

2020 Census Urban Area Errata – June 2023

Atlanta, GA and Gainesville, GA Urban Area

The original release of the 2020 Census Urban Areas files and products featured an incorrect delineation for the boundary between the Atlanta, GA Urban Area and Gainesville, GA Urban Area. The boundary between these urban areas was adjusted in June 2023, so that the urban territory in Forsyth County, GA and Dawson County, GA is now assigned to the Atlanta, GA Urban Area.

The corrected 2020 Census Atlanta, GA Urban Area will contain:

- Population: 5,100,112
- Housing units: 2,035,642
- Land area: 2,553 square miles

The corrected 2020 Census Gainesville, GA Urban Area will contain:

- Population: 164,365
- Housing units: 62,897
- Land area: 149 square miles

The following table reflects the county level statistics for the corrected 2020 Atlanta, GA and Gainesville, GA Urban Areas:

Corrected 2020 Urban Areas (June 2023)						
STCOU	County Name	Urban Area Name	Population Count	Housing Unit Count	Area Land (sq. meters)	Area Land (sq. miles)
13085	Dawson	Atlanta, GA	8,200	3,829	35,602,116	13.75
13117	Forsyth	Atlanta, GA	231,837	80,828	433,777,672	167.48
13085	Dawson	Gainesville, GA	0	0	0	0.00
13117	Forsyth	Gainesville, GA	0	0	0	0.00

New Orleans, LA Urban Area and Laplace--Lutcher--Gramercy, LA Urban Area

The original release of the 2020 Census Urban Areas files and products featured an incorrect delineation of the New Orleans, LA Urban Area and the Laplace--Lutcher--Gramercy, LA Urban Area as separate Urban Areas. These areas were combined into the New Orleans, LA Urban Area in June 2023.

The corrected 2020 Census New Orleans, LA Urban Area will contain:

- Population: 963,212
- Housing units: 441,065
- Land area: 270 square miles

The following table reflects the county level statistics for the corrected 2020 New Orleans, LA Urban Area:

Corrected 2020 Urban Areas (June 2023)						
STCOU	Parish Name	Urban Area Name	Population Count	Housing Unit Count	Area Land (sq. meters)	Area Land (sq. miles)
22089	St. Charles	New Orleans, LA	43,206	16,960	67,355,538	26.01
22093	St. James	New Orleans, LA	9,190	3,842	20,527,690	7.93
22095	St. John the Baptist	New Orleans, LA	37,495	15,495	55,126,153	21.28

Census Bureau products will reflect these changes, including:

- Files on the Urban and Rural webpage:
 - List of 2020 Census Urban Areas (Urban Area Census Code sorted) (Updated as of July 2023)
 - List of 2020 Census Urban Areas (State sorted) (Updated as of July 2023)
 - Block-level Urban Area information for the 2020 Census (Anticipated late summer 2023)
- Correction-specific custom shapefiles (state-level shapefiles containing the corrected Atlanta, GA Urban Area, Gainesville, GA Urban Area, and New Orleans, LA Urban Area) (Updated as of August 2023)
- 2020 Urban Areas Wall Map (Updated as of August 2023)
- National TIGER/Line Shapefiles (Anticipated fall 2023)
- National TIGER/Line Geodatabases (Anticipated fall 2023)
- TIGERweb (Anticipated fall 2023)
- Cartographic Boundary Files (Anticipated fall 2023)

This errata statement will be updated as revisions are applied, or are scheduled to be applied, to Census Bureau products.

If you have downloaded or used the 2020 Census Urban Area information prior to when the correction was applied, delete your old information and replace with updated information when available.

Additionally:

- The 2020 Decennial Census Demographic and Housing Characteristics File (DHC) statistical data reflects the revised San Francisco--Oakland, CA Urban Area (announced in February 2023), but will not reflect the revised Atlanta, GA Urban Area, Gainesville, GA Urban Area, and the New Orleans, LA Urban Area (announced in June 2023).
- The Office of Management and Budget's (OMB's) core based statistical area (CBSA) delineations use the Census Bureau's urban areas as one of their inputs. (CBSAs are the collective term for metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas.) The 2023 OMB CBSA delineations reflect the following revised urban areas: the San Francisco--Oakland, CA Urban Area; the Atlanta, GA Urban Area; the Gainesville, GA Urban Area; and the New Orleans, LA Urban Area.
- The Census Bureau will publish a correction to the "2020 Census Qualifying Urban Areas and Final Criteria Clarifications" *Federal Register* Notice (87 FR 80114) in Spring 2024, containing the 2020 Census Urban Area corrections that occurred after the FRN publication date (December 29, 2022).