

Maryland Higher Education Commission  
Data Dictionary

***ELEMENT TITLE:***

**Application Zip Code**

**DEFINITION:** The US federal zip code which is the student's permanent residence as determined by such evidence as a driver's license or voter registration at the time of application to the institution.

**FORMAT:** numeric – 5 digits

**CODES:** 00000 = Unknown  
01000 through 99998 US Zip Codes  
99999 for Non-US Zip Codes

**COMMENTS:** Used primarily for matching to other records and for GIS mapping.

**RELATED TO:** Current Zip Code, Current Zip +4, Application Zip + 4, Geographic Origin

**SYSTEMS:** EIS

**SYSNAME:** APZIPCD

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