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Downloading and Using CCPA 'Vendor Dump' Data

There are two Parcel Data Download files located on the Downloads page of the CCPA website. One is for the most recent Certified Taxroll Data, the other for the Current Taxroll Data. The certified data contains the values and characteristics for each parcel at the time of the most recent certifications. The current data provides updated characteristics of each parcel as changes are made throughout the year, however the tax values are omitted as they will be calculated just prior to the following certified taxroll.

Select the FTP Download link for either the Certified or Current Taxroll Data

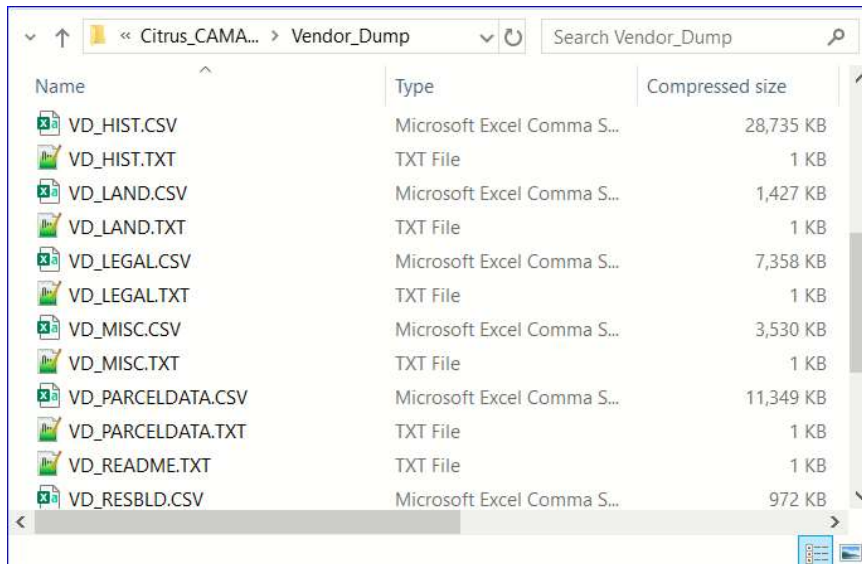
You will be redirected to the associated FTP site:

Index of /data/updated_vendor_dump			
 [parent directory]			
Name	Size	Date Modified	
 Citrus_CAMA_Curr.zip	63.4 MB	2/24/18, 12:04:00 AM	

Click on the hyperlink to download the zip file to your computer.

Locate the downloaded file, move to another location if desired, and unzip it (MS Windows: right-click, then select Extract All)

The extracted files will look similar to this:



Name	Type	Compressed size
VD_HIST.CSV	Microsoft Excel Comma S...	28,735 KB
VD_HIST.TXT	TXT File	1 KB
VD_LAND.CSV	Microsoft Excel Comma S...	1,427 KB
VD_LAND.TXT	TXT File	1 KB
VD_LEGAL.CSV	Microsoft Excel Comma S...	7,358 KB
VD_LEGAL.TXT	TXT File	1 KB
VD_MISC.CSV	Microsoft Excel Comma S...	3,530 KB
VD_MISC.TXT	TXT File	1 KB
VD_PARCELDATA.CSV	Microsoft Excel Comma S...	11,349 KB
VD_PARCELDATA.TXT	TXT File	1 KB
VD_README.TXT	TXT File	1 KB
VD_RESBLD.CSV	Microsoft Excel Comma S...	972 KB

Notice the file names are paired together with one ending in .CSV and the other .TXT.

The .TXT file contains descriptions of the data fields found in the .CSV file.

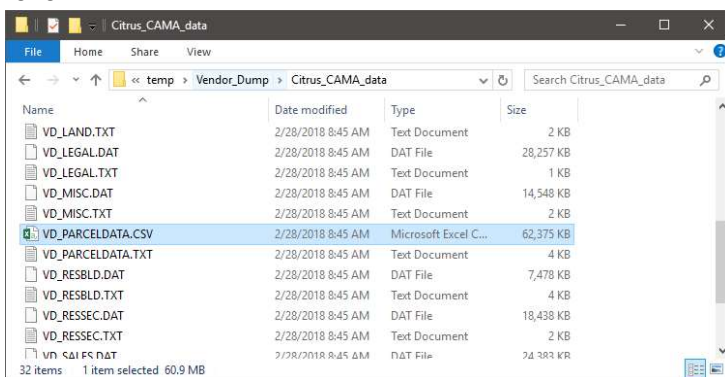
The CCPA database contains many individual tables of data that are related to a given parcel. The most commonly accessed data have been combined for you into a single file called VD_PARCELDATA.CSV.

