

Census Tract Maps User's Guide

Go to the U.S. Census Bureau's [American Factfinder](http://www.census.gov/factfinder/). Scroll down and look in the right column for the "Address Search" section. Click on the hyperlink for entering a street address. Then you will be able to make your selections from a map showing the area of your census tract and surrounding census tracts, and you can access data tables with information about your census tract(s).

Example: To find the census tract of Los Angeles' Central Library, enter the Library's address of 630 W 5th St, Los Angeles CA 90071 in the search box.

The screenshot shows the American Factfinder website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'United States Census Bureau' logo and 'AMERICAN FactFinder' title. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for 'MAIN', 'COMMUNITY FACTS', 'GUIDED SEARCH', 'ADVANCED SEARCH', and 'DOWNLOAD CENTER'. The 'ADVANCED SEARCH' tab is selected.

The main content area has a search bar with the text 'Search - Use the options on the left (topics, geographies, ...) to narrow your search results'. Below the search bar, there are several filters on the left side: 'Your Selections', 'Search using...' (United States), 'Topics' (age, income, year, dataset), 'Geographies' (states, counties, places), 'Race and Ethnic Groups' (race, ancestry, tribe), 'Industry Codes' (NAICS industry), and 'EEO Occupation Codes' (executives, analysts).

The search results section shows 'Search Results: 1-25 of 51,700 tables and other products match "Your Selections"'. A 'Select Geographies' pop-up window is open, showing a search form with the following fields: 'street address' (630 w 5th), 'city' (los angeles), 'state' (California), and 'zip' (90071). Below the search form, there is a table of search results.

Geography	Description	Year
PEPMONTHN	Monthly Population Estimates for the United States: April 1, 2010 to December 1, 2016	2016 Population Estimates
PEPTCOMP	Estimates of the Components of Resident Population Change: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2015	2015 Population Estimates
GCT-PEPANNCHG	Estimates of Resident Population Change and Rankings: July 1, 2014 to July 1, 2015 - United States -- Metropolitan Statistical Area; and for Puerto Rico	2015 Population Estimates
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GCT-PEPANNRES	Annual Estimates of the Resident Population: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2015 - United States -- Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Area; and for Puerto Rico	2015 Population Estimates
GCT-PEPANNRES	Annual Estimates of the Resident Population: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2015 - United States -- Metropolitan Statistical Area; and for Puerto Rico	2015 Population Estimates
GCT-PEPANNRES	Annual Estimates of the Resident Population: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2015 - United States -- Combined Statistical Area; and for Puerto Rico	2015 Population Estimates
GCT-PEPCUMCHG	Cumulative Estimates of Resident Population Change and Rankings: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2015 - United States -- Metropolitan Statistical Area; and for Puerto Rico	2015 Population Estimates
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Click on the “Go” button to view all the various Census geographies and federal political districts for the Library. The Library’s census tract is 2077.10:

Your Selections Search Results: 1-25 of 51,700 tables and other products match "Your Selections"

Search using...
 United States
 United States
 clear all selections and start a new search
 load search | save search

Search using the options below:
 Topics (age, income, year, dataset, ...)
 Geographies (states, counties, places, ...)
 Race and Ethnic Groups (race, ancestry, tribe)
 Industry Codes (NAICS industry, ...)
 EEO Occupation Codes (executives, analysts, ...)

Select Geographies [CLOSE]

List Name Address **Map**

Enter a street address, city and state, or a street address and ZIP code. Click 'Go'.
 Note: address search will use the latest available address data beginning with 2015 and working backwards, based on the contents of Your Selections.

