

# Statewide Census Tract Layer 2010

## Michigan Geographic Framework

### Field Definitions

(Shapefile Attribute Table)  
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The following field definitions make up the shapefile attribute table called Statewide Census Tracts 2010. The attribute table can be found in the file tract10\_MI\_v14a.DBF. The attributes describe the data attached to polygons that represent U.S. Census tract 2010 boundaries as assigned to the Michigan Geographic Framework (MGF).

**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](mailto:rossj@michigan.gov)

| Field Name | Type | Size | Description  | Comments   |
|------------|------|------|--|--|
| NAME       | C    | 6    | US Bureau of the Census 2010 tract number                  | Census Tracts are small areas created for statistical purposes that usually average about 4000 people.   |
| LABEL      | C    | 13   | Tract Label  | This field has been filled with a 4-digit tract number when a TRACT10 number's last two digits are 00. If the last two digits are other than 00 then the TRACT_LBL field will contain a format of 4 numbers, a period, then two more numbers. For example a TRACT10 field containing 930400 would place 9304 in the TRACT_LBL field. A TRACT10 number of 980201 would place 9802.01 in the TRACT_LBL field. This labeling procedure allows Census geography based maps to be more easily read. |
| TYPE       | C    | 2    | Type of Polygon feature                                    | The type will be Tract for the Census Tracts Layer.  |
| LINK       | C    | 9    | The LINK field is assigned with a unique identifier number | Unique identifier created by concatenating the Federal Information Processing System (FIPS) county code number with the TRACT10 number. The LINK numbers allow the polygons to be linked to census data.   |

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| Field Name | Type | Size | Description                                  | Comments   |
|------------|------|------|--|--|
| CNTY_CODE  | C    | 3    | Federal Number Identifying a County          | The value represents the county in which the polygon feature is geographically located.<br><br>The values in these three area fields are calculated from the square meter area field in the ArcInfo Polygon Attribute Table (PAT). |
| SQKM       | N    | 16,3 | Area in Square Kilometers                    |  |
| 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 in which the polygon is located    |  |

**Type:** C      Character  
           N      Numeric