

# Real-Time Phones Search

The Real-Time Phones Search helps to locate hard-to-find individuals and businesses by running simple phone number and/or address searches. The real-time phones source enhances the existing data sources by providing over 200 million wireless numbers and their detailed carrier information. This real-time information comes from a variety of sources including consumer bureaus, nationwide telephone companies, and phone networks like North American Numbering Plan, which includes the United States, all US territories (except Guam), and Canada.

The Real-Time Phones Search allows you to locate the subject using a variety of search criteria such as the 10-digit phone number or subject name and address combinations. From the results of these queries, you can then request a Phone Detail Report to gather further information on the number, including phone type, line status, carrier information, and ported indicators, from the real-time sources.

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## Quick Start

You can search the Real Time Phone using one or more of the following search criteria:

- Subject Name: First Name, Middle Name or Initial, Last Name  
**Note:** Check [Include similar sounding names](#) option when necessary.
- Street Address: Including house number, street name, city, state, zip code
- Phone Number: 7-digits or 10-digit phone number
- Social Security Number: 9-digits or last 4 digits
- LexID®
- Company Name
- Use the following to search the Real-Time Gateway:
  - 10-digit phone number
  - Subject last name, 9-digit Social Security Number
  - Subject last name, last 4-digits of Social Security Number
  - Subject last name, house number, street name, city or zip code, and state

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# Search Tips

## ***Reference***

This may be an optional field depending on your company policy. It may be used to track your searches and reports for a particular case. You can enter an alpha-numeric string.

Reference is displayed with report names at the top portion of any type of reports.

## ***Search with Phone Numbers***

Search to locate the person or business the phone number is associated with. The service will search in-house phone data sources including Directory Assistance listings as well as the real-time phones source where applicable.

Accepted number of digits in this field is either 10 or seven. If not enough digits (six for example) or more than enough digits (11 for example) are entered, an error message will appear.

## ***Search with Name and Address***

When trying to locate subjects associated with an address, use a combination of name and address to populate results.

Possible name and address combinations are listed below:

- Last Name, First Name (optional), Street Address, City, and State or Zip Code
- Last Name, First Name, City, State

**Note:** Check **Include similar sounding names** to include phonetic (i.e., sound-alike) results for the last name you've entered in the **Last Name** search field. This is a more inclusive search and will return more results.

## ***Search with SSN***

When trying to locate subjects and phone numbers associated with a Social Security Number, use a combination of name and Social Security Number to populate results. Possible search combinations are:

- Last Name, First Name (optional), and the nine-digit SSN
- Last Name, First Name (optional), and the four-digit SSN

## ***Search with LexID®***

LexID® is powerful data linking and analysis technology that works behind the scenes to make connections between seemingly unrelated data. When searching with a LexID, users do not need to enter any additional information for the subject.

## ***Search with Company Name***

In addition to phone number and address, you can also search for business phone listings by the Company Name.

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## Search Results

If no information is found for the number, the service returns "No records found. There was NO CHARGE for this search".

If too many records are found, the service returns "Too many records found. There was NO CHARGE for this search."

Sometimes more than one result is returned for one set of search criteria. This happens for a number of reasons, including but not limited to:


- A phone number is found in multiple data sources and therefore has multiple records
- Change in ownership of a phone number and each owner has a unique record
- Change in personal information (like address change) of an owner and therefore creating different records for the person
- A phone number has been ported and each carrier has an entry in the database
- When searching with a four-digit SSN, multiple subjects could have the same last four digits of their SSN

### ***Returned Elements in the Results List***

Returned elements on the search results list may include some or all of the elements listed below, depending on the data source and results found. Some phone carriers or data sources contain a lot of subject information while others may be more restrictive. For example, in the case of non-published numbers, for the address fields, subscribers may choose to have a city and state listed but not a house number or street. Another example, one carrier may list a name associated with a cell phone whereas a different carrier may return "Wireless Caller" for the Name field.

