search tools function the same as before. The MCDC's new url is http://mcdc.missouri.edu/, and the old url http://census.missouri.edu/, will redirect you to the new site. All of the profiles and tools that were previously available as links on the right-hand side of the page are now available via the dropdown menus at the top of the page.

Specific Notes:

- 1. Chapter 1, page 19, 1st sentence:
- "... an investment firm checked Facebook's numbers against the latest census data and found that there are only 31 million adults in the United States aged 18 to 24 and 35 million aged 25 to 34 (Hem, 2017; Swant, 2017)."

The correct figure for adults aged 25 to 34 is 45 million, not 35 million. The citation for Hem is also incorrect; it should be Hern 2017. The estimate of 45 million matches the 2016 ACS estimate and is correctly cited by Hern; Swant cited the statistic incorrectly as 35 million.

2. Chapter 2, pages 37 and 38, Figure 2.14 "Importing CSV Data with LibreOffice Calc" and Figure 2.15 "Viewing Data in LibreOffice Calc":

These figures are incorrect screenshots that depict county-level data for California; they should represent county-level data for Nevada.

3. Chapter 3, page 51, 2nd paragraph, 4th sentence:

"The two-digit 06 code is the FIPS for California, and within Nevada, 001 is the FIPS for Churchill County. "

Is incorrect. It should read:

4. Chapter 3, page 53, Figure 3.2 "Census Regions and Divisions":

The state label for Utah (UT) is missing; it should appear just under the label for the Mountain Division.

5. Chapter 3, page 60, Figure 3.3 "Census Geography Hierarchy and Nesting"

The ANSI FIPS label at the top of the figure and the state code for Delaware contain leading zeros which should not be there. The correct codes are: 100030101041017 and 10 respectively.

6. Chapter 9, page 286, 1st paragraph, 2nd sentence:

"Since the estimates are not precise, each one is published with a MOE that indicates what the possible range of values is."

The acronym MOE should be spelled out as "margin of error", as this sentence is part of an example on how to write about census data for non-experts. It was incorrectly abbreviated during copy editing.

7. Chapter 9, page 299, 3rd paragraph, 2nd sentence:

"This may not seem like a groundbreaking observation unless you compare the Unites States with..."

There's a typographical error where "Unites" should be "United".

8. Chapter 12, page 386, 1st paragraph, 3rd sentence:

"The default coordinating reference system for..."

Is incorrect. It should read:

"The default coordinate reference system for..."

9. References, page 408, entry for Hem, A.

The last name of the author is incorrect. The correct name is "Hern".