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Hi [REDACTED],

I would recommend that you use Social Explorer (<http://er.lib.msu.edu/item.cfm?item=049004>) for this, just because it can be slightly easier for this type of thing. So what you'll want to do is choose the option for Table up towards the top of the page. For you data, pick American Community Surveys (1 year estimates). You're going to have to do each year, one at a time starting in 2006. The Census has not yet released the 2014 data (they only just released the 2013 data not long ago), so this data is not available.

The way you'll build your data selection is after clicking Begin Report next to the year you're interested in, you'll need to select your geographies. Based on what you're looking for, I think the geographies you need to pick are Place(160) > Michigan > Detroit City (be sure to click Add); Metropolitan Statistical Area(310) > Detroit/Warren/Livonia (be sure to Add); Urban Area(400) > Detroit Urban Area (be sure to Add). I think these are the geographic areas that will cover what you need. Proceed to Tables, then add Total Population > Show Results. You'll get the values that you need. You can either export this to Excel or you can just make your own table in Excel or whatever program you feel comfortable using and type in the values. If you export, each table you export for the other years will open their own Excel page, so you will need to copy and paste your numbers. Basically, there's no easy way to create a table for these years without you doing a little bit of work by copying/pasting information into a table yourself, unfortunately.

I hope this makes sense and helps! Let me know if you need additional assistance.

Best,
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On Mar 23, 2015, at 8:44 PM, [REDACTED]@msu.edu wrote:

Hi Julia,

I am in Professor Jezierski's class and I need to make a table that shows the population of Detroit from 2006-2014. In the guided search I cannot figure out the correct categories that will get the the information I need. I need the population of the Metro Detroit Area, the Detroit area, and Detroit suburbs from 2006-2014. Please let me know which website I should use and categories I should use to get this information.

Thank you,
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