

# 1980 Census of Population and Housing 1970-Pre-1980 Tract Relationship File. Technical Documentation

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Census of Population and Housing,  
1980: 1970--Pre-1980 Tract Relationships  
Tape Technical Documentation

This documentation consists of the following materials:

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ATTACHMENT 1

Abstract

Census of Population and Housing,  
1980: 1970--Pre-1980 Tract Relationships  
[machine readable data file] / prepared by  
the U.S. Bureau of the Census. --  
Washington: The Bureau [producer and  
distributor], 1981.

TYPE OF FILE:

Geographic reference.

SUBJECT-MATTER DESCRIPTION:

File presents a "rough" comparability between 1970 census tracts and pre-1980 census tracts. It provides State, county, and tract codes for 1970 and pre-1980. In addition, it has the number of pre-1980 census tracts with territory in common with the 1970 tract and the number of 1970 tracts with territory in common with the pre-1980 tract. Pre-1980 tracts are tracts identified as of late 1978.

This file was created for internal Bureau use but is now being released to the public. Since it was derived from a clerical operation, the tract comparisons have general rather than precise comparability.

GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE:

All tracted areas

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

FILE STRUCTURE: Rectangular.

FILE SIZE: 44, 424 logical records; 72 character record length.

FILE SORT SEQUENCE: 1970 State/County/Tract by 1980 State/County/Tract

REFERENCE MATERIALS:

"Census of Population and Housing, 1980: 1970--Pre-1980 Tract Relationships" (this document). This is a guide to the data file. It includes this abstract and a record description.

FILE AVAILABILITY:

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Record Description

Character Position	Description
1-5	Serial Number
6-7	1970 FIPS State Code
8-10	1970 FIPS County Code
11-16	1970 Census Tract Code
17-18	1980 FIPS State Code
19-21	1980 FIPS County Code
22-28	Filler
29-34	Pre-1980 Census Tract Code
35-36	Filler
37-39	Number of pre-1980 census tracts with territory in common with identified 1970 census tract
40-42	Number of 1970 census tracts with territory in common with identified pre-1980 census tract
43-72	Name of County

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