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INTRODUCTION

Householder Data provides users with the number of apartments, businesses, farms and houses served by Canada Post Corporation's various delivery modes, anywhere in Canada.

By using this data, mailers may determine their volume and distribution requirements for Unaddressed Admail mailings for Urban and Rural delivery installations.

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Media

The Householder Data is provided in ASCII character set, with the volume image in ISO 9660 format (standard for CD-ROM).

The Householder Data can also be downloaded from the Canada Post FTP site (ASCII character set).

FILE DESCRIPTION

The Householder Data Product contains one file. This file provides Consumers' Choice counts and Total Points of Call counts for all urban and rural delivery installations in Canada.

FILE SPECIFICATIONS

Householder File

Logical record length:	176 characters
CD-ROM Record format:	Terminated with CRLF
CD-ROM File name:	HOUSE.TXT

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Householder File

All fields are alpha-numeric, and the sort order and record types are displayed below.

Sort Order

Province Code
Postal Delivery Area Name
Delivery Installation Name
Record Type Code
Delivery Mode

Note: Only record types 2 and 4 contain Delivery Mode information. Record types 1 and 3 are delivery installation addresses for record types 2 and 4.

Record Types

Blank	-	Header Record (first record on file)
1	-	Urban Delivery Installation Address Record
2	-	Urban Delivery Mode Record
3	-	Rural Delivery Installation Address Record
4	-	Rural Delivery Mode Record

RECORDS DESCRIPTIONS

Header Record

This record contains the effective date and the expiry date for the information contained on the file.

Description	Starting Position	Length
Filler	1	100
Effective Date of Restructure Implementation	101	8
Expiry Date	109	8
Filler	117	60

Note: Refer to “Valid for Mailing Date Schedule” provided annually.

Delivery Installation Address Record

(Record types 1 and 3)

The following records contain the street addresses for all urban installations and any rural installations for which this information is relevant.

Description	Starting Position	Length
Province Code	1	2
Postal Delivery Area Name	3	30
Delivery Installation Area Name	33	30
Delivery Installation Type Description	63	5
Delivery Installation Qualifier Name	68	15
Record Type Code	83	1
Filler	84	21
Delivery Installation Postal Code	105	6
Street Address Number	111	6
Street Address Number Suffix Code	117	1
Street Name	118	30
Street Type Code	148	6
Street Direction Code	154	2
Suite Number	156	6
Delivery Installation Telephone Number	162	10
Filler	172	5

Delivery Mode Record (Record types 2 and 4)

The following records contain the number of houses, apartments, farms and businesses for both Consumers' Choice and Total Points of Call served by the delivery mode.

Description	Starting Position	Length
Province Code	1	2
Postal Delivery Area Name	3	30
Delivery Installation Area Name	33	30
Delivery Installation Type Description	63	5
Delivery Installation Qualifier Name	68	15
Record Type Code	83	1
Delivery Mode Type	84	2
Delivery Mode Identifier	86	4
Delivery Installation Abbreviated Name	90	15
Delivery Installation Postal Code	105	6
FSA Code	111	3
Apartment Consumers' Choice Count	114	7
Business Consumers' Choice Count	121	7
Farm Consumers' Choice Count	128	7
House Consumers' Choice Count	135	7
Split FSA Indicator	142	1
Split Delivery Mode Indicator	143	1
Apartment Total Points of Call Count	144	7
Business Total Points of Call Count	151	7
Farm Total Points of Call Count	158	7
House Total Points of Call Count	165	7
Demand Route Indicator	172	2
Filler	174	3

DATA DICTIONARY – ELEMENT DESCRIPTIONS

Following is a listing of all record elements for all record types within the Record Descriptions. Each element will include a brief definition and valid codes where applicable.

