Combined Statistical Areas of the United States and Puerto Rico

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Legend

Amarillo-Borger	Combined Statistical Area (CSA)
AMES	Metropolitan Statistical Area inside CSA
ABILENE	Metropolitan Statistical Area outside CSA
Borger	Micropolitan Statistical Area inside CSA
Pampa	Micropolitan Statistical Area outside CSA
	Urbanized Area or Urban Cluster with a population of 10,000 or more in 2010
	International
TX	State (or statistical equivalent)
	County (or statistical equivalent)

Combined Statistical Area Description

The United States Office of Management and Budget delineates combined statistical areas. These areas are groupings of adjacent metropolitan and/or micropolitan statistical areas that have social and economic ties as measured by commuting to work, but at lower levels than are found among counties within individual metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas. Combined statistical areas can be characterized as representing larger regions that reflect wider-ranging social and economic interactions, such as wholesaling, commodity distribution, and weekend recreation activities, as well as lower levels of daily commuting interaction. Under the 2010 Standards for Delineating Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas, a combined statistical area is identified when two adjacent metropolitan or micropolitan statistical areas have an employment interchange measure (EIM) of at least 15. (The EIM is defined as the sum of the percentage of employed residents of the smaller area who work in the larger area and the percentage of employment in the smaller area that is accounted for by workers who reside in the larger area.) There are 169 combined statistical areas containing 524 metropolitan and/or micropolitan statistical areas in the United States and Puerto Rico, as of February, 2013.

Source Description

CSA and core based statistical area (CBSA) boundaries and titles are as of February, 2013, and reflect the application of the 2010 Standards for Delineating Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas to Census Bureau data. All other boundaries and names are as of January 1, 2010.

Resources

Further information about geographic areas delineated under the metropolitan and micropolitan statistical area standards is available at "Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas" within the "Geography" area of the Census Bureau's Internet Site at *www.census.gov*, or by contacting:
Population Division, (301) 763-2419, pop@census.gov.

For information on census geographic concepts, contact:
Geography Division, (301) 763-3056.

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