What Users Are Saying About ArcGIS 8.1

"Powerful, Practical, Extensive, Accessible, and Improved." ESRI® ArcGIS™ 8.1 users are not at a loss for words when they respond to the question, "What features of ArcGIS 8.1 are most appealing to you?" The breadth of our users and variety of their responses illustrate that ArcGIS 8.1 has a widespread appeal for many different reasons. Try ArcGIS 8.1 and see for yourself what has the geographic information system (GIS) world talking.

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"My favorite features of ArcGIS 8.1 are easier and more powerful feature editing, improved cartography, and the capability to use industry-standard programming environments."

Nick Seigal Criterion Planners/Engineers Project Analyst

"The new ArcEditor™ is really handy, practical, and

easy to use."

Jean-François Desjardins Tecsult GIS Consultant

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"The easy user interface of ArcGIS is most appealing."

Dr. Fred Collins IBM Global Service Federal Information Technology Architect

"Our lab staff was impressed with the advent of the new extensions, viewing ArcGIS 3D Analyst™ via ArcScene™, integrated raster and vector analysis via ArcGIS Spatial Analyst, and the accurate surface creation that ArcGIS Geostatistical Analyst provides."

Paul Shanayda Ball State University-UCS/OGIS GIS Coordinator "When interpolating natural processes, such as geologic surfaces or groundwater flow, kriging is really the preferred

method. The inclusion of more spatial interpolative methods in ArcGIS is a huge feature. Now, to do powerful interpolations of data trends, ArcGIS users no longer have to deal with the preprocessing of data for export to another application. With Geostatistical Analyst, you get to adjust the interpolation methods and parameters and see a preview of the grid in real time as the changes are made in the wizard, so once the final methods and parameters are determined, the grid is created once as a layer."

Daniel M. Petrecca Langan Engineering and Environmental Services, Inc. Senior Staff Hydrogeologist/GIS



ArcObjects

"One of the more appealing characteristics of ArcGIS is the programmable object model. It allows us to use the ArcGIS features in our utility modeling applications and to extend ArcMap with additional functionality."

Christopher M. Palmer Utility Automation Integrators, Inc. Application Developer

"ArcObjects" is a solid technology that we can build on."

Simon Biickert, M.Sc. INFORM-Network for Management Systems Limited Software Developer "ArcObjects is a great selling point for integrating GIS with anything on our client's desktop or Internet. ArcObjects is so much easier than AML, Avenue, or even the ArcInfo Open Development Environment."

Margaret Herzog Foothill Engineering Consultants, Inc. GIS Coordinator/Civil Engineer

"Using ArcObjects to extend ArcGIS applications or create new stand-alone applications is very attractive."

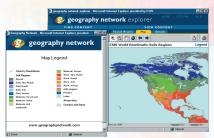
Gloria Boudreau NovaLIS Technologies Network/System Administrator

ArcIMS, Geography Network

"The ability to use ArcIMS" services is one of my favorite features in ArcGIS 8.1."

Glenn Hazelton Massachusetts Water Resources Authority GIS Coordinator

"With the Geography
NetworkSM I can
access a variety of
geospatial data and
integrate this data into



ArcMap. I can then analyze my local data along with the data provided from the Geography Network. ArcMap also allows me to integrate data from any ArcIMS server for geospatial analysis with my local data. With the advent of the Geography Network, I now have a centralized location to search, explore, and access data from around the world on many different geographical subjects."

Terry Lehman Orbital Imaging Corporation Senior Principal Engineer

Geodatabase, Data Models

"The ability to perform direct editing of the geodatabase in ArcSDE is extremely appealing to us. Versioned editing and long transactions could fit very well into our map revision process."

USDA Forest Service

Development Unit Leader

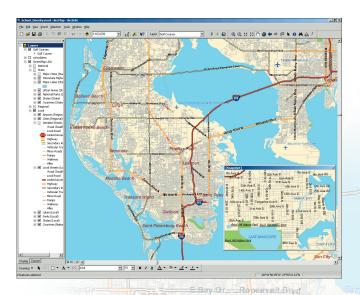
"The fact that ArcGIS 8.1 adds support for routes, linear referencing, and dynamic segmentation is



vital to our business. Some of the likable features include improved cartographic tools, custom symbols and line styles, layout rotation, geoprocessing wizards, and projection on the fly."

Timothy V. Gunn, P.E. New Hampshire Department of Transportation GIS Application Engineer

ArcInfo 8.1



"Overall, the easy-to-use interface combined with tremendous capabilities is remarkable. ArcInfo 8.1 is a great product. ArcMap™ puts the world and its data at your fingertips with connectivity to ArcSDE™, ArcIMS®, and the Geography Network™, as well as your own local data."

Jeffery Nighbert Bureau of Land Management

"The fact that I can access most of the power of ArcInfo™ 8.1 through an intuitive user interface is very appealing. I can get impressive results with minimal effort."

