

# INSTRUCTIONS: DOWNLOADING NURSING HOME COMPARE DATA AND USING TEXAS A&M GEOSERVICES TO CREATE TABLEAU-FRIENDLY FILE<sup>\*</sup>

# **Downloading Data**

1. Visit <a href="https://data.medicare.gov">https://data.medicare.gov</a>, scroll down, and select "Nursing Home Compare data."



- 2. Use search function to find dataset of interest in this case, "Provider Info."
  - Select "Provider Info" and use the "Filter" feature to select data of interest.
    - Depending on dataset, data can be sorted by state, county, city, zip, etc. In this example, we will sort by state.
    - Select the arrow next to Federal Provider Number and select "Provider State." Type "MA" and check the small square next to text box.

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<sup>\*</sup> Note: A Tableau-friendly Nursing Home Compare dataset is available at <u>https://nursinghome411.org/tableau-friendly-nursing-home-compare-dataset/</u>.

◦ To download the file, select Export  $\rightarrow$  Download  $\rightarrow$  CSV. Next, convert file from CSV to XLS and save to appropriate location.



### **Organizing Spreadsheet**

- 1. Before using Tableau, we will want to organize our spreadsheet and create separate columns for Latitude and Longitude.
  - Open file and scroll all the way to the right to identify the column called "Location." Extend column to see each facility's full address *and* geographic coordinates. Let's split this up!
  - Create three (or more) new columns to the right of "Location." Move column labeled "Processing date" out of the way or delete. The empty columns to the right of "Location" will be for Latitude and Longitude.



 Move coordinates to new column by selecting: Data → Text to Columns → Delimited → Next.



• On next screen, check "Other," and type an open parenthesis, "(" and select finish. The spreadsheet will now display one separate column with full

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- Repeat above process to create two separate columns for latitude and longitude.
  - O Highlight new column and select Data → Text to Columns → Delimited → Next.
  - On next screen under "Delimiters," uncheck "Other" and select "Comma." Then select Finish. Now there are two columns with coordinates.
- Next, highlight column with longitudinal coordinates and use "find and replace" to eliminate the closed parenthesis.

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• Finally, label columns "Latitude" and "Longitude." Save!

# **Checking for Missing Coordinates**

**1.** Highlight top row and select filter on top right. This lets you sort each column.



2. To identify facilities with missing coordinates, sort Latitude or Longitude columns by smallest to largest (or largest to smallest) and scroll down to the bottom of dataset to see if items are missing coordinates.

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- 3. If there are no missing coordinates, you're set and ready for Tableau.
  - If a large number are missing coordinates (greater than ≈20), go to Step 4: Adding missing coordinates using Texas A&M GeoServices.
  - If a small number are missing coordinates (<20), skip Step 4 and go to Step 5: Adding missing coordinates using Google Maps.

# Adding Missing Coordinates Using Texas A&M GeoServices. Use for Large Batches (> ≈20).

# \*Note: datasets must have separate columns for Street Address, City, State, and Zip Code to use this service.

- 1. Some datasets will be missing large batches of coordinates. In this case, you can find those coordinates using a process called **Batch Geocoding**. Texas A&M GeoServices offers this service free for up to 2,500 items (and more if you register as a partner).
- 2. Prepare the CSV file for batch geocoding
  - Duplicate current file, rename (i.e., batchgeocoding.MA) and save as CSV!

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#### • Create a new file for facilities that are missing coordinates.

In new CSV file, facilities should be organized as such that those with coordinates are on top and those without are on the bottom. Highlight all data from facilities with coordinates while leaving top row intact. Delete. And Save!

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#### 3. Using Texas A&M GeoServices.

- Sign up for free account at <a href="https://geoservices.tamu.edu/Signup/">https://geoservices.tamu.edu/Signup/</a>.
- On the home page (geoservices.tamu.edu), select "Geocoding"; on the next page select "Batch Geocoding" in left column.



- Begin batch geocoding process by selecting "Start Step 1 >>" and uploading the CSV database (batchgeocoding.MA).
- Make sure the file type is set to CSV. Select "Upload" then select "Validate Database" and "Validate Table."

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• Your dataset is now ready for geocoding. Scroll down and select "Geocoding," then select database (this should be automatically set) for processing and advance to Step

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• Advance to Step 4 and select "Start Process." Once complete (this may take a few minutes), select View Process Status → Details → Download Database.



 As shown below, your new CSV file will now have coordinates for facilities previously missing locations.

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- Let's combine the CSV data to the XLS data to complete the geocoding process. Do this by copy the coordinates from the CSV sheet and pasting them into the empty latitude and longitude cells in the XLS file. Make sure that the coordinates and addresses align with the correct facilities. They should already be in the correct order but double check just in case.
- Save the XLS file. The file is now ready for Tableau!

# Adding Missing Coordinates Using Google Maps. Use for Small Batches (< 20).

- **1.** Identify facilities missing coordinates by following steps in "Checking for Missing Coordinates" on Page 4.
- 2. Go to maps.google.com.
- 3. Enter facility or address on search bar;
  - Find Latitude and Longitude on URL located in address bar (see image below);
  - Copy and paste latitude and longitude into appropriate cells in Excel file.
- **4.** Repeat process for all remaining coordinates until dataset is complete.
- 5. Save the XLS file. The file is now ready for Tableau!



For additional resources on nursing home information and data, please visit: <u>www.NursingHome411.org</u>.