# Harris County Appraisal District (HCAD) - Acquisition of Raw Data

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## Description

These files contain Harris County Appraisal District (HCAD) real and personal property data. The source HCAD data are constantly updated. Years 2005 to 2015 were initially downloaded from the source on 3/3/2016.

## Transfers to UDP

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| **11/02/2016** | ***Transferred By:*** | Hien Le |
|  | ***Source Contact:*** | Kelsey Walker |
|  | ***File(s):*** | See Appendix A |
|  | ***Website:*** | <http://pdata.hcad.org> |
|  | ***Search Parameters:*** | None.  Zip files were found on the Download page of the website. |
|  | ***Download Date:*** | 03/03/2016 |
|  | ***Documentation:*** | HCAD\_2015\_Table\_Descriptions.xlsx  hcadTabularDataDocumentation.xlsx  Additional documentation is included in the …\AccessShells and …\Codes folders. |
|  | ***Type of Transfer:*** | IronKey |
|  | ***Notes:*** | All text files in the …\Raw\Snapshot\_2016\_03\_03 folders were extracted from a collection of .zip files downloaded for each year from 2005 to 2015. |

## Additional Notes

The empty access database shells in K:\Library\Harris\TaxAssessor\Documentation\AccessShells were also downloaded from the HCAD’s public data set on 2016-03-03.

Instructions for importing the text files into empty access database shells can be found in K:\Library\Harris\TaxAssessor\Documentation\Instructions, which contains documents downloaded from the Instructions page of HCAD’s public data site on 2016-10-11.

The text files in K:\Library\Harris\TaxAssessor\Documentation\Codes contain code descriptions for several of the categorical variables in the HCAD database. These files were downloaded from the HCAD public data site on 2016-10-11.

## Appendix A

Files available for each year, 3/3/2016 snapsho:

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| **File** | **2005** | **2006-2013** | **2014** | **2015** |
| arb\_hearings\_pp.txt |  | X | X | X |
| arb\_hearings\_real.txt | X | X | X | X |
| arb\_protest\_pp.txt |  | X | X | X |
| arb\_protest\_real.txt | X | X | X | X |
| building\_other.txt | X | X | X | X |
| building\_res.txt | X | X | X | X |
| exterior.txt | X | X | X | X |
| extra\_features.txt | X | X | X | X |
| extra\_features\_detail1.txt |  |  | X | X |
| extra\_features\_detail2.txt |  |  | X | X |
| fixtures.txt | X | X | X | X |
| jur\_exempt.txt | X | X | X | X |
| jur\_exempt\_cd.txt | X | X | X | X |
| jur\_exemption\_dscr.txt | X | X | X | X |
| jur\_tax\_dist\_exempt\_value.txt | X | X | X | X |
| jur\_tax\_dist\_percent\_rate.txt | X | X | X | X |
| jur\_value.txt | X | X | X | X |
| land.txt | X | X | X | X |
| land\_ag.txt | X | X | X | X |
| owners.txt | X | X | X | X |
| Ownership\_history.txt |  |  |  | X |
| parcel\_tieback.txt | X | X | X | X |
| permits.txt | X | X | X | X |
| real\_acct.txt | X | X | X | X |
| real\_neighborhood\_code.txt | X | X | X | X |
| structural\_elem1.txt | X | X | X | X |
| structural\_elem2.txt | X | X | X | X |
| t\_business\_acct.txt |  | X | X | X |
| t\_business\_detail.txt |  | X | X | X |
| t\_jur\_exempt.txt |  | X | X | X |
| t\_jur\_tax\_dist\_exempt\_value.txt |  | X | X | X |
| t\_jur\_tax\_dist\_percent\_rate.txt |  | X | X | X |
| t\_jur\_value.txt |  | X | X | X |
| t\_pp\_c.txt |  | X | X | X |
| t\_pp\_e.txt |  | X | X | X |
| t\_pp\_l.txt |  | X | X | X |