

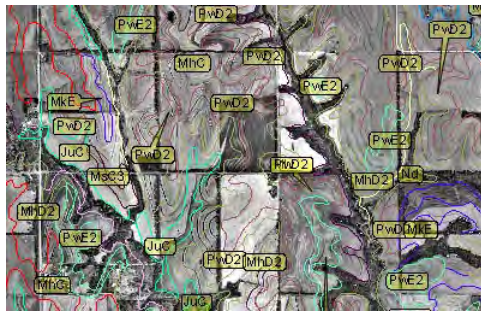
# Adding Frames to Labels

**DID YOU KNOW . . .** you can include frames for use with labels and leader lines for automatic (on-the-fly) labels?

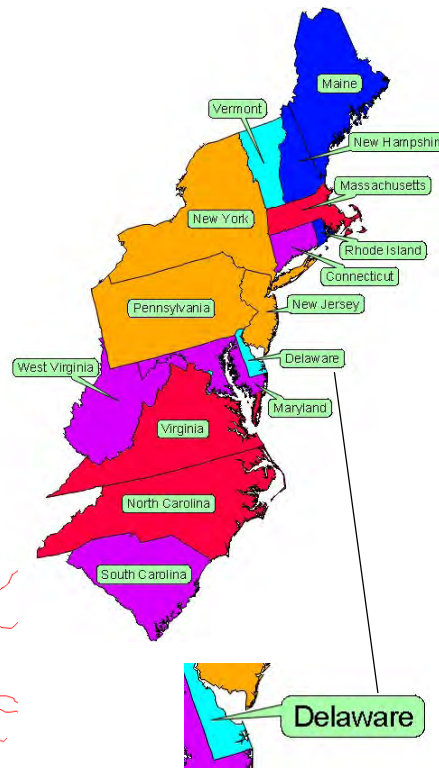
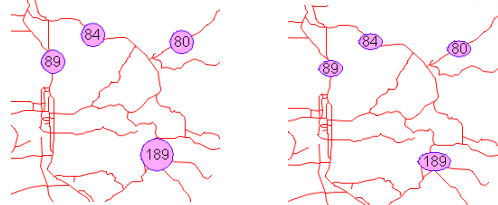
## What Frames for Automatic Labels and Leader Lines Give You

- Quick, distinctive labeling for graphical vector element types
- Label with frames in any process using a View window
- Optional linear or triangular leader lines when label placed outside polygon
- Variety in frame appearance (rectangle, rounded rectangle, circle, or ellipse) in solid or partially transparent colors

Partially transparent frame fills can be particularly attractive over imagery.



Rectangular or rounded rectangular frames are best when your text string exceeds a few characters. Circles and ellipses work well for labels like highway numbers (below). Note the “balloon” nature of the frames when triangular leader lines are used (far right).



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## How to Use Frames for Automatic Labels

- Select the tabbed panel for the element to label in the Vector Layer Controls and set the Label option button to By Attribute or By Script.
- Choose the labeling attribute or enter the script.
- Click on the Frame Style button and set the frame and leader line styles.
- Redraw.

**WANT TO KNOW MORE?**

See the color plate with the V6.9 materials entitled:

**Label Frames and Leader Lines**

