2020 Census
Participant Statistical Areas Program
(Census PSAP)

for the NCTCOG Region

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NCTCOG – Primary Participant for 16-County Region
Project Structure for Region
NCTCOG’s Role

Our Responsibilities:
• Liaison with Census Bureau.

• Provide information about program to stakeholders.

• Receive boundary changes from all stakeholders.

• Resolve any boundary recommendation conflicts between adjacent or overlapping entities.

• Make final submissions for each of the 16 counties.
NCTCOG’s 2020 Census PSAP Team

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• Arash Mirzaei

• Amanda Long-Rodriguez
• Erin Lewis
• David Tidwell
• Jesse Brown
Why Should You be Involved?

• To meet minimum and maximum population/household thresholds.
• To consider new housing or business developments.
• To respect new roadways and structures.
• To modify unusual shapes of tracts/block groups.

• To separate employment centers where there is little to no population such as hospitals, parks/water, and shopping centers.
NCTCOG’s Boundary Review

- NCTCOG has been reviewing the 2010 Census Tract, Block Group, CDP and CCD boundaries to see where splits and merges are required and needed.

- NCTCOG is developing an initial draft of the 2020 boundaries that will make available for each entity to review and on which to comment.

- NCTCOG is using American Community Survey 2017 5-year numbers to determine if Census Tracts and Block Groups need to be split or merged.
Identifying Census Tracts to Review

Census Tract Considerations:
• Census tracts nest in counties.
• Changes are generally limited to merge and split.

2010 Tracts – 1,351
2020 required merges (below Census Bureau minimum)– 16
2020 required splits (above Census Bureau maximum) – 191

NCTCOG is reviewing all tracts above 6,000 in population, lower than Census’s population maximum of 8,000. Therefore, we have 439 total tracts being considered for splits.
NCTCOG Census Tract Update

NCTCOG is considering the following to update tracts.

- Roadways
- Streams
- Land Use
- City Boundaries

NCTCOG is also considering number of households in each tract, in addition to population and housing units.
Census Tract – Split by I-35

Original Tract
0204.01
Pop: 9,137
Housing: 3,040

0204.01S01
Pop: 4,507
Housing: 1,468

0204.01S02
Pop: 4,637
Housing: 1,763
Census Block Groups
Block Group Criteria

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<th>Block Groups</th>
<th>Characteristics</th>
<th>National coverage?</th>
<th>Nests within:</th>
<th>Population threshold</th>
<th>Housing Threshold</th>
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<td>Standard county based and tribal reservation based</td>
<td>Form the geographic framework within which census blocks are numbered. Smallest area for which demographic statistics are produced from the American Community Survey (ACS).</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Census tracts</td>
<td>Minimum: 600</td>
<td>Maximum: 240</td>
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<td>Special land use</td>
<td>Distinguish areas of little or no population that have a specific type of land use AND are coextensive with a special land use census tract. Large water bodies.</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Census tracts</td>
<td>Little/None or must be within standard block groups thresholds. Area measurement thresholds are no longer applicable for special land use block groups. Recommend 600 employment</td>
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- Block Groups nest in Census Tracts.
- There are a maximum of 9 block groups and 1 water block group within a tract.
- Block group boundaries do not have to be maintained from Census 2010. These could be completely redrawn, if desired.
Special Block Group Illustration | PSAP 2010

● = 20 residents
● = 20 employees
☐ = block group
Special Block Group Illustration | Census PSAP 2020

- = 20 residents
- = 20 employees
- = block group
NCTCOG Block Groups

Block Groups Numbers
- 2010 - 4,251
- 2020 required splits – 447
- 2020 required merges – 249
- 2020 block groups changed (required split/merges + parent tract change) – 1,956

NCTCOG is considering the following to update and possibly redraw block groups.
- Roadways
- Streams
- Land Use
- City Boundaries
- Demographics
Census Designated Places (CDPs)
Census Designated Places

NCTCOG currently has 17 CDPS.

