

README File for Demographic Profile Webmap Viewer Data Download: School Districts

I. Zip file contents

The zip file contains a .txt file and shapefile for each data profile table (e.g., S001 or DP02). There is also a CSV file that contains the data profile table shells.

II. CSV file of table shells

The CSV file contains the field and header names, the relationship to source fields or headers, and the labels for each line of all data profile tables. Data fields are identified by the combination of the table id and a whole number (e.g., DP02_1). The headers are denoted with an underscore and “8” or “5” after the field number that it follows (e.g., DP02_35_5). The TITLE column contains the labels for each field and header. There is also a list of how the field is nested within the full data profile table (column PATH). The PARENT_FIELD column contains the associated header or the source of the field.

III. Components of the GEOID

The geography identifier (GEOID) is the first field in the .txt files. The GEOID is made up of a three-digit summary level, a two-digit component (always “00” for school districts), a constant “US,” and the unique geographic area code within the summary level.

Summary Level

The three-digit summary level is the critical element in identifying the geographic area type for each record. School districts can be in one of three geographic area types:

- 950 Elementary School Districts
- 960 Secondary School Districts
- 970 Unified School Districts

School District Geographic Area Codes

The school district geographic area codes are a combination of a State (FIPS) code and a five-digit local education agency (school district) code as assigned by NCES. The seven-digit code makes up the School District Geographic Area Code.

An example of a school district geoid is 97000US0400001 for Cave Creek Unified District in Arizona. The summary level for Cave Creek Unified District is 970. The School District Geographic Area Code is 0400001.

IV. Data Value Placeholders

The values of -6666666666, -88888888, -22222222, etc. mean the data is not available or is not presentable given the nature or context of the estimate.