Alan B. Smith
Affiliated Computer Services, Inc.
Senior GIS Programmer Analyst

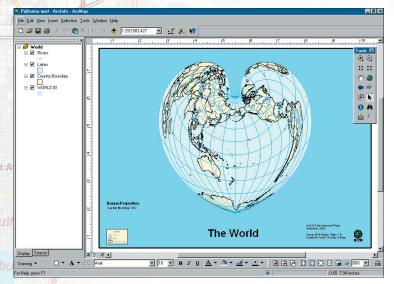
"My favorite features of ArcGIS 8.1 are projection on the fly, feature-linked annotation, and snapping across themes. Very cool!"

Mike Smith
ABR, Inc., Environmental Research and Services ure Island
GIS Specialist

"The fact that ArcView" and ArcInfo are no longer dissimilar programs is a big plus. This makes it easier to program, learn, teach, and produce maps."

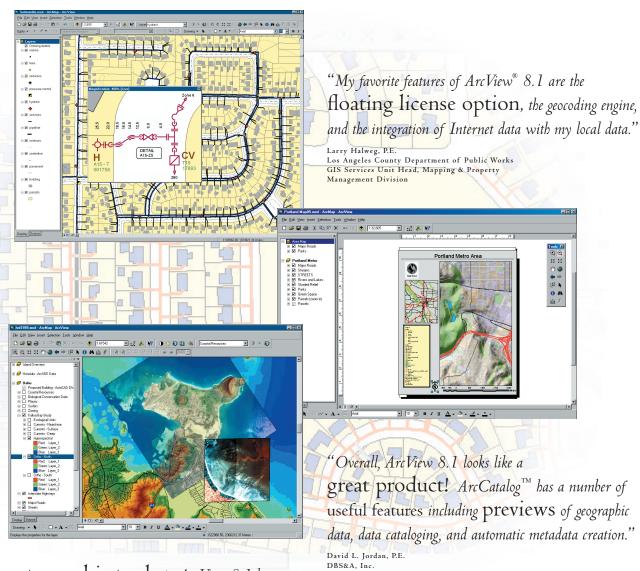
"The intuitive user interface makes ArcInfo accessible to all."

Steve Evans
Centre for Advanced Spatial Analysis (CASA), UCL, United Kingdom
GIS Analyst



Brent Mainzinger The Sidwell Company Director, GIS Applications

ArcView 8.1

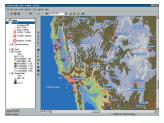


Program Manager

"The cartographic tools in ArcView 8.1 have improved significantly. The number of options is mind-boggling."

Babak Negahban MapLogic Corporation President

ArcMap, ArcCatalog, ArcToolbox



"By far, ArcMap™ is the best part of ArcGIS. I appreciate the similar interface and programming environments of the two flagship software products from ESRI—ArcView and ArcInfo."

James Price Mississippi Department of Marine Resources Senior Systems Administrator/GIS

"The integration between the Data View and the Layout View in ArcMap is very appealing. I also like the delineation between ArcMap, ArcCatalog™, and ArcToolbox™. It is a very logical structure."

Chris Green U.S. Department of Agriculture GIS Programmer

"ArcCatalog has the ability to keep an active list of file locations, to drag and drop files between locations, and to preview data. I also like the Windows[®] look and feel and the ease of use of ArcMap."

Steve Lewis NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service GIS Coordinator

"The ability to manage metadata in ArcCatalog is most appealing. It not only allows you to create, edit, and save metadata with data, but it also allows you to export metadata in different formats. This is a very helpful feature for GIS professionals."

Tsering Wangyal Shawa Princeton University Geographic Information Systems Librarian

"The graphical user interface and wizards of ArcToolbox are the most appealing part of ArcGIS 8.1. Batch processing of data conversions is a big time saver and extremely easy to use."

Felicia Retiz Texas Natural Resources Information System GIS Analyst

VBA, Customization

"Combining ArcView and ArcInfo into one base code is great. Now we can extend ArcView in ways that were difficult before."

Ben Ferguson Bluegrass GIS, Inc. Senior GIS Analyst



"I like the integrated approach to the data and applications as well as the use of VBA—which is crucial!"

Chris DeJager AMEC Technologies Limited, Canada Technical Architect

"Programming with VBA and the simple drag and drop customization options are extremely appealing, not to mention the various file formats that are viewable through ArcInfo and ArcView 8.1."

Jake Krall City of Waco GIS Analyst

"The most appealing feature of ArcGIS is the replacement of Avenue™ and ARC Macro Language (AML™) with Visual Basic® for Applications. This change is overdue and will allow us to develop better tools for users."

Scott McEachern The Omega Group GIS Developer



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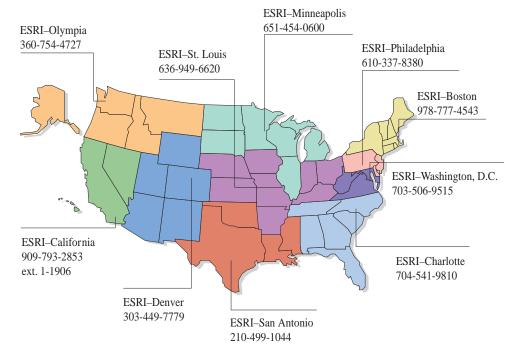
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