

Interesting and helpful GIS links

<http://www.gis.com>

This web site provides a basic overview of GIS functionality.

http://erg.usgs.gov/isb/pubs/gis_poster/#what

This web site provides an overview of GIS complete with examples sponsored by the US Geological Survey (USGS).

<http://www.esri.com>

Web site hosted by the vendor Environmental Systems Research Institute, the author of ArcView, ArcIMS, ArcReader and ArcExplorer

<http://www.support.esri.com>

The technical support page for ESRI, featuring an extensive knowledge base, downloads of available patches, technical white papers and a user forum.

<http://campus.esri.com>

This web site is the virtual campus for ESRI. Inexpensive web based training on a variety of topics is available from this site. For most of these offerings, the first module is free. The site also features live seminars, offered periodically on a variety of topics. The live seminars are free.

<http://www.geographynetwork.com>

This web site is a clearinghouse for geographic data (both national and international data). Some data is available for download. It is a mix of free and fee-based.

<http://www.topozone.com/>

Sponsored by USGS, this is a good source to find 7 ½ minute USGS quadrangle maps. Key in a place name and see what the quad looks like in that area. There is a fee for downloading this data.

<http://msdis-maps.missouri.edu/>

Mapping site hosted by the Missouri state data repository (MSDIS – Missouri Spatial Data Information Service) located at the University of Missouri.

<http://mcdc-maps.missouri.edu/mapmenu.html>

Mapping site from Missouri Census Data Center. You are asked a series of questions and the appropriate SF3 data from the census will be mapped. Data is available from multiple years of the census.

<http://maproom.missouri.edu/>

Hosted by CARES (Center for Agricultural, Resource and Environmental Systems). You can choose to display data for the entire state or specify a single county. There are several links to other interactive maps from this page.

<http://www.cares.missouri.edu/berm>

This is one of the links from CARES that was very interesting. Provides aerial photo and latitude/longitude based on an address. If you use a zip code instead of an individual address, you have the option to generate a BERM (business environmental risk management) report. This report includes information about environmental factors, slope, floodplain, and at the end of the report is a map of the area.

<http://www.oseda.missouri.edu/jgb/ZIP.resources.html>

This page gives you a detailed explanation of ZIP codes. It provides definitions of what a ZIP code really is, and describes the problems inherent with attempting to use ZIP codes as a geographic unit for analysis. If you have entertained thoughts on doing analysis based on ZIP codes, please read this web site and think again.

<http://factfinder.census.gov>

This page allows you to preview and download demographic information from the 1990 and 2000 census.

<http://maps.epa.gov/enviro/>

This web site is hosted by EPA and maps information from the toxic release inventory (TRI), water discharges etc.

<http://egis.hud.gov/egis>

Web site hosted by HUD, shows public and multi-family housing.

<http://www.melissadata.com/Lookups/index.htm>

This web site provides a variety of lookups such as addresses, zip codes, area codes and phone numbers.

<http://www.switchboard.com>

This web site provides a variety of yellow and white page functions, and also a reverse phone searches, allowing you to find an address for a particular phone number.

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