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Metadata for Data Citation and Discovery

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  Metadata

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Data citations provide . . .

- Visibility for data
- Protection from plagiarism
- Possibility for verification of results
- Data on which to base future research
- Possibility for reward models
- Access


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- Maximum return on funder investment
- Reduced duplication of effort
- Reduced costs of data collection
- Broader scope of possible research
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**Temporal coverage:** These data span the period from Thursday 25 September 2003 to Thursday 26 February 2004 inclusive.

**Resource locator:**

- **Further Information** - Preprint of peer-reviewed paper describing the results. Contains details of all analytical methods used.
- **Map View Service** - This resource has a related map view service
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1. DataCite uses Creator, Publisher, Contributor
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3. DataCite also has Dataset Version (4), Dataset Language (7), Size (7)
Attributing datasets to many contributors

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Dynamic datasets

Two types:

- Revised datasets
- Expanding datasets
Dynamic datasets

Three strategies:

1. Differentiate versions by access date rather than ID
   - A

2. Take time slices
   - A
   - B
   - C

3. Take snapshots
   - A
   - B
   - C

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Recommendations: metadata for citation

- **Author**
  - Record roles, identifiers and contact details as well as names.

- **Publication date**

- **Title**
  - It helps to avoid confusion if this is different from the article title.

- **Location/Identifier**
  - Express identifiers in location (http) form if possible.
  - Use DOIs for ‘published’ data and Handles, ARKs, PURLs, etc.
    for other data.
  - Use different DOIs for different versions.
  - Location given should be a catalogue record/landing page for the
data.
  - Giving the **Publisher** or **Host Archive** as well provides some
    recourse if the link breaks.
Recommendations: metadata for discovery

In addition to the citation metadata, these should also be recorded where they apply:

- Contributors
- Abstract/Summary/Description
- Subject/Keywords
- Rights/Restrictions
- Spatial Coverage
- Temporal Coverage
- Derived Publications
- Related Datasets

- Resource Type
- File Format(s)
- Important Dates
  - Creation, Submission, Acceptance, Use By...
- Language*
- Version*
- Size*
- Metadata Record Date

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