



Federal Aviation Administration

Readme

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To: Users of the Aeronautical Information Service (AIS) 28 Day NASR Subscription

From: Aeronautical Information Services

Subject: Comma-Separated Values (CSV) files

There have been requests from users internal and external for an alternative to the flat text fixed length legacy subscriber files. The CSV files documented here are an attempt to meet this need of a more user-friendly data file. There is a full complement of the legacy subscriber data coded as CSV. Each CSV grouping is accompanied by a DATA LAYOUT document and a CSV DATA STRUCTURE file. See the Data Layout Document and CSV Data Structure File for further information on what data (including data types, max length, nullable, how displayed and organized) is contained in each. For those looking to transition from TXTs to CSVs, we have provided a Legacy TXT to CSV Mapping Document. You can Download it from a link at the top of the Preview and Current 28 Day NASR Subscription page.

Since CSV subscriber files are a new product, we may be making minor changes to the files through 2024 as user input is incorporated. The data within the files is valid data and operationally usable - like the legacy txt. Only the structure of the file may change. Like we do with the current TXT subscriber files, we will provide advance notice of format changes prior to release.

DATUM

The CSV subscriber files do not cite a datum for geodetic coordinates. All US coordinate information provided currently references NAD 83.

SAFETY ALERT NOTICE (24-16 NASR Safety Alert) for 09/05/24: Due to late coordination, some Fix and Holding Pattern data effective for the September 5th, 2024 cycle was not incorporated into the CSV Subscriber Files. A Safety Alert has been issued that includes a link to updated CSV Subscriber files containing the missing Fix and Holding Pattern data. The Safety Alert may be accessed at: [Safety Alerts, Charting Notices & Digital Product Notices \(faa.gov\)](https://www.faa.gov/safety/alerts/charting-notice-digital-product-notice).

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL COMMUNICATION CSV files – ATC_*.csv

The ATC_*.csv files were designed from a deconstruction of the legacy TWR.txt and AFF.txt Subscriber Files. ATC_*.csv files are not a complete replacement but a logical grouping of Tower specific data, Radio Call and Operator Data from TWR1 record, Services from TWR4 record, ATIS from TWR9 record, APCH/DEP Primary/Secondary Operator Hours from TWR2 record, ARTCC/CERAP data from AFF1 record, Remarks from the TWR6 record and ARTCC/CERAP remarks from AFF2.

The ATC_*.csv consists of the following files: ATC_BASE.csv, ATC_ATIS.csv, ATC_SVC.csv and ATC_RMK.csv.

AIRPORT CSV files – APT_*.csv

UPDATE for 09/05/24: AIRPORT (APT_BASE.csv) BASED AIRCRAFT AND ANNUAL OPERATIONS DATA – The based aircraft and annual operations data in the APT_BASE.csv data set, elements A90-96 and A100-105, will be removed from the NASR database and no longer contained in NASR Subscriber files starting with the September 5, 2024 effective date. These fields in the CSV APT_BASE.csv subscriber file will be NULL. Information regarding based aircraft can be found at the National Based Aircraft Inventory Program located on the web at <https://basedaircraft.com/>. Information on aircraft operations is available from FAA's FAA Aviation System Performance Metrics <https://aspm.faa.gov>.

UPDATE for 12/26/24: AIRPORT (APT_BASE.csv) BASED AIRCRAFT AND ANNUAL OPERATIONS DATA – The based aircraft and annual operations data fields found in the APT_BASE.csv data set will be removed from the APT_BASE.csv file beginning with the December 26, 2024 effective cycle. These fields in the CSV APT_BASE.csv subscriber file will be NULL beginning with the 09/05/2024 effective cycle.

The APT_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy APT.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the APT.txt, with the exception of any frequency data which is now located in the FRQ.csv. Data, while comparable to the legacy APT.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way. The APT_*.csv files contain data that was not previously included in APT.txt subscriber – e.g. all airport contact information, not just OWNER/MANAGER, all Fuel Types, etc.

The APT_*.csv consists of the following files: APT_ARS.csv, APT_ATT.csv, APT_BASE.csv, APT_CON.csv, APT_RMK.csv, APT_RWY.csv and APT_RWY_END.csv.

AIRSPACE FIXES CSV files – FIX_*.csv

The FIX_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy FIX.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the FIX.txt. Data, while comparable to the legacy FIX.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The FIX_*.csv consists of the following files: FIX_BASE.csv, FIX_CHRT.csv and FIX_NAV.csv.

