File descriptions

* train.csv - the training set
* test.csv - the test set
* data\_description.txt - full description of each column, originally prepared by Dean De Cock but lightly edited to match the column names used here
* sample\_submission.csv - a benchmark submission from a linear regression on year and month of sale, lot square footage, and number of bedrooms

Data fields

Here's a brief version of what you'll find in the data description file.

* SalePrice - the property's sale price in dollars. This is the target variable that you're trying to predict.
* MSSubClass: The building class
* MSZoning: The general zoning classification
* LotFrontage: Linear feet of street connected to property
* LotArea: Lot size in square feet
* Street: Type of road access
* Alley: Type of alley access
* LotShape: General shape of property
* LandContour: Flatness of the property
* Utilities: Type of utilities available
* LotConfig: Lot configuration
* LandSlope: Slope of property
* Neighborhood: Physical locations within Ames city limits
* Condition1: Proximity to main road or railroad
* Condition2: Proximity to main road or railroad (if a second is present)
* BldgType: Type of dwelling
* HouseStyle: Style of dwelling
* OverallQual: Overall material and finish quality
* OverallCond: Overall condition rating
* YearBuilt: Original construction date
* YearRemodAdd: Remodel date
* RoofStyle: Type of roof
* RoofMatl: Roof material
* Exterior1st: Exterior covering on house
* Exterior2nd: Exterior covering on house (if more than one material)
* MasVnrType: Masonry veneer type
* MasVnrArea: Masonry veneer area in square feet
* ExterQual: Exterior material quality
* ExterCond: Present condition of the material on the exterior
* Foundation: Type of foundation
* BsmtQual: Height of the basement
* BsmtCond: General condition of the basement
* BsmtExposure: Walkout or garden level basement walls
* BsmtFinType1: Quality of basement finished area
* BsmtFinSF1: Type 1 finished square feet
* BsmtFinType2: Quality of second finished area (if present)
* BsmtFinSF2: Type 2 finished square feet
* BsmtUnfSF: Unfinished square feet of basement area
* TotalBsmtSF: Total square feet of basement area
* Heating: Type of heating
* HeatingQC: Heating quality and condition
* CentralAir: Central air conditioning
* Electrical: Electrical system
* 1stFlrSF: First Floor square feet
* 2ndFlrSF: Second floor square feet
* LowQualFinSF: Low quality finished square feet (all floors)
* GrLivArea: Above grade (ground) living area square feet
* BsmtFullBath: Basement full bathrooms
* BsmtHalfBath: Basement half bathrooms
* FullBath: Full bathrooms above grade
* HalfBath: Half baths above grade
* Bedroom: Number of bedrooms above basement level
* Kitchen: Number of kitchens
* KitchenQual: Kitchen quality
* TotRmsAbvGrd: Total rooms above grade (does not include bathrooms)
* Functional: Home functionality rating
* Fireplaces: Number of fireplaces
* FireplaceQu: Fireplace quality
* GarageType: Garage location
* GarageYrBlt: Year garage was built
* GarageFinish: Interior finish of the garage
* GarageCars: Size of garage in car capacity
* GarageArea: Size of garage in square feet
* GarageQual: Garage quality
* GarageCond: Garage condition
* PavedDrive: Paved driveway
* WoodDeckSF: Wood deck area in square feet
* OpenPorchSF: Open porch area in square feet
* EnclosedPorch: Enclosed porch area in square feet
* 3SsnPorch: Three season porch area in square feet
* ScreenPorch: Screen porch area in square feet
* PoolArea: Pool area in square feet
* PoolQC: Pool quality
* Fence: Fence quality
* MiscFeature: Miscellaneous feature not covered in other categories
* MiscVal: $Value of miscellaneous feature
* MoSold: Month Sold
* YrSold: Year Sold
* SaleType: Type of sale
* SaleCondition: Condition of sale