street address city state zip
 630 W 5th los angeles California 90071 GO

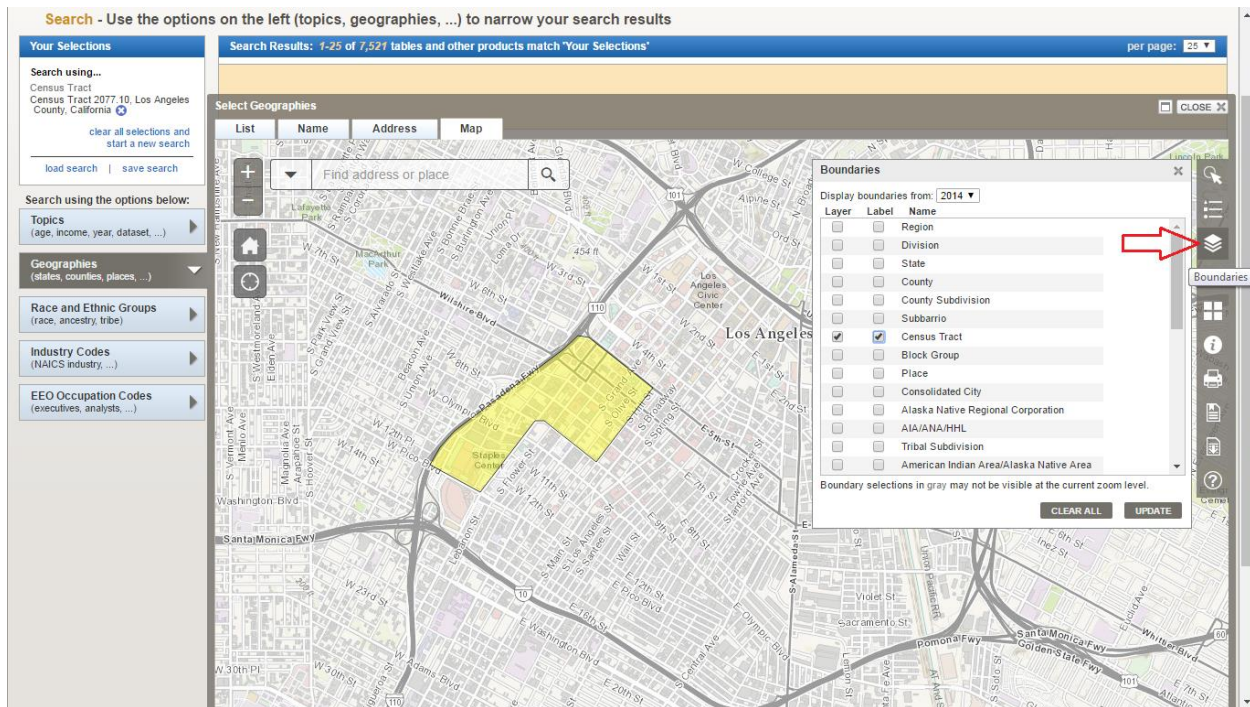
Geographies containing 630 W 5th St, LOS ANGELES, CA, 90071:
 Select geographies to add to Your Selections

Geography Results:

Geography Name	Geography Type	Geography Code	About
West Region	Region	020	?
Pacific Division	Division	030	?
California	State	040	?
Los Angeles County, California	County	050	?
Los Angeles CCD, Los Angeles County, California	County Subdivision	060	?
Block 1020, Block Group 1, Census Tract 2077.10, Los Angeles County, California	Block	100	?
Census Tract 2077.10, Los Angeles County, California	Census Tract	140	?
Block Group 1, Census Tract 2077.10, Los Angeles County, California	Block Group within Census Tract	150	?
Los Angeles city, California	Place within State	160	?
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area	Metro/Micro Statistical Area	310	?
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA Metro Area	Metro/Micro Statistical Area	310	?
Los Angeles city, CA, Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area	Principal City (or part) within State within Metro/Micro Statistical Area	312	?
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, CA Metro Division: Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area	Metro Division within Metro Statistical Area	314	?
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Glendale, CA Metro Division: Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA Metro Area	Metro Division within Metro Statistical Area	314	?
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Riverside, CA CSA	CSA	330	?

Click on “Census Tract 2077.10” to select this tract. Click on the “Map” tab to select additional census tracts. Otherwise, close the Geographies option and use the Topics option above to view demographic data about Census Tract 2077.10.