The best way to view the data in VD_PARCELDATA.CSV is to use spreadsheet software such as MS Excel. Alternative software could be MS Access, or OpenOffice.

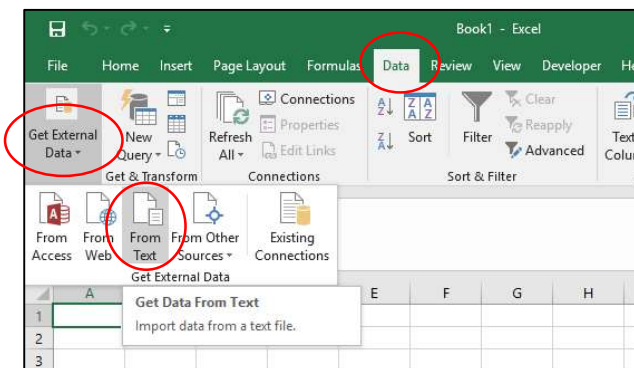
Double-clicking on the file name will usually open the file with MS Excel. If it doesn't, you may have to choose Open With... and then select MS Excel or look up how to assign default programs to open specific file extensions.

An alternate way to view the data in MS Excel is to import the data to a blank workbook.

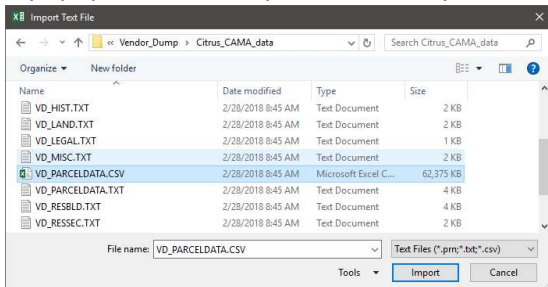
1. First open a blank MS Excel worksheet and import the file according to the directions that follow.



2. With a blank worksheet, select the Data menu, then click 'Get External Data'. From there, select "From Text".



3. A popup window lets you browse to your renamed file.



4. Select the file and then click 'Import'.

5. A Text Import Wizard popup displays. Make two changes to the first window:
 - a. Select the Delimited radio button
 - b. Click the box for My data has headers
 - c. Then click Next

Text Import Wizard - Step 1 of 3

The Text Wizard has determined that your data is Fixed Width.
If this is correct, choose Next, or choose the data type that best describes your data.

Original data type
Choose the file type that best describes your data:

☒ Delimited - Characters such as commas or tabs separate each field.
☐ Fixed width - Fields are aligned in columns with spaces between each field.

Start import at row: 1 File origin: 437 : OEM United States

☒ My data has headers.

Preview of file C:\temp\Vendor_Dump\Citrus_CAMA_data\VD_PARCELDATA.CSV.

1	"ALTKEY",	"PARCELID",	"NBHD",	"NBHD_DESC",	"PC",	"PC_DESC",	"MAPSEC",	"MAPTWP",
2	10000009,	15E17S12	22000,	€300,	CARIBEE SHORES AREA,	9900,	Vacant Acreage	
3	10000017,	15E17S12	22000	0010,	€300,	CARIBEE SHORES AREA,	0000,	Vacant Res
4	10000025,	15E17S12	22000	0020,	€300,	CARIBEE SHORES AREA,	0000,	Vacant Res
5	10000033,	15E17S12	22000	0040,	€300,	CARIBEE SHORES AREA,	8000,	Vacant Gov

Buttons: Cancel, < Back, Next >, Finish

6. On the second window, under Delimiters, only have the box next to 'Comma' selected by clicking to toggle checkmarks in each box. Then click Next.

Text Import Wizard - Step 2 of 3

This screen lets you set the delimiters your data contains. You can see how your text is affected in the preview below.