**Collin**: Westminster
**Denton**: Lantana, Paloma Creek, Paloma Creek S, Savannah
**Ellis**: Bristol
**Hood**: Canyon Creek, Oak Trail Shores, Pecan Plantation*
**Johnson**: Pecan Plantation*
**Kaufman**: Elmo, Travis Ranch
**Palo Pinto**: Palo Pinto
**Parker**: Briar**, Horseshoe Bend, Western Lake
**Tarrant**: Briar**, Pecan Acres*, Rendon
**Wise**: Briar**, Pecan Acres*
Census Designated Places

NCTCOG has reviewed municipal utility districts (MUDs) in our region that now have had significant development and potential for more. From these, we would recommend four additional CDPs.

- Bear Creek Ranch (Dallas)
- Kingsborough (Kaufman)
- Seis Lagos (Collin)
- Windmill Farms (Kaufman)

Entities are welcome to suggest additions or other changes.
Census Designated Places - 2020
Census County Divisions (CCDs)
Census County Divisions

NCTCOG does not plan to make changes to the 71 Census County Divisions. Entities are welcome to suggest changes.
2020 Program Details for NCTCOG Region
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<td>Census Tract comments due from all stakeholders. CCD and CDP geography pre-plan available for download.</td>
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<tr>
<td>March 31, 2019</td>
<td>Block Group geography pre-plan available for download.</td>
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<td>April 30, 2019</td>
<td>Block Group, CCD, and CDP comments due from all stakeholders.</td>
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<td>May 2019</td>
<td>NCTCOG reviews entity submissions, works with stakeholders on geography conflict resolution, and makes final submissions to Census Bureau.</td>
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<td>June – December 2019</td>
<td>Census Bureau reviews boundary submissions.</td>
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<td>January - March 2020</td>
<td>Verification phase begins. NCTCOG and entities have 90 calendar days to review updates.</td>
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Geography Downloads/Submissions

Geography Downloads from NCTCOG
- Contact census2020psap@nctcog.org if another format is needed.

Submission of Geographies to NCTCOG
- Formats:
  - Adobe PDF Files of Maps
  - Shapefiles
  - GUPS Project Zip Files
- Data Source:
  - All geography changes should note the source of data used to support those changes – Decennial Census, ACS, State Data Center, local source, population counts, etc.
- Email Subject Line: [County]-[Entity]-[Geography] for example, Tarrant – Arlington – Block Group.
2020 Census Participant Statistical Areas Program (PSAP)

The 2020 Census Participant Statistical Areas Program (PSAP) allows local governments, following Census Bureau guidelines, to review and update the boundaries for Census tracts, Census block groups, Census Designated Places, and, where applicable, Census County Divisions for the 2020 Census. The updated statistical areas will be used by the Census Bureau to report data from the 2020 Decennial Census, American Community Survey, and, as appropriate, other censuses and surveys.

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is serving as the 2020 Census PSAP primary participant for all counties in NCTCOG’s 16-county region. NCTCOG’s Transportation Department will coordinate the edits to Census geography boundaries with input from local governments and entities and submit final boundary plans for each county to the Census Bureau in spring 2019. The Census Bureau will review the edits and determine the final delineations to be validated in 2020.

To stay informed or ask questions about the 2020 Census PSAP process in the NCTCOG region, please complete the Contact Us form below.

Shapefile Download Center:

Connect to this page to download NCTCOG pre-plans for each geography.

NCTCOG PSAP Timeline:

- February 5, 2019 - 2 p.m - Transportation Council Room, NCTCOG, 616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, TX
Downloads - 2020 Census Participant Statistical Areas Program

Please use the following links to download the NCTCOG pre-plan geographies for each county.
February 15, 2019 - Census Tract shapefiles will be made available.
March 8, 2019 - CDP and CCD shapefiles will be made available.
March 31, 2019 - Block Group shapefiles will be made available.

Collin County:
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• Collin CDPs and CCDs
• Collin Block Groups

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