- Name - Individual/business name or in some cases a description such as "WIRELESS CALLER"
- LexID® - The unique ID related to an individual in the system
- SSN - Nine-or four-digit Social Security Number found for the individual; may be truncated due to permissible purpose or search type (i.e. four-digit search)
- Address - Full or partial address may be returned. Wireless phone numbers are commonly connected to only a city and state
- Listing Type - Residence, Business, or Government
- Phone number - 10-digit phone number
- Carrier name - Name of telephone company or wireless provider
- Carrier city and state - General location of telephone company or wireless provider
- Dates - First and last reported dates of record containing phone number detail (MM/DD/YYYY)

### ***Indicators***

The system may display a red flag  in a record if it is associated with one of the following risk indicators:

- Phone is not active with this person
- First Seen Date is within 0 and 30 days (1st date range)
- Phone Service Type is VOIP

- Primary Subject associated to the phone is deceased
- Phone # has been ported within the past 3 days
- Phone # has received 5 OTP requests within the past 2 days
- Last Seen Date is older than 365 days
- Primary Phone is listed as a Business
- Phone # is a Prepaid Phone
- Phone Service Type is Landline
- First Seen Date is within 31 and 60 days (2nd date range)
- Phone # has had 5 search requests within the past 1 day
- Phone # has been ported more than 5 times with this person
- Phone # is associated with a No Contract Carrier
- Phone Service Type is Wireless
- First Seen Date is within 61 and 90 days (3rd date range)
- Phone # was the origination phone used to spoof another phone # within the past 30 days
- Phone # was the Destination phone used in a spoofing activity within the past 30 days
- Phone # was the spoofed phone used in a spoofing activity within the past 30 days

The system may display a green checkmark in a record when a phone number is returned from a third party gateway. Upon mouse over, the checkmark is described as "This phone was returned from a premium Real-Time gateway."

### ***Other Phones Associated with Subject***

Additional phone numbers potentially associated with the search subject will be returned in results.

### ***Find a Record in the Results List***

Try to identify the unique listings by examining the information displayed. Make sure the records you pick fit into what is already known about the subject.

### ***Narrow/Expand Search Results***

Adding elements like apartment or suite numbers can help narrow down results.

On the other hand when no results are returned, removing search parameters can broaden the search and help populate hard to find subjects. For example, if searching by Last Name, First Name, Street Address, City, State, and Zip yields no results, you may want to try searching without the First Name or a Zip Code.

### ***Download Search Results List***

If the results list is lengthy or if you need to perform further analysis on the search results, you can download the records and save them to your hard drive. Just make sure the computer system is equipped with Microsoft Excel.

To download:

1. Click the **Export to Excel** button on the top or the bottom of the results list. The Download Selection prompt displays.  
**Note:** If there are just a few records on the results list, you will not get this prompt. You will get the File Download prompt instead. In that case you go directly to step 4.
2. Leave the default selection (records on the first results page) as is or switch to the second download option, which includes all the returned records.
3. Click the Download button. You get the File Download prompt.
4. Click the Save button.
5. Follow the prompts to save the file, just like you do when saving any files.

**Note:** The saved file format is .csv (compatible with Excel). To convert it to an .xls file, open the csv file in Excel. Then use **File->Save As** to save it to .xls.

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## Next Steps

There are a few things you can do with the results records. You can copy/print/email one or all records in the results list; search deeper on Name, Address, LexID, and Phone; and order reports.

### ***Search Deeper***

In the results list, the Address and Phone contain links for further searches.

1. Click the **Name / Address / LexID® / Phone** link. The Further Research box to the right of the record will contain all the possible options for further searches.  
**Note:** The search options differ depending on the element to be searched.
2. Make a selection from the Further Research box. The system automatically performs the search selected and populates the results.

### ***Order Reports***

You can order three reports from the results list: Phone Detail Report (PDR), Address Report, and Other Reports.

Phone Detail Report (PDR) can be obtained for any valid 10-digit phone number on the search results list.

To order:

1. Click the Phone Detail Report link in the Further Research box.

2. In a few seconds the Phone Detail Report populates the window. Click here for a [sample PDR](#). Some fields show potential values.

Address Report is available only for a complete address, one that has Street Address, City, State, and Zip Code.

To order:

1. Click the Address Report link. The Request Report window pops up.
2. Check Residential or Business for the Base Report Features section.
3. Check other options as desired in the Additional Report Options section.
4. Click the **Request Report** button.

To order Other Reports:

1. Click the Other Report link. A new window opens where you can select from the following reports: Summary, Finder, Asset, Comprehensive, and Custom Comprehensive. The Entitlements Report is also available in Accurint for Government only.
2. Check the desired report to order.
3. Click the **Request Report** button.

### ***Universal Report Options***

There are two check boxes on the Request Report window.

**Prompt me for these options for each report** – Check this option if you want to see the Request Report window every time you run a report. If you uncheck it, the next time you click on a report link the Request Report window will not pop up and you will be brought to the report directly. You will not have a chance to turn on/off the **Save report for later access** option.