Delimiters

☐ Tab
☐ Semicolon
☒ Comma
☐ Space
☐ Other:

☐ Treat consecutive delimiters as one

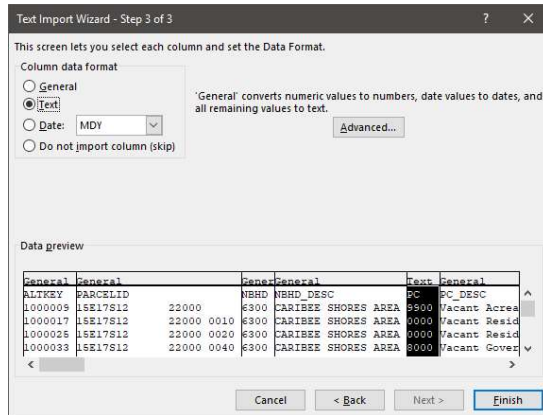
Text qualifier: -

Data preview

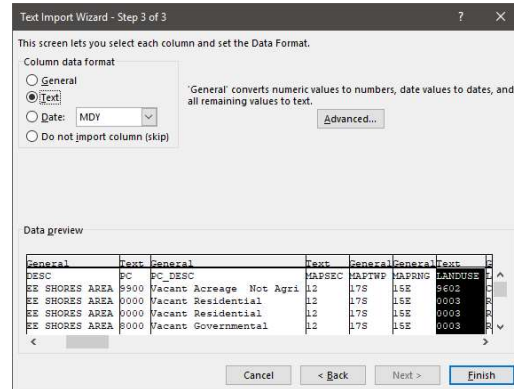
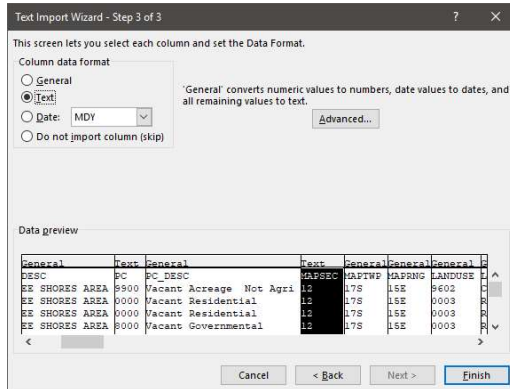
ALTKEY	PARCELID	NBHD	NBHD_DESC	PC	PC_DESC
10000009	15E17S12	22000	€300	CARIBEE SHORES AREA	9900 Vacant Acrea
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10000025	15E17S12	22000 0020	€300	CARIBEE SHORES AREA	0000 Vacant Resid
10000033	15E17S12	22000 0040	€300	CARIBEE SHORES AREA	8000 Vacant Gover

Buttons: Cancel, < Back, Next >, Finish

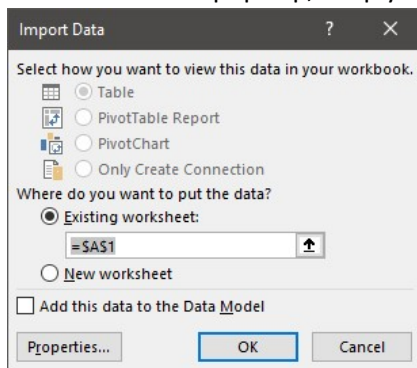
7. The whole purpose for doing this comes down to this next step. There are three fields that must be forced to be imported as text fields even though they look like numbers. Without doing this, MS Excel will treat them as numbers and remove important beginning zeros from certain codes. The three fields are:
 - a. PC
 - b. MAPSEC
 - c. LANDUSE



- For each of the three fields, click on the field's column (shown in black above) then select the Text radio button under Column data format. Don't click 'Finish' until all three fields are done. Use the scroll bar under the columns if necessary to find the three fields.



- Click Finish
- Another window pops up, simply click 'OK'.



- After a moment or two the spreadsheet will be populated with the data. To make it easier to explore the data, add the built-in data filters by selecting any cell in the top row of the spreadsheet, select the Data tab again (if not still there) and find what looks like a funnel icon that says 'Filter'. Click the funnel once or twice if needed to apply the filter to the dataset. A small filter will appear next to the heading of each column.

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3	1000017	15E17S12 22000 0010	6300	CARIBEE SHORES AREA	0000	Vacant Residential
4	1000025	15E17S12 22000 0020	6300	CARIBEE SHORES AREA	0000	Vacant Residential
5	1000033	15E17S12 22000 0040	6300	CARIBEE SHORES AREA	8000	Vacant Governmental
6	1000041	15E17S12 22000 0050	6300	CARIBEE SHORES AREA	8000	Vacant Governmental
7	1000050	15E17S12 22000 0060	6300	CARIBEE SHORES AREA	9900	Vacant Acreage Not Agri

12. Click on a column filter to reveal a drop-down list of values from the column as well as other options.
13. Multiple filters can be applied and are dependent on the results of the previous filter(s) in order they were applied.