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Regions

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Table structure

<i>Field name</i>	<i>Field type</i>	<i>Field length</i>	<i>Contents</i>
COUNTRY	Character	45	The country name in full.
GRCID	Character	3	A unique country code used by GRC Database Information
ISO2	Character	3	The ISO 3166 2-digit code for this country.
ISO3	Character	3	The ISO 3166 3-digit code for this country.
ISONUMERIC	Character	3	The ISO 3166 3-digit numeric code for this country.
PC	Character	20	The postal code or first digit(s) or character(s) of a postal code which indicates the region. Thus '95' indicates that all postal codes commencing '95' are in the region(s) specified.
LEVEL1	Character	50	This is the full mixed-case version of the region name. Please refer to the country list below to see what is held in this field for each country.

			E.g. 'Nevada'
POSTAL	Character	70	The version of this region name which is used in addresses. E.g. 'NV'. Only filled if the region name is used in postal addresses.
LEVEL2	Character	70	This is the full mixed-case version of the higher region name. Please refer to the country list below to see what is held in this field for each country. E.g. 'Nord – Pas de Calais'

Country specific information

Transliteration: where the original place names are in a script other than the Latin script used in English (e.g. Greek, Arabic, Chinese, Russian etc.), no single transliterated version exists – many versions can be regarded as correct. In this table, as far as possible we have used a single transliteration version for the whole country, depending upon sources available to us.

Andorra: LEVEL1 contains *parish*.

Algeria: LEVEL1 contains *wilayas*. LEVEL2 is empty.

Australia: LEVEL1 and POSTAL contain *states and territories*. LEVEL2 is empty except for overseas territories (Christmas Island, Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Norfolk Island).

Austria: LEVEL1 contains *Bundesländer*. LEVEL2 is empty. Geocoding is for the full length of the postal code (4 digits)

Belarus: LEVEL1 contains *voblasts*'. Minsk city is not distinguished from Minskaya.

Belgium: LEVEL1 contains *regions and provinces*. LEVEL2 contains *federal area* (Vlaanderen, Wallonie or Bruxelles / Brussel).

Bhutan: LEVEL1 contains *dzongkhag* (district)

Brazil: LEVEL1 contains state name, POSTAL the two-letter state abbreviation.

Cambodia: LEVEL1 contains provinces or municipality (not for shared postal code areas).

Canada: LEVEL1 and POSTAL contain *provinces and territories*. LEVEL2 is

empty. *Québec* is given in French, *New Brunswick* in English and French, the other names in English.

China: LEVEL1 contains provinces.

Costa Rica: LEVEL1 contains provinces.

Croatia: LEVEL1 contains *zupanije (counties)*.

Denmark: LEVEL1 contains region name. The boundaries between postal code regions 6 and 7 do not coincide with regional boundaries so accuracy for these areas cannot be guaranteed.

Dominican Republic: LEVEL1 contains provinces.

Egypt: LEVEL1 contains governorates.

Federated States of Micronesia: LEVEL1 and POSTAL contain the United States Postal Service state indicator. LEVEL2 is empty.

Finland: LEVEL1 contains *sub-region* for postal code areas which are not shared between provinces. The boundaries between postal code do not always coincide with regional boundaries so accuracy for these areas cannot be guaranteed. LEVEL2 contains *province*.

France: LEVEL1 contains *departments and overseas territories*. LEVEL2 contains *regions* (for metropolitan France only).

Germany: LEVEL1 contains *Bundesländer*.

Guatemala: LEVEL1 contains departments.

India: LEVEL1 contains *states and union territories*. LEVEL2 is empty. **Note:** there may be an overlap in postal areas between states and union territories not available in this table. Not for shared postal code areas.

Indonesia: LEVEL1 contains *province* (where postal code districts are not shared between provinces).

Iraq: LEVEL1 contains *provinces and governorates*. Not for shared postal code areas.

Italy: LEVEL1 and POSTAL contain *provinces* where postal codes are not shared between provinces. LEVEL2 contains *regions*.

Jamaica: LEVEL1 contains parishes.

Laos: LEVEL1 contains the province name. Not for shared postal code areas.

Madagascar: LEVEL1 contains parishes.

Malawi: LEVEL1 contains *district*, LEVEL2 contains *region*.

Malaysia: LEVEL1 contains states and federal territories.

Marshall Islands: LEVEL1 and POSTAL contain the United States Postal Service state indicator. LEVEL2 is empty.

Mauritius: LEVEL1 contains *district* or *dependency*.

Mexico: LEVEL1 contains *states*. LEVEL2 is empty.

Micronesia: LEVEL1 and POSTAL contain the United States Postal Service state indicator. LEVEL2 is empty.

Mozambique: LEVEL1 contains provinces.

Namibia: LEVEL1 contains regions.

Netherlands: LEVEL1 contains *provinces*. LEVEL2 is empty.

Nicaragua: LEVEL1 contains *departamentos*.

Norway: LEVEL1 contains *county* for postal code areas which are not shared between counties. The boundaries between postal code do not always coincide with regional boundaries so accuracy for these areas cannot be guaranteed.

Pakistan: LEVEL1 contains *province* or *territory*. Federally Administered Tribal Areas are included in Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa.

Palau: LEVEL1 and POSTAL contain the United States Postal Service state indicator. LEVEL2 is empty.

Papua New Guinea: LEVEL1 contains the province name. POSTAL and LEVEL2 are empty.

Philippines: LEVEL1 contains the province name. Not for shared postal code areas.

Poland: LEVEL1 contains *province* names.

Portugal: LEVEL1 contains *district* names.

Puerto Rico: LEVEL1 and POSTAL contain the United States Postal Service state indicator. LEVEL2 is empty.

Romania: LEVEL1 contains *judete (county)* names

Russia: LEVEL1 contains oblasts, republics, okrugs and krays

San Marino: LEVEL1 and POSTAL contain the Italian Postal Service province indicator. LEVEL2 is empty.

Spain: LEVEL1 and POSTAL contains *provinces*. LEVEL2 contains *regions*.

South Korea: LEVEL1 contains provinces and metropolitan cities.

Sweden: LEVEL1 contains *county* for postal code regions which do not include ground in multiple counties. Note that the postal code area equivalents are not exact and place names along the county borders may be misassigned.

Switzerland: LEVEL1 contains the full canton name in the local language(s), POSTAL the canton abbreviation.

Tanzania: LEVEL1 contains regions.

Thailand: LEVEL1 contains *changwats (provinces)*.

Tunisia: LEVEL1 contains *governorate* names.

Ukraine: LEVEL1 contains *oblasti* names.

United Kingdom: LEVEL1 contains county/unitary authority. NOTE: administrative areas and postal code areas are NOT contiguous in the UK. We have only added this information at the request of customers and cannot guarantee it being 100% accurate. Administrative structures are complex in the UK and we have maintained the most accurate possible solution but exclude all postal code areas which straddle administrative district boundaries. Furthermore, a place may topographically be in one administrative area whilst a ceremonial, even non-existent, county is used in addresses.

United States of America: LEVEL1 and POSTAL contain *state*. LEVEL2 contains *county*.

Vietnam: LEVEL1 contains the province/municipality name.

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