

Census Designated Place Layer

Michigan Geographic Framework

Field Definitions

(Shapefile Attribute Table)
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The following field definitions make up the shapefile attribute table called Census Designated Places. Census designated places (CDPs) are closely settled, named, unincorporated communities that generally contain a mixture of residential, commercial, and retail areas similar to those found in incorporated places of similar sizes.

The attribute table can be found in the file Cdp_999v14a.DBF where 999 equals the FIPS county number contained in the file. The FIPS county numbering system uses odd numbers only. The numbers are assigned in alphabetical order. For example, county 001 is Alcona and county 165 is Wexford.

Please Note: If you have any questions about the framework data you have received, please contact Josh Ross at the Center for Shared Solutions and Technology Partnerships. Phone: 517-373-7910, email: rossj@michigan.gov

Field Name	Type	Size	Description	Comments
FIPSCODE	C	5	Federal Number Identifying a Census Designated Place (CDP)	This Census Designated Place layer is being distributed by county. If a Census Designated Place is split by a county boundary, the entire Census Designated Place will not be provided with a single county's shapefile. Both county's Census Designated Place layers that contain part of the Census Designated Place boundary would be needed to obtain the entire Census Designated Place boundary.
FIPSNUM	N	5	Federal Number Identifying a Census Designated Place (CDP)	FIPSCODE as a numeric value.
NAME	C	37	Census Designated Place Name	Census Designated Place names are provided without a suffix. For example, the Census Designated Place Haslett will be provided as Haslett.
LABEL	C	37	Census Designated Place Name with Suffix	Census Designated Place labels are provided with a suffix. For example, the Census Designated Place Haslett will be provided as Haslett CDP.
TYPE	C	2	Type of Polygon feature	The type will be CDP for the Census Designated Place Layer

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Field Name	Type	Size	Description	Comments
LINK	C	8	Link Number.	Concatenating the Federal Information Processing System (FIPS) county code with the Place number creates the Link number. The LINK number accounts for CDPs that are split by a county line. The LINK numbers also allow the polygons to be linked to census data.
CNTY_CODE	C	3	Federal Number Identifying a County	The value represents the county that the polygon feature is geographically located.
SQKM	N	16,3	Area in Square Kilometers	The values in these three area fields are calculated from the square meter area field in the ArcInfo Polygon Attribute Table (PAT).
SQMILES	N	16,3	Area in Square Miles	
ACRES	N	16,3	Area in Acres	
VER	C	3	Michigan Geographic Framework Version Number	The VER field contains the Michigan Geographic Framework version from which the layer was created.
LAYOUT	C	10	Paper orientation for printing maps	This field is used to determine paper layout when creating cartographic products
PENINSULA	C	5	Peninsula that the polygon is located	

Type: C Character
 N Numeric