

## Instructions for data download: Adjusted Census block files

The following data files are being made available to support redistricting in compliance with Maryland State law that census data must be adjusted to reassign Maryland residents in state and federal correctional institutions to their last known address and to exclude out-of-state residents in correctional institutions from redistricting.

- 1) ESRI Geodatabase (version 9.3): **2010\_Adjusted\_BlockLevel\_Data.zip** (file size = 70 mg). This file contains blocks and voting district data needed for redistricting.
- 2) Shapefile: **2010\_Adjusted\_BlockLevel\_Shapefile.zip** (file size = 68 mg). This file contains blocks and voting district data needed for redistricting. *Note that data from one of the files listed below will need to be joined to the shape file to support analysis. This was done to eliminate truncating of field names and attributes in creation of the shapefile. Joins should be based on block number.*
- 3) Text files: **2010\_Adjusted\_BlockLevel\_ASCII.zip** (file size = 5 mg). Adjusted block data (2 files) for total population and 18+ population.
- 4) Excel files: **2010\_Adjusted\_BlockLevel\_Excel.zip** (file size = 53 mg). Adjusted block data (2 files) for total population and 18+ population.

All files are statewide files. Note the complete census geography (e.g. intersections, hydrography, block groups, etc.) has not been provided. This was done to reduce file size for downloads and to provide the essential information for redistricting. If the complete census geography is needed for mapping or reference purposes it can be downloaded from the MDP website at:

<http://planning.maryland.gov/msdc/home.shtml>

Precinct boundaries and data are also available on the MDP website and can be downloaded here. Precinct2010.zip (file size = 53 mg).

<http://planning.maryland.gov/Redistricting/2010process.shtml>

Documentation for census geographic identifiers can be found here:

<http://planning.maryland.gov/msdc/census/cen2010/pl94-171/rawdata/plrawidx.shtml>

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