AIRWAY CSV files – AWY_*.csv

UPDATE for 09/05/24: A new CSV that merges AWY_SEG.csv and AWY_ALT.csv called AWY_SEG_ALT.csv has been added to the AWY_*.zip grouping. AWY_SEG.csv and AWY_ALT.csv have been removed. Also, MEA_GAP description in the AWY Layout Document was updated to include the “N” value.

This is an Enroute Charting file that is only generated new every 56 days

The AWY_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy AWY.txt and ATS.txt subscriber files. It does not contain the full complement of data that is in the AWY.txt and ATS.txt. Several data items removed as non-essential. A new column called REGULATORY added to be able to combine the two files. Airways designated as REGULATORY “Y” correspond to AWY.txt and REGULATORY “N” correspond to ATS.txt. Data, while comparable to the legacy AWY.txt and ATS.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The AWY_*.csv consists of the following files: AWY_BASE.csv and AWY_SEG_ALT.csv.

ARTCC BOUNDARY DATA CSV files – ARB_*.csv

This is an Enroute Charting file that is only generated new every 56 days.

The ARB_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy ARB.txt subscriber file and the legacy AFF1 record of the AFF.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the ARB.txt and info specific to ARTCCs found in the AFF1 record of the AFF.txt. Data, while comparable to the legacy ARB.txt and AFF.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The ARB_*.csv consists of the following files: ARB_BASE.csv and ARB_SEG.csv.

ASOS/AWOS CSV file – AWOS.csv

The AWOS.csv file was designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy AWOS.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the AWOS.txt with the exception of the frequency data which can be found in FRQ.csv. Data, while comparable to the legacy AWOS.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

CLASS AIRSPACE CSV file – CLS_ARSP.csv

The CLS_ARSP.csv was designed from a deconstruction of the legacy TWR.txt Subscriber File as a logical grouping of the data found in the TWR8 record - CLASS B/C/D/E AIRSPACE AND AIRSPACE HOURS DATA.

CODED DEPARTURE ROUTES CSV file – CDR.csv

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The CDR.csv was designed to replace the legacy CDR.txt Subscriber File. Data while comparable to the legacy CDR.txt also includes a header row and six additional columns - ACNTR, TCNTRs, CoordReq, Play, NavEqp and Length.

COMMUNICATIONS OUTLET FACILITIES CSV file – COM.csv

The COM.csv file was designed as a logical grouping of all Communications Outlet Facilities found in the legacy COM.txt and AFF.txt subscriber files. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the COM.txt as well as RCAG data from the legacy AFF.txt subscriber file. Data, while comparable to the legacy COM.txt and AFF.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

FLIGHT SERVICE STATIONS CSV files – FSS_*.csv

The FSS_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy FSS.txt subscriber file. It does not contain the full complement of data that is in the FSS.txt. FSS frequency data moved to FRQ.csv. FSS.txt items that are redundant because they are contained in other legacy subscriber products are not included here. Owner and Operator information removed as all US FSS are FAA owned and operated. Data, while comparable to the legacy FSS.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The FSS_*.csv consists of the following files: FSS_BASE.csv and FSS_RMK.csv.

FREQUENCY CSV file – FRQ.csv

The FRQ.csv was designed as a comprehensive frequency data file. It is a consolidation of the frequency, use, and airport servicing that is currently reported in the TWR.txt and AFF.txt legacy subscriber files, specifically in the TWR3, TWR7, AFF3 and AFF4 records. It also includes RCO from COM.txt, GCO/CTAF/UNICOM from RMK record type in the APT.txt, ASOS/AWOS from AWOS.txt and FSS/RADIO from FSS.txt.

HOLDING PATTERN CSV files – HPF_*.csv

The HPF_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy HPF.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the HPF.txt. Data, while comparable to the legacy HPF.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The HPF_*.csv consists of the following files: HPF_BASE.csv, HPF_CHRT.csv, HPF_RMK.csv and HPF_SPD_ALT.csv.

INSTRUMENT LANDING SYSTEM CSV files – ILS_*.csv

The ILS_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy ILS.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the ILS.txt. It does not, however, contain DECOMMISSIONED Systems or Components. Data, while comparable to the legacy ILS.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The ILS_*.csv consists of the following files: ILS_BASE.csv, ILS_DME.csv, ILS_GS.csv, ILS_MKR.csv and ILS_RMK.csv.

