

GOOGLE MAPS BASICS

What is Google Maps?

Google Maps is a desktop and mobile web mapping service developed by Google. It offers satellite imagery, street maps, 390 degree panoramic views of streets, real-time traffic conditions, and route planning for travelling.

Google Maps—Not just for cars

Google Maps is available for navigation by foot, car, bicycle, or public transportation! Since

Google Maps can be accessed via computer, tablet, or phone, there are a lot of different ways it can be used.



Terminology Defined

Satellite imagery = Images of Earth collected by satellite. Satellites can be operated by governments or businesses (in this case Google).

Street view = Provides panoramic views from positions along many streets in the world. What it would look like if you were standing on that street.

Google Traffic = A feature that displays traffic conditions in real time on major roads and highways.