**Caution:** It is recommended that you leave this checked all the time. Once you uncheck it, when you need to see the Request Report window, you will have to change the Report Options by the Preferences tab of **My Account** by following the steps below:

1. From the Account drop-down menu, click the Preferences link.
2. You will be prompted to **Verify Password**.
3. Once you enter the password, click the Continue button. You are brought to the Preferences tab.
4. Click the down arrow for **Other User Settings** and select the appropriate report from the list.
5. Check the box by **Prompt me for these options for each report**.
6. Click the **Save Preferences** button. You will see "Your Preferences have been Saved" in the middle of the page.

**Save report for later access** - If you check this option, this report will be saved to the Report Manger in **My Account** and will stay there for seven calendar days. You can access this report anytime within the seven-day limit by clicking the **View Report** icon. If you do not check this option, you will need to re-run the report to access the same information.

**Note:** If you check this option once, it will be checked by default next time you run a report. You can decide each time if you want to turn this feature on or off.

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## Phone Detail Report (PDR)

The following is a sample PDR.

**Important:** The Public Records and commercially available data sources used on reports have errors. Data is sometimes entered poorly, processed incorrectly and is generally not free from defect. This system should not be relied upon as definitively accurate. Before relying on any data this system supplies, it should be independently verified. For Secretary of State documents, the following data is for information purposes only and is not an official record. Certified copies may be obtained from that individual state's Department of State.

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**Your DPPA Permissible Use:** Use in the Normal Course of Business

**Your GLBA Permissible Use:** Authorized by Consumer

**Your DMF Permissible Use:** Legitimate Fraud Prevention Interest

### Phone Detail Report

Name:	JOHN DOE
SSN	123-45-6789
LexID	9876543210
Address:	12345 MAIN STREET HOT SPRINGS, FL 33000-0000
Phone:	123-456-7890
Carrier Information:	BELLSOUTH SO BELL

Source:

This phone was returned from a premium Real Time gateway

Deceased:

N

REAL TIME PHONE DETAIL:

Name:

John Doe

Caller Id Name:

Doe, John

Address:

12345 Main Street  
Hot Springs, FL 33000-0000

Listing Creation Date:

03/05/2004

Address Type:

Street Address

Phone Line Status:

Active-Landline

Phone Listing Type:

Residential

Non-Published:

N

Ported Indicator:

Y

Operating Company Name:

Bellsouth Telecomm Inc dba Southern Bell Tel & Tel

Operating Company Affiliated To:

AT&T

Operating Company Address:

123 Main Street  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312

Operating Company Phone:

(954) 555-1212

Operating Company Fax:

(954) 555-1213

Company Contact Email:

john.smith@bellsouth.com

Company Contact Address:

123 Main Street  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312

Latitude:

26.2873

Longitude:

-80.2877

Congressional District:

19

Carrier Route:

R071

Sort Zone:

D

FIPS:

12011



MSA: **2680**

CMSA: **56**

Time With Primary Phone:

Time Since Last Seen With Primary Phone:

Porting Count:

Disconnect Date:

Spoof - Spoofed Count:

Destination - Spoofed Count:

Source - Spoofed Count:

Phone Risk Indicator:

Call Forwarding Indicator:

### ***Detailed Description of the PDR***

**NOTE:** Any fields that are returned as blank in the Real-Time Phone Detail section will not be displayed.

There are two parts to this report. The top part (lines above the dividing horizontal bar) matches the information on the search results list and is consisted of the following:

- Name, LexID, Social Security Number, address, and phone number
- Carrier name with City and State
- Source
- Deceased indicator

The second part contains the most current information found for the phone number from the real-time phones source. Only when a number is not located in the real-time phones source will data be returned from another source. If no data is found for a number from all sources, the fields in this part will be blank.

Sometimes you see multiple entries or details associated with a phone number. This may occur when there is more than one record found from the real-time gateway sources that is different from other records, for example, from a consumer bureau source.

The second part of the report consists of the following:

- Name: Individual or business name associated with the phone number
- Caller Id Name: Calling party name or caller ID, which may be associated with either a business or an individual. Name format may vary. Examples: Smith, John or John Smith.

**Note:** If the source or phone type indicates a wireless number, Caller Id Name may be populated without any information returned in the Name field, or both may be missing.