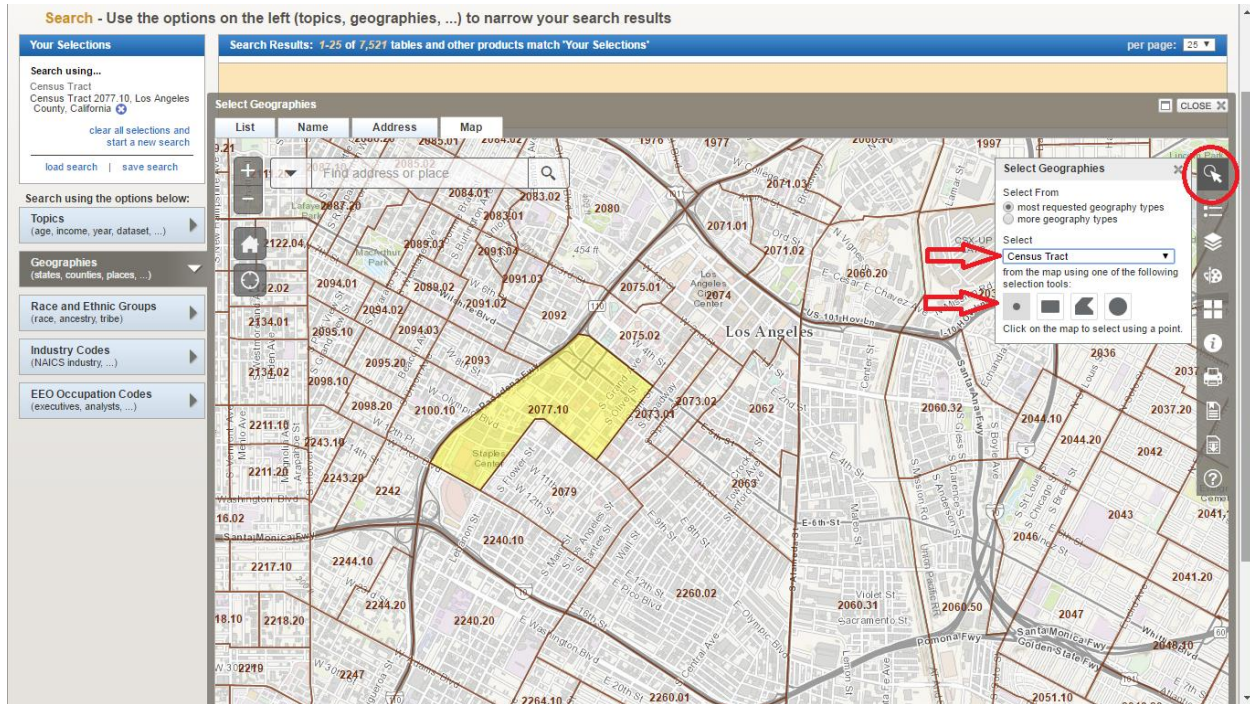
The Map tab displays the selected census tract in yellow. Add boundaries and labels by clicking on the Boundaries icon along the right side, then selecting the Layer and Label options for Census Tract:



After clicking on Update, the current census tract numbers and boundaries for each tract are displayed. American Factfinder displays census tract boundaries back to the year 2000. To select a different year, use the drop-down menu at the top of the Boundaries selection box.

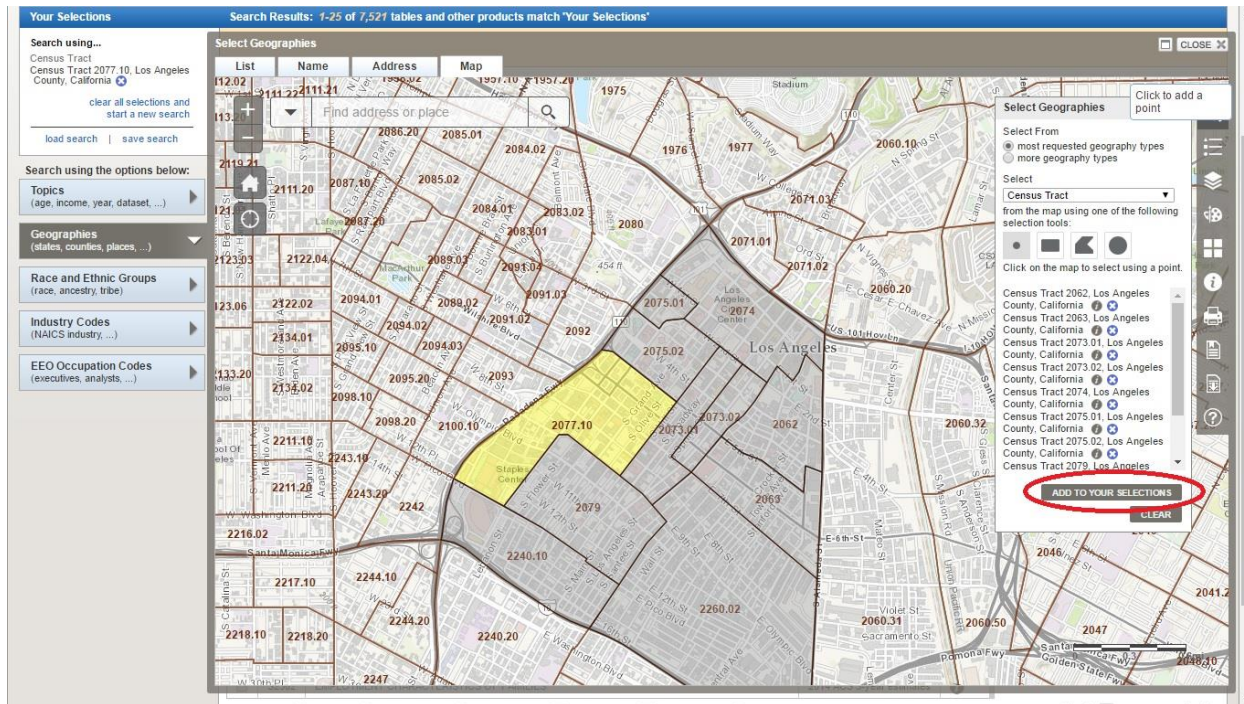
Additional census tracts can be added by using the Select Geographies icon. Be sure to select "Census Tract" from the drop-down menu, and click on the "Select using a point"