LOCATION IDENTIFIER DATA CSV file – LID.csv

The LID.csv file was designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy LID.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the LID.txt. Data, while comparable to the legacy LID.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

MILITARY OPERATIONS CSV file – MIL_OPS.csv

The MIL_OPS.csv was designed from a deconstruction of the legacy TWR.txt Subscriber File as a logical grouping of military data found in the TWR1 and TWR2 records.

MILITARY TRAINING ROUTE CSV files – MTR_*.csv

This is an Enroute Charting file that is only generated new every 56 days.

The MTR_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy MTR.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the MTR.txt. Data, while comparable to the legacy MTR.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The MTR_*.csv consists of the following files: MTR_BASE.csv, MTR_AGY.csv, MTR_PT.csv, MTR_SOP.csv, MTR_TERR.csv and MTR_WDTH.csv

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY AREA CSV files – MAA_*.csv

The MAA_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy MAA.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the MAA.txt. Data, while comparable to the legacy MAA.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The MAA_*.csv consists of the following files: MAA_BASE.csv, MAA_CON.csv, MAA_RMK and MAA_SHP.csv.

NAVIGATION AID CSV files – NAV_*.csv

The NAV_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy NAV.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the NAV.txt. It does not,

however, contain DECOMMISSIONED NAVAIDS. Data, while comparable to the legacy NAV.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The NAV_*.csv consists of the following files: NAV_BASE.csv, NAV_CKPT.csv and NAV_RMK.csv.

PARACHUTE JUMP AREA CSV files – PJA_*.csv

This is an Enroute Charting file that is only generated new every 56 days.

The PJA_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy PJA.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the PJA.txt. Data, while comparable to the legacy PJA.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The PJA_*.csv consists of the following files: PJA_BASE.csv and PJA_CON.csv.

PREFERRED ROUTE CSV files – PFR_*.csv

This is an Enroute Charting file that is only generated new every 56 days.

The PFR_*.csv files are designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy PFR.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the legacy PFR.txt subscriber file. Data, while comparable to the legacy PFR.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The PFR_*.csv consists of the following files: PFR_BASE.csv, PFR_SEG.csv and PFR_RMT_FMT.csv.

RADAR CSV file – RDR.csv

The RDR.csv was designed from a deconstruction of the legacy TWR.txt Subscriber File as a logical grouping of radar data found in the TWR5 record.

STANDARD DEPARTURE PROCEDURE CSV files – DP_*.csv

UPDATE for 09/05/24: The RWY_END_ID field in the DP_APT.csv file previously contained a null value when there was no applicable runway end identifier. A null assumed all runway ends at a given airport. The null value has been amended to 'ALL' to facilitate using the field as part of the primary key. The DP_CSV_DATA_STRUCTURE.csv has been amended to reflect 'No' for 'Nullable'.

This is an Enroute Charting file that is only generated new every 56 days

The DP_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout of the Departure Procedure (DP) information from the legacy STARDP.txt subscriber file. It contains a full complement of the DP data that is in the STARDP.txt. Data, while comparable to the legacy STARDP.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The DP_*.csv consists of the following files: DP_BASE.csv, DP_APT.csv and DP_RTE.csv.

STANDARD TERMINAL ARRIVAL CSV files – STAR_*.csv

UPDATE for 09/05/24: The RWY_END_ID field in the STAR_APT.csv file previously contained a null value when there was no applicable runway end identifier. A null assumed all runway ends at a given airport. The null value has been amended to ‘ALL’ to facilitate using the field as part of the primary key. The STAR_CSV_DATA_STRUCTURE.csv has been amended to reflect ‘No’ for ‘Nullable’.

This is an Enroute Charting file that is only generated new every 56 days

The STAR_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout of the Standard Terminal Arrival (STAR) information from the legacy STARDP.txt subscriber file. It contains a full complement of the STAR data that is in the STARDP.txt. Data, while comparable to the legacy STARDP.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The STAR_*.csv consists of the following files: STAR_BASE.csv, STAR_APT.csv and STAR_RTE.csv.

WEATHER REPORTING LOCATIONS CSV files – WXL_*.csv

This is an Enroute Charting file that is only generated new every 56 days.

The WXL_*.csv files were designed as an alternative file type/layout to the legacy WXL.txt subscriber file. It contains the full complement of data that is found in the WXL.txt. Data, while comparable to the legacy WXL.txt, is in some cases organized and presented in a different way.

The WXL_*.csv consists of the following files: WXL_BASE.csv and WXL_SVC.csv.

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