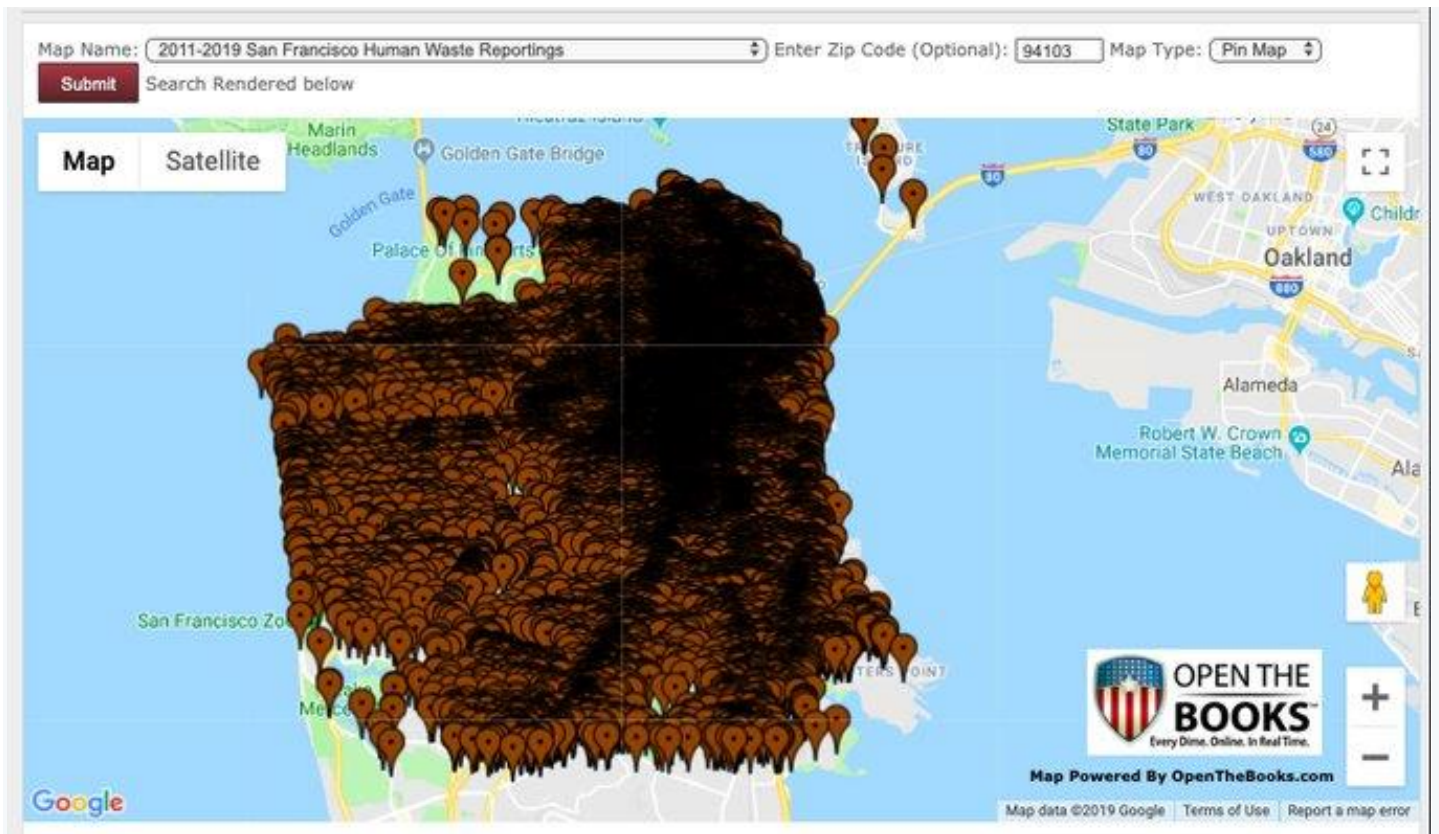


Here's the Eye-Popping Number of Cases of Human Poop on San Francisco Streets

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There have been roughly 118,352 reported instances of human fecal matter spotted on San Francisco streets since 2011 as California works to stem the tide of poop coursing through the Golden State, an April Forbes report noted.

OpenTheBooks.com [plotted](#) all reports of human waste in the city over the past eight years. Auditors at OpenTheBooks used latitude and longitude address coordinates of all cases closed by the San Francisco Department of Public Works.



So [@open_the_books](#) mapped out every report of human feces on the streets of San Francisco since 2011

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More than 70 percent of all of the [cases noted](#) in the report occurred in 10 neighborhoods. Tenderloin registered the most cases, with 30,863 public feces incidents occurring in the historic San Francisco area. South of Market (23,599), Mission (19,150), Civic Center (6,232) and Mission Dolores (4,096) round out the top five neighborhoods with the highest number of cases reported, according to the report.

San Francisco spent more than \$40 per resident to clean up its streets for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. The cost for the 2017-2018 fiscal year jumped to nearly

\$54 million from \$35 million in the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the San Francisco Chronicle [reported](#) in 2018. 2019 is expected to hit nearly \$60 million.



Demonstrators gather near Super Bowl City to protest San Francisco's response to homelessness on Feb. 3, 2016. REUTERS/Curtis Skinner

The poop reports have become a matter of national discussion recently as local California politicians admit the city has a problem. "There is more feces on the sidewalks than I've ever seen growing up here," San Francisco Mayor London Breed [told a reporter](#) in 2018. "That is a huge problem and we are not just talking about from dogs — we're talking about from humans."

Breed, a Democrat, commissioned an operation called the "poop patrol" in 2018 to remove the masses of homeless excrement.

The operation will serve as a compliment to the city's Pit Stop public toilet program. The city allotted [\\$1.05 million](#) in its most recent budget to construct five additional public toilets, bringing the total Pit Stops in the city to 22. But many of the public toilets are only in operation until the late afternoon, leaving the homeless with few decent options overnight.

San Francisco, a city with a population of 864,816 between 2016-2017, spent four times as much on cleaning than Chicago, which had a population of over 2 million people, according to a [policy analysis report](#) commissioned by San Francisco.