option. Use the other options to select all the census tracts within a user-defined circle, rectangle, or custom polygon:



Using the point option, click within each desired census tract boundary. The initial selection is yellow, while the additional selections are gray. Below is a representation of

the census tracts in downtown Los Angeles as defined by Alameda St, the 10 Freeway, 110 Freeway and the 101 Freeway:



Click on “Add to your selections”, so all of the selections are moved to the “Your Selections” section in the upper left corner.

This is a useful method to analyze demographics of neighborhoods or areas in Los Angeles not recognized by the Census Bureau, such as Echo Park, Boyle Heights, and Van Nuys. Consult existing sources for suggested neighborhood boundaries, such as the Los Angeles Times’ [Mapping L. A.](#) project.

Census tracts are reviewed and updated by local governments and organizations prior to each decennial census. Census tract boundaries are determined by nonvisible legal boundaries such as county lines and incorporated city lines. Within the geographic area, visible acceptable boundaries include highways, major avenues, local roads, perennial streams or rivers, ridge lines, or railroad tracks. For more information, see Appendix C of [2010 Participant Statistical Areas Program](#).

Upon selecting the desired census tract(s), close the map option and continue on to the Topics option on the left side to view demographic criteria for the selected census tracts.

Census Tract Reference Maps

The Census Bureau also provides census tract reference maps for the [1990 Census](#), [2000 Census](#) and [2010 Census](#). The files are in Adobe’s PDF format and measure 36

by 32 inches. These maps provide an alternative to the American Factfinder's dynamic interface.

Example: Find the Los Angeles Central Library's census tract number for the 2010 Census using the reference maps.

Visit the webpage for the 2010 Census reference maps:
<https://www.census.gov/geo/maps-data/maps/2010tract.html> .

Select "California" from the drop-down menu and click on "Go".

