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Subject: Map with GIS points?

Posted by [ozak](#) on Mon, 27 Mar 2023 03:29:32 GMT

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Hi,

I am trying to figure out whether a map with the location of locations in the DHS Geo data files would violate the confidentiality agreement/requirement:

"Agree to treat all data as confidential, and to make no effort to identify any individual, household, or enumeration area in the survey."

The points are not the individuals, nor are the actual locations (since they are usually scrambled). But I am not sure if it would be ok to plot those locations on a map. Any idea?

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Subject: Re: Map with GIS points?

Posted by [Janet-DHS](#) on Thu, 30 Mar 2023 19:49:07 GMT

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Following is a response from DHS staff member, Tom Pullum:

It is ok to produce maps with dots for the locations of the clusters as given in the data files. As you say, the coordinates have been displaced. The displacement procedure has passed reviews for the protection of the respondents. Many such maps have been produced already and there's no restriction on you preparing more.

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Subject: Re: Map with GIS points?

Posted by [ozak](#) on Thu, 30 Mar 2023 20:11:29 GMT

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ok thanks!

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