Elements

Apartment Consumers' Choice Count	The number of apartments served by a delivery mode where consumers wish to receive unaddressed admail.
Apartment Total Points of Call Count	The number of apartments served by a delivery mode.
Business Consumers' Choice Count	The number of business customers served by a delivery mode where consumers wish to receive unaddressed mail.
Business Total Points of Call Count	The number of business customers served by a delivery mode.
Delivery Installation Abbreviated Name	An abbreviated name of a postal facility that provides delivery services.
Delivery Installation Area Name	The name of a village, town, municipality, city or metropolitan area which forms part of a delivery installation name.
Delivery Installation Name	The name of a postal facility which provides delivery services, composed of: delivery installation area name, delivery installation type description, and delivery installation qualifier name.
Delivery Installation Postal Code	The Postal Code identifies a specific delivery installation.
Delivery Installation Qualifier Name	When more than one delivery installation serves an area described by the delivery installation area name, the qualifier name identifies the portion of the area served by the installation.
Delivery Installation Telephone Number	The area code and telephone number of the delivery installation.

Delivery Installation Type Description	<p>The category of delivery installation. The valid values are:</p> <p>BDP = Bureau De Poste CC = Concession Commerciale CDO = Commercial Dealership Outlet CMC = Community Mail Center CPC = Centre Postal Communautaire CSP = Comptoir Service Postal LCD = Letter Carrier Depot PDF = Poste De Facteurs PO = Post Office RPO = Retail Postal Outlet STN = Station SUCC = Succursale</p>
Delivery Mode	The urban or rural mode of delivery comprising a Delivery Mode Type and a Delivery Mode Identifier.
Delivery Mode Identifier	The second part of the delivery mode, uniquely identifying each occurrence of the Delivery Mode Type within the delivery installation.
Delivery Mode Type	<p>The first part of the Delivery Mode, identifying the type of delivery service.</p> <p>CF = Call For DR = Direct GD = General Delivery LB = Lock Box LC = Letter Carrier MR = Mobile Route RR = Rural Route SS = Suburban Service</p>
Demand Route Indicator	<p>Indicates the demand classification of the route, i.e. whether the route is a high demand route. Valid values for this field are:</p> <p>null = Normal Route HD = High Demand Route</p>
Effective Date of Restructure Implementation	The date, in YYYYMMDD format, on which the counts listed for delivery modes become effective.
Expiry Date	The date, in YYYYMMDD format, on which the counts listed for delivery modes become obsolete.
Farm Consumers' Choice Count	The number of farms served by a delivery mode where consumers wish to receive unaddressed mail.

Farm Total Points of Call Count	The number of farms served by a delivery mode.
FSA Code	The FSA comprises the first three characters of a Postal Code. This field is blank for rural postal codes.
House Consumers' Choice Count	The number of houses served by a delivery mode where consumers wish to receive unaddressed mail.
House Total Points of Call Count	The number of houses served by a delivery mode.
Postal Delivery Area Name	The name of a village, town, city or metropolitan area which is served by a postal delivery installation.
Province Code	<p>An alphabetic code listing the province or territory's position geographically. The valid values are:</p> <p>NL = Newfoundland and Labrador NS = Nova Scotia PE = Prince Edward Island NB = New Brunswick QC = Quebec ON = Ontario MB = Manitoba SK = Saskatchewan AB = Alberta BC = British Columbia NT = Northwest Territories YT = Yukon NU = Nunavut</p>
Record Type Code	<p>A code distinguishing installation address records from delivery mode (count) records in both urban and rural situations.</p> <p>Blank = Header Record (first record on file) 1 = Urban delivery installation address record 2 = Urban delivery mode record 3 = Rural delivery installation address record 4 = Rural delivery mode record</p>

Split Delivery Mode Indicator	<p>An indication that counts for the delivery mode are not completely found on the current detail record. Possible values:</p> <p>Blank – the delivery mode occurs only in this FSA. * - the delivery mode occurs in another FSA Code.</p>
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Street Address Number *	<p>The address number portion of a municipal street address of a delivery installation.</p>
Street Address Number Suffix Code *	<p>The address suffix associated with the street address number of a delivery installation address. Examples of street numbers with suffixes are 14½ and 22B. A numeric value denotes a fractional suffix. Fractional code valid values:</p> <p>1 = ¼ 2 = ½ 3 = ¾</p> <p>A through Z equals A through Z respectively.</p>
Street Direction Code *	<p>The street direction component of an official street name. The valid Street Direction Code values are:</p> <p>Space N = North/Nord S = South/Sud E = East/Est W = West O = Ouest NE = Northeast/Nord-est NW = Northwest NO = Nord-ouest SE = Southeast/Sud-est SW = Southwest SO = Sud-ouest</p>
Street Name *	<p>The official civic name or a roadway or artery.</p>