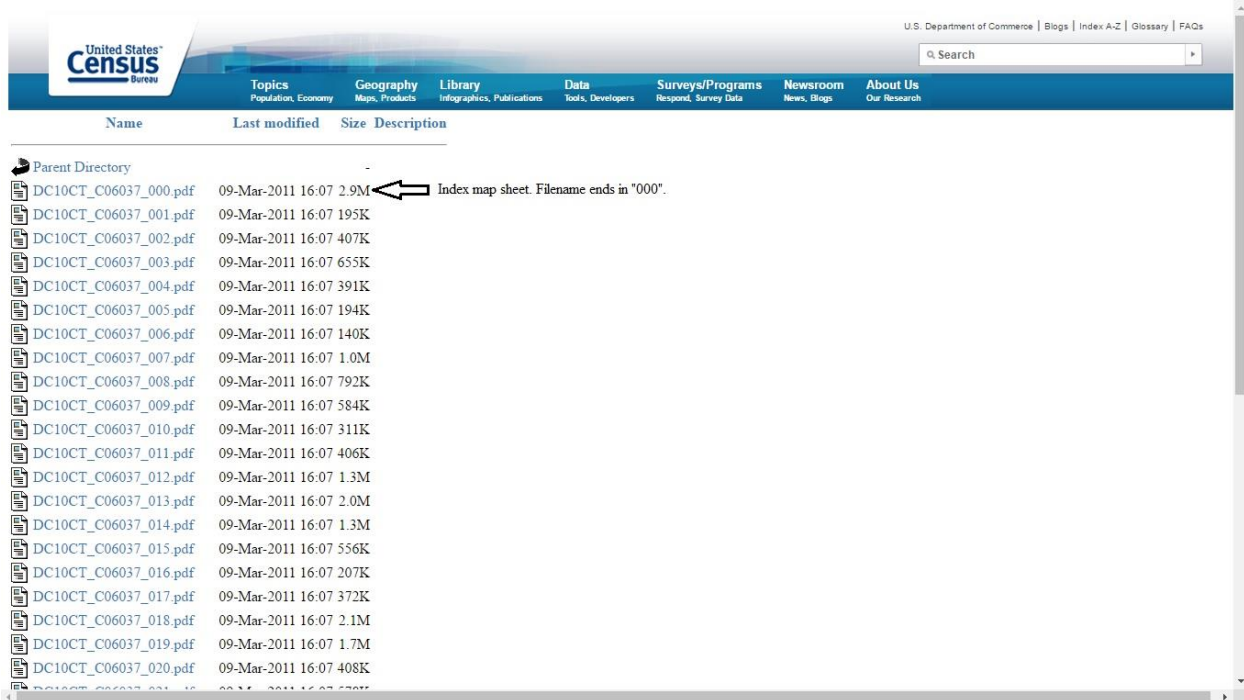
The screenshot shows the United States Census Bureau website. The main heading is "California 2010 Census - Census Tract Reference Maps". Below the heading, there is a navigation bar with tabs for "A", "B", "C", "D", "E", "F", "G", "H", "I", "K", "L", "M", "N", "O", "P", "R", "S", "T", "V", "Y". The "L" tab is highlighted with a red circle. Below the navigation bar, there is a table with the following data:

FIPS Code	County or County Equivalent Map	Total Map Sheets	District to Map Sheet File
06033	Lake	1	c06033_ct2ms.txt
06035	Lassen	1	c06035_ct2ms.txt
06037	Los Angeles	28	c06037_ct2ms.txt

The list of counties are displayed alphabetically. Click on the "L" tab. This page shows that Los Angeles County consists of 28 map sheets, while smaller and more sparsely populated counties such as Lake and Lassen counties consist of one map sheet.

Click on the link for Los Angeles. If a county consists of more than one parent map sheet, then the Census Bureau includes an index map sheet showing how the parent map sheets are configured. Index map sheet files are numbered as '000'. Parent map

sheets are numbered '001' through '999'. Inset map sheets are designated as 'A01' through 'Z99'.



