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# 2009 TIGER/LINE<sup>®</sup> SHAPEFILES

TIGER/Line<sup>®</sup> Shapefiles include features such as roads, railroads, and rivers, as well as legal and statistical geographic areas for all 50 states, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Island Areas.

## What's new for 2009?

- 111<sup>th</sup> Congressional District boundaries
- 15 new state-based shapefiles:
  - American Indian/Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian (Census 2000 and current)
  - American Indian Tribal Subdivisions (Census 2000 and current)
  - Combined Statistical Areas (current)
  - Metropolitan Statistical Area/Micropolitan Statistical Area (current)
  - Metropolitan Division (current)
  - Military Installation (current)
  - Combined New England City and Town Area (current)
  - New England City and Town Area (current)
  - New England City and Town Area Division (current)
  - State and Equivalent (Census 2000 and current)
  - 5-Digit ZIP Code Tabulation Area (2002)
  - 3-Digit ZIP Code Tabulation Area (2002)
- New shapefile – Topological Faces (Polygons with all Geocodes) – formerly a relationship file
- Addition of Internal Point coordinates and Area Measurement

## When & Where will they be available?

- **Released October 1, 2009**
- Available at:
  - TIGER/Line Shapefiles website – <<http://www.census.gov/geo/www/tiger/>>
  - Census Bureau's ftp site – <<ftp://ftp2.census.gov/geo/tiger>>
  - Data.gov Geodata Catalog - <<http://www.data.gov/catalog/geodata>>

## Questions?

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# LOOKING BEYOND THE 2009 TIGER/LINE<sup>®</sup> SHAPEFILES

## When will the next TIGER/Line<sup>®</sup> Shapefiles be released?

- 2010 Census TIGER/Line<sup>®</sup> Shapefiles will start being released to the public in early 2011
- TIGER/Line<sup>®</sup> Shapefiles will not be released in calendar year 2010

## What will be in the 2010 Census TIGER/Line<sup>®</sup> Shapefiles?

- The initial 2010 Census TIGER/Line<sup>®</sup> Shapefiles will contain state and county-based shapefiles, followed by the American Indian area and nation-based shapefiles.
- 2010 Census and Census 2000 geography
- Geographic areas defined post-2010 Census will be released as they become available through 2013. Areas defined post-2010 Census include:
  - 113<sup>th</sup> Congressional Districts
  - Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas and related statistical areas
  - Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMAs)
  - Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZ)
  - Urban Areas
  - ZIP Code Tabulation Areas (ZCTA)

## Any changes expected for 2010 Census TIGER/Line<sup>®</sup> Shapefiles?

- Several changes are currently under consideration for the 2010 Census TIGER/Line<sup>®</sup> Shapefiles.
- In addition to the existing All Lines Shapefile we are considering adding:
  - Roads only shapefile
  - Rail only shapefile
  - Linear hydrography only shapefile
- In the metadata:
  - Provide a unique description for each file type
  - Include the file layout inside the metadata
  - Provide direct links to the file on the Census Bureau's website
  - Provide link to the technical documentation on the Census Bureau's website
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