- Address: Address associated with the phone number including street/PO Box/suite/apartment number, street name, city, state, and zip code.
- Listing Creation Date: Oldest available date found for phone listing. This can be the original date of when the listing first appeared. Format is mm/dd/yyyy.
- Address Type: General description of type of address associated with the phone number. It can be any of the following:
  - Residential
  - Business
- Phone Line Status: General description of type of phone line associated with phone number. It can be any of the following:
  - ACTIVE-LANDLINE
  - ACTIVE-WIRELESS
  - ACTIVE-VOIP
  - ACTIVE-UNKNOWN LINE TYPE
  - INACTIVE-LANDLINE
  - INACTIVE-WIRELESS
  - INACTIVE-VOIP
  - INACTIVE-UNKNOWN LINE TYPE
  - UNKNOWN LINE TYPE OR BLANK
- Phone Listing Type: General description of type of phone listing associated with the phone number. It can be any of the following:
  - RESIDENTIAL
  - BUSINESS OR GOVERNMENT
  - BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT, or RESIDENTIAL
- Non-Published: Indicator if the phone number is not available via phone company directory assistance or phone books. It can be **Y** (Yes) or **N** (No).
- Ported Indicator: Indicator if the phone number has been ported. (A land line can be ported to a wireless carrier; a wireless number can switch carrier.) It can be **Y** (Yes) or **N** (No).
- Operating Company Name: Name of operating company related to phone number; may be acquired or subsidiary of larger corporation. Example: BOB'S CINGULAR SERVICE – WI.
- Operating Company Affiliated To: Name of affiliated company working in conjunction with operating company. Example: VERIZON WIRELESS.
- Operating Company Address: Address containing all components of a street address found associated with the operating company of the phone number including street/PO Box/suite/apartment number, street name, city, state, and zip code.
- Operating Company Phone: General phone number for the operating company or one associated with operating company contact

- Operating Company Fax: General fax number for the operating company
- Operating Company Contact: Contact for the operating company. This person may or may not be responsible for subpoena information, but can be contacted as to who handles these types of requests.
- Company Contact Email: Email address of operating company contact
- Company Contact Address: Address containing all components of a street address found associated with the operating company contact including street/PO Box/suite/apartment number, street name, city, state, and zip code.
- Latitude: Standardized latitude of the returned address in decimal format (negative or positive). Example: 38.926583.
- Longitude: Standardized longitude of the returned address in decimal format (negative or positive). Example: -77.032405.
- Congressional District: Federal Congressional District code (two characters) based on returned address information. Commonly used for Federal, state, and local information such as census counts, Federal financial aid, and election mailings. Example: 25.
- Carrier Route: US Postal Service standardized carrier route (four characters) based on returned address information. Commonly used for mailings by government or businesses in conjunction with the US Postal Service. Example: R003.
- Sort Zone: US Postal Service standardized carrier sort zone (one character) based on returned address information. Commonly used for mailings by government or businesses in conjunction with the US Postal Service. Example: 2.
- FIPS: Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS code) based on returned address information. It is a combination of a 2-digit state code and a 3-digit county code used to define land areas. Example: 12073 (for Boca Raton, FL).
- MSA: Metropolitan Statistical Area, based on returned address information. Example: 16980.
- CMSA: Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Area, based on returned address information. Example: 08720.
- Time With Primary Phone: Time (in months) with the primary phone number.
- Time Since Last Seen With Primary Phone: Time (in months) since last seen with the primary phone number.
- Porting Count: Number of porting events for the phone number while it was associated to the primary subject.
- Disconnect Date: Date that the primary phone number was disconnected (yyyyMMdd).
- Spoof - Spoofed Count: Number of times that the primary phone number was used to spoof another phone number while it was associated to the primary subject.
- Destination - Spoofed Count: Number of times that the primary phone number received a spoofing event while it was associated to the primary subject.
- Source - Spoofed Count: Number of times that the primary phone was used to spoof another phone number while it was associated to the primary subject.
- Phone Risk Indicator: Phone risk indicator that is based on rules for Pass, Warn, or Fail. Relates to alerts for Phone Association, Phone Activity, and Phone Criteria.
- Call Forwarding Indicator: Phone number is indicated as being forwarded at the time of query (Forwarded or Not Forwarded).

The third part of the report will contain information from sources that are considered in-house data and will be displayed as **Possible Historical Phone Records**. It lists additional records related to the phone number. These records are shown in a date descending order (most current shown first, least current shown last) and include subject name, address, and phone number data, and dates associated with the records.

**+/- Possible Historical Phone Records** (with an expand and collapse option via the +/-) contains the following elements:

- Name - Individual or business name associated with the phone number
- Address - Address associated with the phone number including street/PO Box/suite/apartment number, street name, city, state, and zip code
- Phone – Phone number
- Dates associated with record – Dates of the first and last reported dates associated with records containing phone number data
- Spoofing History Phone Origin: Spoofing event type (Source, Spoof, or Destination).
- Spoofing History Event Date: Date that the primary phone number was used in a spoof, destination, or source event (yyyyMMdd).

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