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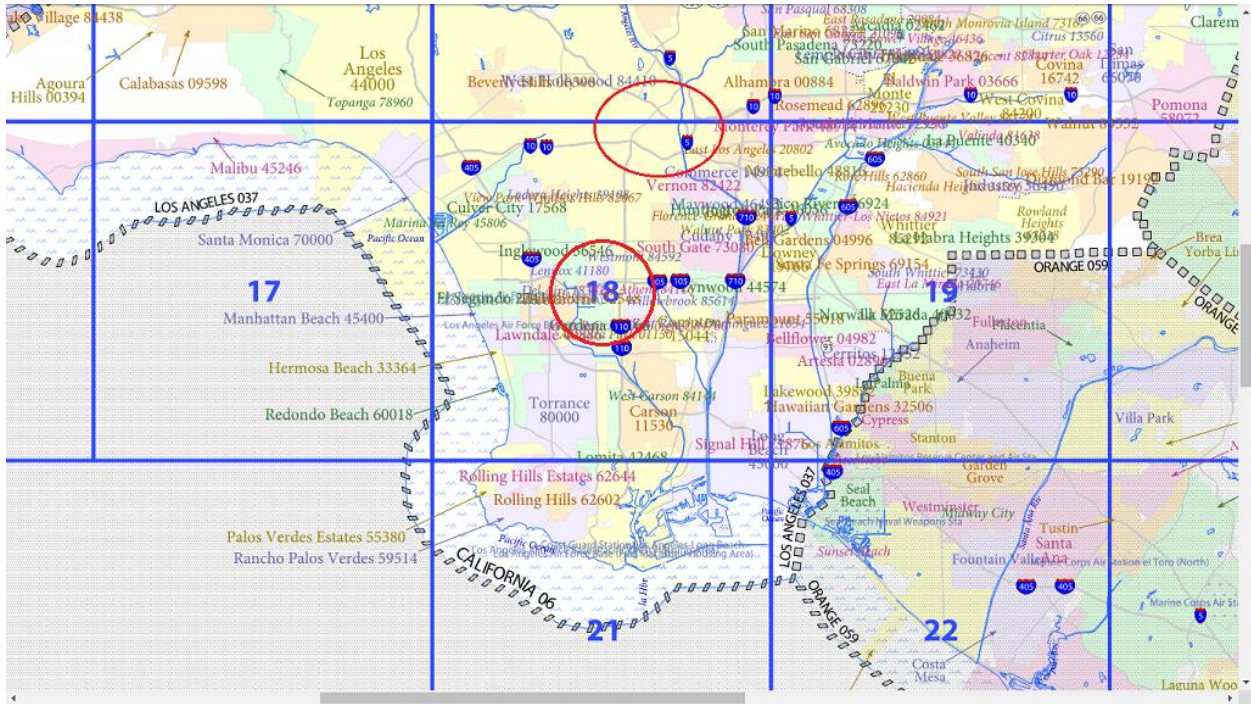
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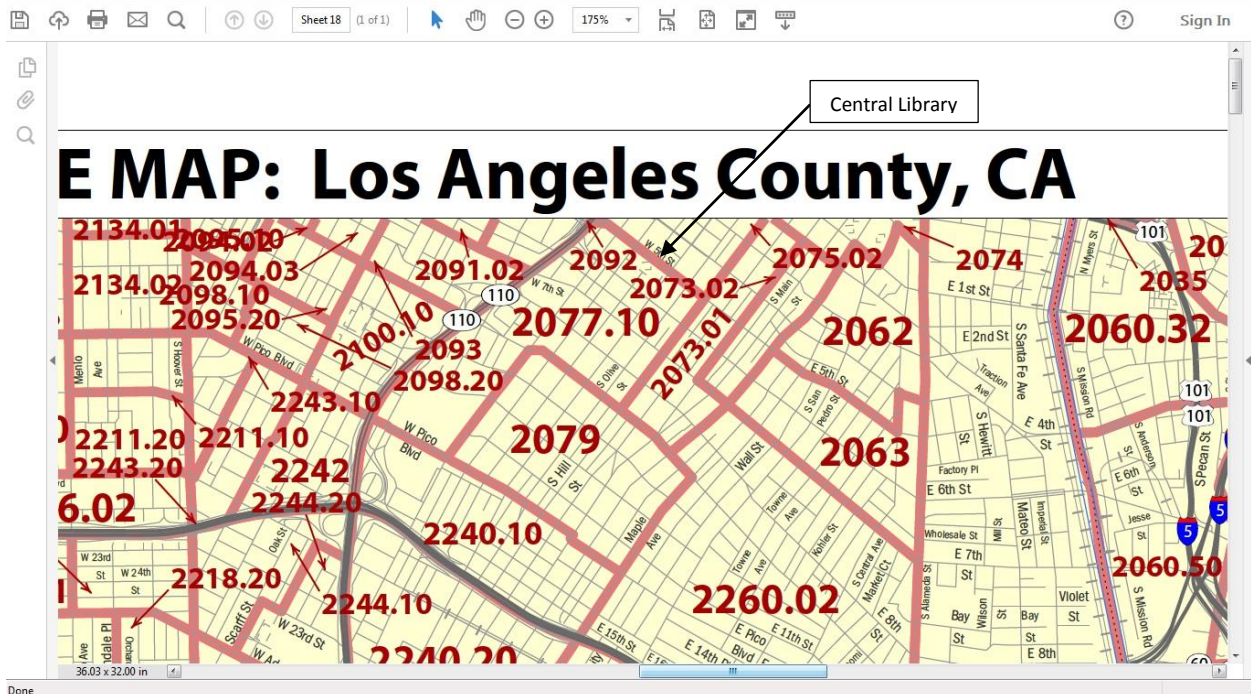
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Click on "[DC10CT_C06037_000.pdf](#)" to open the index map sheet in your browser. Zoom if necessary to read the text and to make the freeways more visible. On the index map sheet, use the 5 freeway and 10 freeway as landmarks, as well as the 110 and 101

freeways that aren't labeled, to determine that downtown Los Angeles area is mostly displayed on parent map sheet number 18:

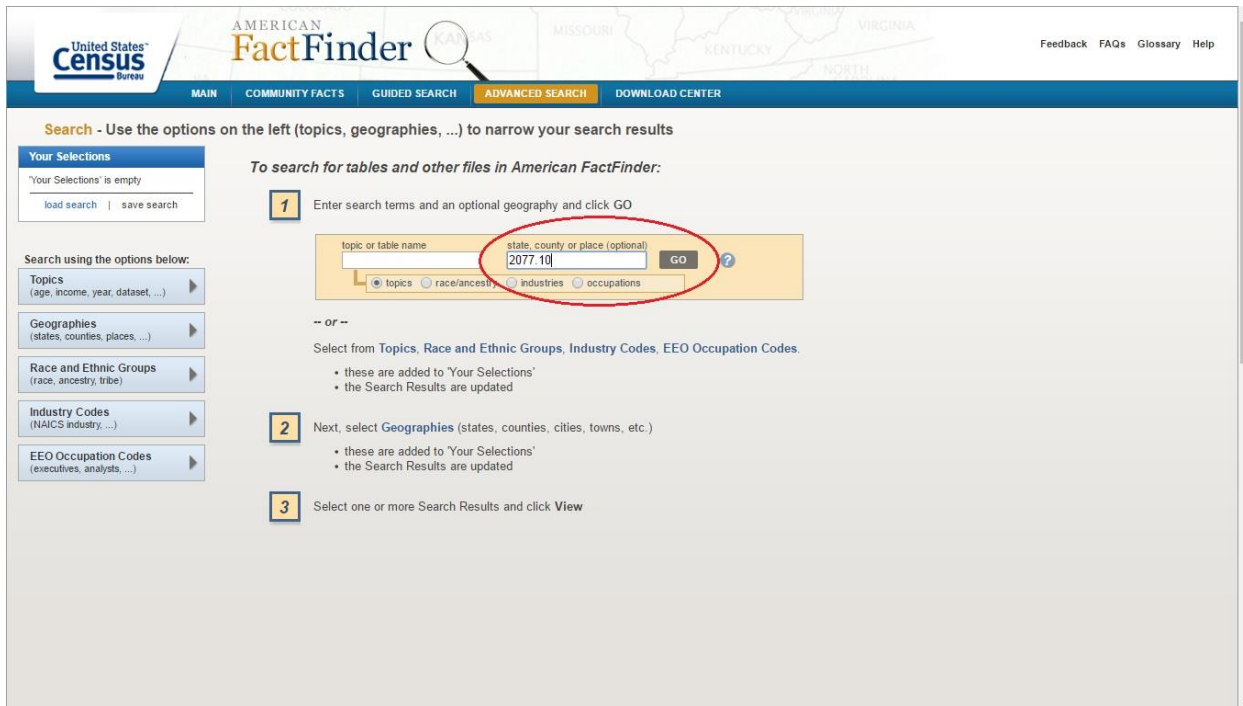


Return to the file directory shown above and click on [DC10CT_C06037_018.pdf](#) to open this map sheet in your browser.



After zooming in on the downtown area, the map shows that West 5th Street is on the border between census tract 2077.10 and 2075.02. Because Central Library is on the south side of West 5th St., it resides within census tract 2077.10. Anything on the north side of West 5th St resides within census tract 2075.02. It may be necessary to refer to a web-based mapping service (e.g. Google Maps, Bing Maps, Mapquest) to verify the exact location of a building to select the correct census tract.

To research demographic data on census tract 2077.10 or others, go to American Factfinder's [Advanced Search](#) page. In the Geography search box, enter "2077.10" as shown below:



Enter more census tracts as desired. Each census tract selected will appear in the "Your Selections" area in the top left. The most recent relevant demographic files will be

listed in the center column. Refine the list by making selections from the Topics category on the left:

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