Product Summary

UK Post Office Branch Locations is a data product that contains point locations for Post Office branch locations in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, with the exception of some non-public sites.

The data product has been recompiled from source data released to Robert Whittaker by Post Office Ltd in October 2023 as a result of a request under Freedom of Information Act and the Re-Use of Public Sector Information Regulations. Based on the file name the source data was extracted from Post Office systems on 27 September 2023. Post Office Ltd has released the data for re-use by under the terms of the Open Government Licence 3.0.

Dr Whittaker comments on his landing page for the source data: "I am told that addresses have been collected independently of AddressBase or similar products, and that the geographic coordinates are not encumbered by any third-party IP rights."

The history of Dr Whittaker's information request can be found at https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/post_office_branch_list_and_open_3 .

Data quality statement

Datadaptive has taken reasonable care in recompiling and preparing the data. However the accuracy and currency of the data is dependent on the source data.

The source data is presented as a table containing one record for each branch location for each day of the week that the branch maintains opening hours. Datadaptive has recompiled that data into a table that contains one record only for each branch location, with additional fields that retain the opening hours for each day of the week.

More current information on branch locations may be available from Post Office's Branch Finder lookup tool.

Data formats

The data is supplied as a table in CSV format, and as geocoded point data in ESRI Shapefile format with the WGS84 projection.

Licensing

The data may be re-used under the terms of the Open Government Licence 3.0.

Attribution

If you re-use this data in a product or application you must use the following attribution statement:

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File Specifications

UK Post Office Branch Locations

File name: POLBL_202309
Record count: 11,720
Geographic coverage: United Kingdom
File format: CSV, SHP

Each file contains the same attributes for each Post Office branch location. Following is a table that describes the columns and attributes in the files.

Field	Type	Field in source data	Description
LOCOUCD	Integer	LOCATION_OU_CODE	Post Office branch location code; should be persistent across releases
BRTYPE	String	BRANCH TYPE	Branch type (either "Directly Managed Branch" or blank")
LOCNM	String	LOCATION_NAME	Branch name
TRADSSNM	String	TRADING_SUB_STATUS_NAME	Trading status of branch (either "Open" or "short term temp closed")
ADDRL1	String	LOCATION_ADDRESS_LINE_1	Branch location address line 1
ADDRL2	String	LOCATION_ADDRESS_LINE_2	Branch location address line 2
ADDRL3	String	LOCATION_ADDRESS_LINE_3	Branch location address line 3
ADDRL4	String	LOCATION_ADDRESS_LINE_4	Branch location address line 4
ADDRL5	String	LOCATION_ADDRESS_LINE_5	Branch location address line 5
POSTCODE	String	LOCATION_POSTCODE	Branch location postcode
LAT	Real	BRANCH_LONGITUDE	WGS84 decimal latitude of branch location
LNG	Real	BRANCH_LATITUDE	WGS84 decimal longitude of branch location
HRSMON	Boolean		Opening hours given for Monday
HRSTUE	Boolean		Opening hours given for Tuesday
HRSWED	Boolean		Opening hours given for Wednesday
HRSTHU	Boolean		Opening hours given for Thursday
HRSFRI	Boolean		Opening hours given for Friday
HRSSAT	Boolean		Opening hours given for Saturday
HRSSUN	Boolean		Opening hours given for Sunday
FRAMMON	String	AM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "MONDAY"	AM opening hours from for Monday (HH:MM or blank)
TOAMMON	String	AM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "MONDAY"	AM opening hours to for Monday (HH:MM or blank)
FRPMMON	String	PM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "MONDAY"	PM opening hours from for Monday (HH:MM or blank)
TOPMMON	String	PM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "MONDAY"	PM opening hours to for Monday (HH:MM or blank)
FRAMTUE	String	AM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "TUESDAY"	AM opening hours from for Tuesday (HH:MM or blank)

TOAMTUE	String	AM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "TUESDAY"	AM opening hours to for Tuesday (HH:MM or blank)
FRPMTUE	String	PM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "TUESDAY"	PM opening hours from for Tuesday (HH:MM or blank)
TOPMTUE	String	PM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "TUESDAY"	PM opening hours to for Tuesday (HH:MM or blank)
FRAMWED	String	AM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "WEDNESDAY"	AM opening hours from for Wednesday (HH:MM or blank)
TOAMWED	String	AM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "WEDNESDAY"	AM opening hours to for Wednesday (HH:MM or blank)
FRPMWED	String	PM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "WEDNESDAY"	PM opening hours from for Wednesday (HH:MM or blank)
TOPMWED	String	PM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "WEDNESDAY"	PM opening hours to for Wednesday (HH:MM or blank)
FRAMTHU	String	AM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "THURSDAY"	AM opening hours from for Thursday (HH:MM or blank)
TOAMTHU	String	AM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "THURSDAY"	AM opening hours to for Thursday (HH:MM or blank)
FRPMTHU	String	PM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "THURSDAY"	PM opening hours from for Thursday (HH:MM or blank)
TOPMTHU	String	PM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "THURSDAY"	PM opening hours to for Thursday (HH:MM or blank)
FRAMFRI	String	AM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "FRIDAY"	AM opening hours from for Friday (HH:MM or blank)
TOAMFRI	String	AM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "FRIDAY"	AM opening hours to for Friday (HH:MM or blank)
FRPMFRI	String	PM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "FRIDAY"	PM opening hours from for Friday (HH:MM or blank)
TOPMFRI	String	PM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "FRIDAY"	PM opening hours to for Friday (HH:MM or blank)
FRAMSAT	String	AM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "SATURDAY"	AM opening hours from for Saturday (HH:MM or blank)
TOAMSAT	String	AM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "SATURDAY"	AM opening hours to for Saturday (HH:MM or blank)
FRPMSAT	String	PM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "SATURDAY"	PM opening hours from for Saturday (HH:MM or blank)
TOPMSAT	String	PM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "SATURDAY"	PM opening hours to for Saturday (HH:MM or blank)
FRAMSUN	String	AM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "SUNDAY"	AM opening hours from for Sunday (HH:MM or blank)
TOAMSUN	String	AM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "SUNDAY"	AM opening hours to for Sunday (HH:MM or blank)
FRPMSUN	String	PM_TIME_FROM where WEEKDAY_NAME = "SUNDAY"	PM opening hours from for Sunday (HH:MM or blank)
TOPMSUN	String	PM_TIME_TO where WEEKDAY_NAME = "SUNDAY"	PM opening hours to for Sunday (HH:MM or blank)