

The FMR history file contains the following fields, all for 2-bedroom FMRs. It is in EXCEL format for easy use with database or spreadsheet programs.

### GENERAL NOTES

1. There are no Fiscal Year 1984 FMRs
2. 1995 Change from 45th to 40th Percentile

In 1995 FMRs began being calculated at the 40<sup>th</sup> percentile; the 1995 Proposed FMRs at both the 45<sup>th</sup> and 40<sup>th</sup> percentiles are included to aid in "splicing" the time series

3. Metropolitan Area Definition Changes

Counties can go from nonmetropolitan status to being part of metropolitan areas, and visa-versa. The primary city in a metropolitan area can change and, therefore its number changes.

4. 50th Percentile Areas

In 2001 FMRs for selected areas began being calculated at the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile level. The 50<sup>th</sup> percentile rents for 39 areas became effective January 2001.

The 39 initial areas set at the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile FMR:

Albuquerque, NM	Atlanta, GA
Austin-San Marcos, TX	Baton Rouge, LA
Bergen-Passaic, NJ	Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY
Chicago, IL	Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria, OH
Dallas, TX	Denver, CO
Detroit, MI	Fort Lauderdale, FL
Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	Grand Rapids-Muskegon-Holland, MI
Houston, TX	Kansas City, MO-KS
Las Vegas, NV-AZ	Miami-FL
Minneapolis-St. Paul MN-WI	Newark, NJ
Norfolk-Virginia Beach-VA-NC	Oakland, CA
Oklahoma City, OK	Orange County, CA
Philadelphia, PA-NJ	Phoenix-Mesa, AZ
Richmond-Petersburg, VA	Sacramento, CA
Salt Lake City-Ogden, UT	San Antonio, TX
San Diego, CA	San Jose, CA
St. Louis, MO	Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL
Tulsa, OK	Ventura, CA
Washington, DC-MD-VA	West Palm Beach-Boca Raton, FL
Wichita, KS	

As the metropolitan areas changed in FY2006, and the areas eligible for 50<sup>th</sup> percentile FMRs changed, there were only 24 50<sup>th</sup> percentile FMR areas effective March 1, 2006:

Albuquerque, NM MSA	Austin-Round Rock, TX MSA
Baltimore-Towson, MD MSA	Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL HMFA
Denver-Aurora, CO MSA	Fort Worth-Arlington, TX HMFA
Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI HMFA	Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford, CT HMFA
Honolulu, HI MSA	Houston-Baytown-Sugar Land, TX HMFA
Kansas City, MO-KS HMFA	Las Vegas-Paradise, NV MSA
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis, WI MSA	New Haven-Meriden, CT HMFA
Orange County, CA HMFA	Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ MSA
Providence-Fall River, RI-MA HMFA	Richmond, VA HMFA
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA MSA	Sarasota-Bradenton-Venice, FL MSA
Tacoma, WA HMFA	Tucson, AZ MSA
Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, VA-NC MSA	Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD, HMFA

In 2007, there were 28 50<sup>th</sup> percentile FMR areas. These are:

Albuquerque, NM MSA	Austin-Round Rock, TX MSA
Baltimore-Towson, MD HMFA	Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL HMFA
Dallas, TX HMFA	Denver-Aurora, CO MSA
Fort Lauderdale, FL HMFA	Fort Worth-Arlington, TX HMFA
Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI HMFA	Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford, CT HMFA
Honolulu, HI MSA	
Kansas City, MO-KS HMFA	Las Vegas-Paradise, NV MSA
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis, WI MSA	New Haven-Meriden, CT HMFA
Orange County, CA HMFA	Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ MSA
Providence-Fall River, RI-MA HMFA	Richmond, VA HMFA
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA MSA	San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos, CA MSA
Sarasota-Bradenton-Venice, FL MSA	Tacoma, WA HMFA
Tucson, AZ MSA	Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, VA-NC MSA
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD HMFA	West Palm Beach-Boca Raton, FL HMFA

There were no changes to the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile areas for FY 2008, but for FY 2009, there are only 14 FMR areas at the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile. These areas are listed below:

Albuquerque, NM MSA	Bradenton-Sarasota-Venice, FL MSA
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL HMFA	Dallas, TX HMFA
Denver-Aurora, CO MSA	Fort Lauderdale, FL HMFA
Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford, CT HMFA	Houston-Baytown-Sugar Land, TX HMFA
Kansas City, MO-KS HMFA	Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis, WI MSA
Richmond, VA HMFA	San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos, CA MSA
Tacoma, WA HMFA	West Palm Beach-Boca Raton, FL HMFA

For FY 2010 there are 17 FMR areas at the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile, as listed below:

Albuquerque, NM MSA	Baltimore-Towson, MD MSA
Bradenton-Sarasota-Venice, FL MSA	Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL HMFA
Denver-Aurora, CO MSA	Fort Lauderdale, FL HMFA
Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI HMFA	Hartford-West Hartford-East Hartford, CT HMFA
Houston-Baytown-Sugar Land, TX HMFA	Kansas City, MO-KS HMFA
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis, WI MSA	New Haven-Meriden, CT HMFA
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD MSA	Richmond, VA HMFA
Tacoma, WA HMFA	Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD HMFA
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton, FL HMFA	

All 17 of these 50<sup>th</sup> percentile FMR areas continue for the FY 2011 FMRs. In addition, there is a new 50<sup>th</sup> percentile FMR area – Bergen-Passaic, NJ HMFA, for a total of 18 50<sup>th</sup> percentile FMR areas.

#### **FIELDS IN FILE**

msa_83	MSA number for that area in 1983
... and so forth to...	
msa_06, and so forth	METROxxxxxxMxxxxx for metropolitan areas and NCNTYxxxxxNxxxxx for nonmetropolitan counties.
Fips	10-digit state, county, metro code
areaname	Area name
name	County name
State	State number
MSAxx	MSA number by year, MSA05 is the MSA number for FMRs in Fiscal Year 2005
County	County number

CouSub	County Sub number
fmrxx	Percentile of FMR for that year (e.g., fmr83 shows 45 because all FMRs are set at the 45 <sup>th</sup> percentile; fmr05 shows some areas at 40 <sup>th</sup> and some at 50 <sup>th</sup> percentile because there were both 40 <sup>th</sup> and 50 <sup>th</sup> percentile areas in 2005).
fmrxx_x	In the all bedroom file, the last x represents the number of bedroom and the first two x's represent the last two digits of the year. For example, fmr98_0 is the zero bedroom FMR for Fiscal Year 1998.

fmrxx_2	In the two bedroom file this represents all final 2-bedroom FMRs by year (for example, fmr06_2 is the final FMR for Fiscal Year 2006 and includes all revisions through June 2, 2006; fmr01_2 is the 2-bedroom FMR for all areas as effective January 2, 2001)
Pop100	2000 Census population
Census_region	Census number (1=Northeast, 2=Midwest, 3=South, 4=West).