

Information for Block Reports

The following information is for communities following “Option A” as described in the Data Release Packet.

For each draft map, you will find a corresponding block listing. This block listing provides necessary demographic and population information for each ward and precinct that should be considered while reviewing precinct lines. This information is relevant to ensure minority vote dilution (either through “packing” or “fragmentation” of racial cohorts among the precincts) does not occur when drawing precinct lines.

“Packing” refers to concentrating a high proportion of minority group members in one or a few districts so that their votes cannot elect as many minority group representatives as another plan may potentially allow. “Fragmentation” refers to spreading minority group members among many districts or submerging them in a district dominated by another group also resulting in the election of a smaller number of minority group representatives.

Upon completion of the final version of your map, our office will prepare a final block report for you. This information will be included in the “Final File Cabinet” that will be sent to you.

Please see a very generic example below, filled with random numbers:

	Old VTD	New VTD	Block Code	TotalPop	White	Black	Asian	Other	NHPI	AIAN	POP2RACE	HISPANIC	NOT HISPANIC
1													
2	Somewhere Town Precinct 1	1	250172222111111	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Somewhere Town Precinct 1	1	250172222111111	99	88	0	10	0	0	0	1	1	98
4	Somewhere Town Precinct 1	1	250172222111111	12	4	0	0	3	0	0	5	2	10
5	Somewhere Town Precinct 1	1	250172222111111	33	28	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	32
6	Somewhere Town Precinct 1	1	250172222111111	35	31	0	0	1	0	0	3	4	31