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Map choice

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I started by choosing the right map. I wanted a man set nearby Trieste (Italy), so I found the following OSM extracts:

Region	XML Size (unzipped)	Node count	Link
Slovenia	892 MB	{'bounds': 1, 'member': 144 906, 'nd': 5 141 228, 'node': 4 604 757, 'relation': 5795, 'tag': 1055672, 'way': 313052}	http://download.geofabrik.de/europe/slovenia.html
Croatia	1478 MB	{'bounds': 1, 'member': 117 820, 'nd': 8 755 118, 'node': 7 554 292, 'relation': 9 555, 'tag': 1 499 383, 'way': 665 066}	http://download.geofabrik.de/europe/croatia.html
Friuli Venezia Giulia (Italy)	1735 MB	{'bounds': 1, 'member': 96 694, 'nd': 10 038 201, 'node': 8 586 871, 'relation': 7 722, 'tag': 3 340 201, 'way': 911 748}	http://geodati.fmach.it/gfoss geodata/osm/italia osm.html
Venice (Italy)	1575 MB	{'bounds': 1, 'member': 44 438, 'nd': 9 397 923, 'node': 7 154 452, 'relation': 6 226, 'tag': 1 950 505, 'way': 1 123 465}	https://mapzen.com/metro-extracts/

I have chosen the Venice (Italy) one because Venice has a unique set of street denominations like nowhere else in Italy.