
NOTES PL2020 SUMLEV.txt

This file was extracted from the text in the Technical Documentation, then converted via some programming code to allow for enhancement.

All field names are from the conversion phase, not the extraction phase. Fields in order found in the record:

GRP--Breaks into more logical groups based upon SUMLEV(SL) code[2] SUMLEV--Summarly Level Code; [1]

NOTES--Indicates when a SL is for PR, or an AIA-ANA-HHL [2]

SLABB--Summary Level Abbreviation for levels included [2]

HISPINE--SLs in the main Census Hierarchy (the spine) [2]

HIMCD--SLs in a typical MCD state hierarchy [2]

AREA--Summary Level Area [Description] [1]

Two files are included on the site: one arranged by SL, one by AREA (SLs may be out of order)

Notes:

- [1] Field information is extracted directly from the documentation
- [2] Most SLABB abbreviations are from the Geographic Header Record but a few are not exactly the same.

ST for STATE (FIPS)

CY for COUNTY (FIPS)

CS for COUSUB (FIPS)

TR for TRACT

BG for BLKGRP

BK for BLOCK

[3] A few SLABB abbreviations are unusual:

UG is used rather than CONCIT, read as Unified Government
AIANHH is used rather than AIA-ANA-HHL

(American Indian Area/Alaska Native Area/Hawaiian Home Land)

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