

**Data Dictionary for HUD Aggregated USPS Administrative Data for  
Quarter 4, 2007 and All Quarters After**

<b>Field Name</b>	<b>Field Description</b>
GEOID	2000 Census Tract Unique ID (State FIPS + County FIPS + Tract Code)
AMS_RES	Total Count of Addresses - Residential
AMS_BUS	Total Count of Addresses - Business
AMS_OTH	Total Count of Addresses in AMS - Other
RES_VAC	Total Count of Vacant Addresses - Residential
BUS_VAC	Total Count of Vacant Addresses - Business
OTH_VAC	Total Count of Vacant Addresses - Other
AVG_VAC_R	Average Days Addresses Vacant - Residential
AVG_VAC_B	Average Days Addresses Vacant - Business
VAC_3_RES	Vacant 3 Mos. to Less Count - Residential
VAC_3_BUS	Vacant 3 Mos. to Less Count - Business
VAC_3_OTH	Vacant 3 Mos. to Less Count - Other
VAC_3_6_R	Vacant 3 Mos. to 6 Mos. Count - Residential
VAC_3_6_B	Vacant 3 Mos. to 6 Mos. Count - Business
VAC_3_6_O	Vacant 3 Mos. to 6 Mos. Count - Other
VAC_6_12R	Vacant 6 Mos. to 12 Mos. Count - Residential
VAC_6_12B	Vacant 6 Mos. to 12 Mos. Count - Business
VAC_6_12O	Vacant 6 Mos. to 12 Mos. Count - Other
VAC_12_24R	Vacant 12 Mos. to 24 Mos. Count - Residential
VAC_12_24B	Vacant 12 Mos. to 24 Mos. Count - Business
VAC_12_24O	Vacant 12 Mos. to 24 Mos. Count - Other
VAC_24_36R	Vacant 24 Mos. to 36 Mos. Count - Residential
VAC_24_36B	Vacant 24 Mos. to 36 Mos. Count - Business
VAC_24_36O	Vacant 24 Mos. to 36 Mos. Count - Other
VAC_36_RES	Vacant 36 Mos. or Longer Count - Residential
VAC_36_BUS	Vacant 36 Mos. or Longer Count - Business
VAC_36_OTH	Vacant 36 Mos. or Longer Count - Other
PQV_IS_RES	Previous Qtr Vacant Currently In Service Count – Residential
PQV_IS_BUS	Previous Qtr Vacant Currently In Service Count – Business
PQV_IS_OTH	Previous Qtr Vacant Currently in Service Count - Other
PQV_NS_RES	Previous Qtr Vacant Currently No-Stat Count – Residential
PQV_NS_BUS	Previous Qtr Vacant Currently No-Stat Count – Business
PQV_NS_OTH	Previous Qtr Vacant Currently No-Stat Count – Other
NOSTAT_RES	Total Count of No-Stat Addresses - Residential
NOSTAT_BUS	Total Count of No-Stat Addresses - Business
NOSTAT_OTH	Total Count of No-Stat Addresses - Other
AVG_NS_RES	Average Days Addresses No-Stat - Residential
AVG_NS_BUS	Average Days Addresses No-Stat - Business
NS_3_RES	No-Stat 3 Mos. to Less Count - Residential
NS_3_BUS	No-Stat 3 Mos. to Less Count - Business
NS_3_OTH	No-Stat 3 Mos. to Less Count - Other
NS_3_6_RES	No-Stat 3 Mos. to 6 Mos. Count - Residential
NS_3_6_BUS	No-Stat 3 Mos. to 6 Mos. Count - Business
NS_3_6_OTH	No-Stat 3 Mos. to 6 Mos. Count - Other
NS_6_12_R	No-Stat 6 Mos. to 12 Mos. Count - Residential

NS_6_12_B	No-Stat 6 Mos. to 12 Mos. Count - Business
NS_6_12_O	No-Stat 6 Mos. to 12 Mos. Count - Other
NS_12_24_R	No-Stat 12 Mos. to 24 Mos. Count - Residential
NS_12_24_B	No-Stat 12 Mos. to 24 Mos. Count - Business
NS_12_24_O	No-Stat 12 Mos. to 24 Mos. Count - Other
NS_24_36_R	No-Stat 24 Mos. to 36 Mos. Count - Residential
NS_24_36_B	No-Stat 24 Mos. to 36 Mos. Count - Business
NS_24_36_O	No-Stat 24 Mos. to 36 Mos. Count - Other
NS_36_RES	No-Stat 36 Mos. or Longer Count - Residential
NS_36_BUS	No-Stat 36 Mos. or Longer Count - Business
NS_36_OTH	No-Stat 36 Mos. or Longer Count - Other
PQNS_IS_R	Previous Qtr No-Stat Currently In Service Count – Residential
PQNS_IS_B	Previous Qtr No-Stat Currently In Service Count – Business
PQNS_IS_O	Previous Qtr No-Stat Currently In Service Count – Other

<b>Data Dictionary for HUD Aggregated USPS Administrative Data for all Quarters Prior to Quarter 4, 2007</b>	
<b>Field Name</b>	<b>Field Description</b>
GEOID	2000 Census Tract Unique ID (State FIPS + County FIPS + Tract Code)
AMS	Total number of addresses - reflects all addresses (residential and commercial) that USPS has in their database
VAC	Total count of vacant addresses
AVG_VAC	Average days addresses vacant
VAC_3	Vacant 3 months to less (count)
VAC_3TO6	Vacant 3 months to 6 months (count)
VAC_6TO12	Vacant 6 months to 12 months (count)
VAC_12TO24	Vacant 12 months to 24 months (count)
VAC_24TO36	Vacant 24 months to 36 months (count)
VAC_36	Vacant 36 months or longer (count)
PQV_IS	Previous quarter vacant currently in service (count)
PQV_NOSTAT	Previous quarter vacant currently no-stat (count)
NOSTAT	Total count of no-stat Addresses
AVG_NOSTAT	Average days addresses no-stat
NS_3	No-Stat 3 months to less (count)
NS_3TO6	No-Stat 3 months to 6 months (count)
NS_6TO12	No-Stat 6 months to 12 months (count)
NS_12TO24	No-Stat 12 months to 24 months (count)
NS_24TO36	No-Stat 24 months to 36 months (count)
NS_36	No-Stat 36 months or longer (count)
PQNS_IS	Previous quarter no-stat currently in service (count)

## **HUD Geocoding and Aggregation Methodology**

HUD receives quarterly extracts of these data at the ZIP+4 level. Under the license agreement with USPS, HUD must aggregate these data, at least to the census tract level, for public dissemination. Each quarterly extract is geocoded by HUD's Geocode Service Center (GSC). The ZIP+4 records that do not geocode to the census tract level (e.g., geocode only to the 5-digit ZIP Code level) are excluded from the aggregation process. On average, only about 1% of the ZIP+4 records HUD receives do not make it to the public census tract-level files. With each new quarterly extract, HUD makes an attempt to geocode the non-geocoded ZIP+4 records from the previous extract along with the new ZIP+4 records from the current extract. The GSC's base data is updated frequently so ZIP+4 records that were not geocoded in the previous quarter may in fact geocode in the present quarter. This accounts for the variance in the number of records in the aggregate tract-level files from quarter to quarter. Users should be aware of this when measuring change between quarters. Also note that ZIP+4 data may not necessarily align with census tract boundaries. In most cases, ZIP+4's represent a location or set of locations on one side of a single street segment. However, ZIP+4's can also occur across multiple segments and on both sides of a segment(s) and can possibly straddle a census tract boundary. We are currently evaluating the effect of this occurrence on the data aggregations.