HOW TO USE THE ZIP CODE TO ZCTA CROSSWALK
# ACRONYMS USED IN THIS LESSON

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ZIP CODES VS. ZCTAS

▪ The U.S. Census Bureau creates ZCTAs but does not provide an official crosswalk between ZIP Codes and ZCTAs

▪ ZCTAs may be comprised of one or more ZIP Codes

▪ ZCTAs are not an exact geographic match to ZIP Codes so this list allows you to see where data from a certain ZIP Code will be displayed on the UDS Mapper
ABOUT THE CROSSWALK

▪ The ZIP Code to ZCTA Crosswalk table was developed for use with UDS service area data

▪ The ZIP Code to ZCTA Crosswalk is not an official U.S. Postal Service or Census product

▪ A ZIP Code listed by a health center in its UDS report may be different from the ZCTA used on the UDS Mapper so you can use this Crosswalk to identify where your ZIP Code data are being displayed
ACCESSING THE CROSSWALK

- Click the Tutorials & Resources tab
- Scroll down to ZIP Code to ZCTA Crosswalk
WHEN TO USE THE ZIP CODE TO ZCTA CROSSWALK

Use the Crosswalk to find a ZIP Code’s assigned ZCTA
TYPES OF ZIP CODES

- **ZIP Code Areas** are typically ZIP Codes without any special designation.

- **Post offices or large volume customers** typically occupy a very small geographic area and have few residential addresses located within them.
  - These likely do not have a direct ZCTA match.
HOW TO USE THE ZIP CODE TO ZCTA CROSSWALK (1)

- Type a ZIP Code into search box and select **Search**
- Results will appear in the table below search box
Using a % sign indicates that you want a list of all ZIP Codes that contain the numbers preceding the % sign and any number combination that would complete a five-digit ZIP Code.

For example, entering 432% will return all ZIP Codes between 43201 and 43299.
Download the entire ZIP Code to ZCTA Crosswalk for the 2018 UDS data report by clicking ZIP Code to ZCTA Crosswalk
Proceed to the next lesson to continue learning how to use the UDS Mapper
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