Street Type Code *	The official description used to identify the type of artery or roadway. The valid values are space, or:
Abbey	ABBAY
Acres	ACRES
Allée	ALLÉE
Alley	ALLEY
Autoroute	AUT
Avenue (English)	AVE
Avenue (French)	AV
Bay	BAY
Beach	BEACH
Bend	BEND
Boulevard (English)	BLVD
Boulevard (French)	BOUL
By-Pass	BYPASS
Byway	BYWAY
Campus	CAMPUS
Cape	CAPE
Carré	CAR
Carrefour	CARREF
Centre (English)	CTR
Centre (French)	C
Cercle	CERCLE
Chase	CHASE
Chemin	CH
Circle	CIR
Circuit	CIRCT
Close	CLOSE
Common	COMMON
Concession	CONC
Corners	CRNRS
Côte	CÔTE
Cour	COUR
Cours	COURS
Court	CRT
Cove	COVE
Crescent	CRES
Croissant	CROIS
Crossing	CROSS
Cul-de-sac	CDS
Dale	DALE
Dell	DELL
Diversion	DIVERS
Downs	DOWNS
Drive	DR
Échangeur	ÉCH
End	END
Esplanade	ESPL
Estates	ESTATE

Expressway	EXPY
Extension	EXTEN
Farm	FARM
Field	FIELD
Forest	FOREST
Freeway	FWY
Front	FRONT
Gardens	GDNS
Gate	GATE
Glade	GLADE
Glen	GLEN
Green	GREEN
Grounds	GRNDS
Grove	GROVE
Harbour	HARBR
Heath	HEATH
Heights	HTS
Highlands	HGHLDS
Highway	HWY
Hill	HILL
Hollow	HOLLOW
Île	ÎLE
Impasse	IMP
Inlet	INLET
Island	ISLAND
Key	KEY
Knoll	KNOLL
Landing	LANDNG
Lane	LANE
Limits	LMTS
Line	LINE
Link	LINK
Lookout	LKOUT
Loop	LOOP
Mall	MALL
Manor	MANOR
Maze	MAZE
Meadow	MEADOW
Mews	MEWS
Montée	MONTÉE
Moor	MOOR
Mount	MOUNT
Mountain	MTN
Orchard	ORCH
Parade	PARADE
Parc	PARC
Park	PK

Parkway	PKY
Passage	PASS
Path	PATH
Pathway	PTWAY
Pines	PINES
Place (English)	PL
Place (French)	PLACE
Plateau	PLAT
Plaza	PLAZA
Point	PT
Pointe	POINTE
Port	PORT
Private	PVT
Promenade	PROM
Quai	QUAI
Quay	QUAY
Ramp	RAMP
Rang	RANG
Range	RG
Ridge	RIDGE
Rise	RISE
Road	RD
Rond point	RDPT
Route	RTE
Row	ROW
Rue	RUE
Ruelle	RLE
Run	RUN
Sentier	SENT
Square	SQ
Street	ST
Subdivision	SUBDIV
Terrace	TERR
Terrasse	TSSE
Thicket	THICK
Towers	TOWERS
Townline	TLINE
Trail	TRAIL
Turnabout	TRNABT
Vale	VALE
Via	VIA
View	VIEW
Village	VILLGE
Villas	VILLAS
Vista	VISTA
Voie	VOIE
Walk	WALK
Way	WAY
Wharf	WHARF
Wood	WOOD

	Wynd	WYND
Suite Number *	The number or alphabetic code qualifier of a street number of a delivery installation address.	

Removing Demand Route Indicator

In order to return the file to its form prior to introduction of “Demand Route Indicator” the values within this field (“HD”) must be replaced with two space characters. This can be accomplished via any basic text editor with support for replace.

* For more information on addressing, call 1 800 363-3459 to obtain a free copy of the Canadian Addressing Guide or visit our web site at www.canadapost.ca