

Curating Big Data on Population and Settlements to Monitor the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

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SDGs and Data on Population Distribution and Settlement Patterns



- Used to assess progress on the SDGs that focus on people
 - People are one of the five SDG Pillars
 - Critical to efforts to monitor SDG progress in disaggregated way as called for in 2030 Agenda
 - Supports the allocation of resources to help those most in need
 - Helps identify vulnerable and underserved groups that might otherwise be left behind
- Population data are needed for many SDG indicators
 - Indicator development (SDGs 1-5)
 - Establish baselines and measure progress (many SDGs)
 - Determine per capita rates (SDG 11, Sustainable Cities)
 - Identify urban versus rural areas (SDG 11, Sustainable Cities)

 - Assess risks of hazards to human settlements (SDGs 11, Sustainable Cities, and 13, Climate Action)
- Used alone or integrated with other types data
 - Earth observations (remote sensing data)
 - In situ data (e.g. citizen science and crowdsourced data)















UN-GGIM Global Fundamental Geospatial Data Themes



United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM)

• Adopted minimum list of 14 *global fundamental geospatial data themes* to facilitate measurement, monitoring, and management of sustainable development

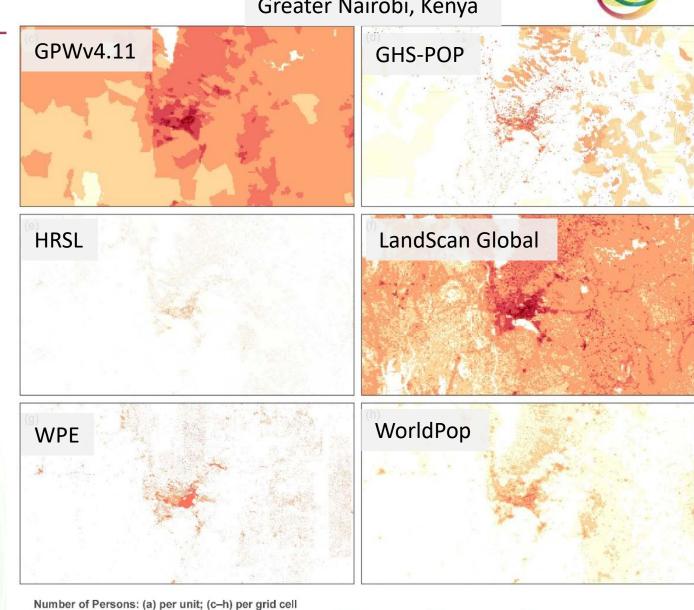


Many Different Gridded Population Data Sets Are Now Available



Greater Nairobi, Kenya

- 1. Gridded Population of the World (GPWv4.11)
- 2. Global Rural Urban Mapping Project (GRUMPv1)
- 3. LandScan Global Population Database (LandScan Global)
- 4. WorldPop
- 5. Global Human Settlement Layer Population (GHS-POP)
- 6. World Population Estimate (WPE)
- 7. History Database of the Global Environment (HYDE) Population Grids v3.2
- 8. High Resolution Settlement Layer (HRSL)
- 9. European GHS Population Grid (GHS-POP-**EUROSTAT)**
- 10. Gridded Population Mapping (Demobase)



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POPGRID Data Collaborative and Web Site





Data Providers

At the core of the POPGRID Data Collaborative is a group of gridded population and settlement data product developers. By clicking on the logos of each of the groups below you will find links to their institutional home pages and lists of the data products they develop. In some cases there are also links to publications describing data and methodologies behind the products.

















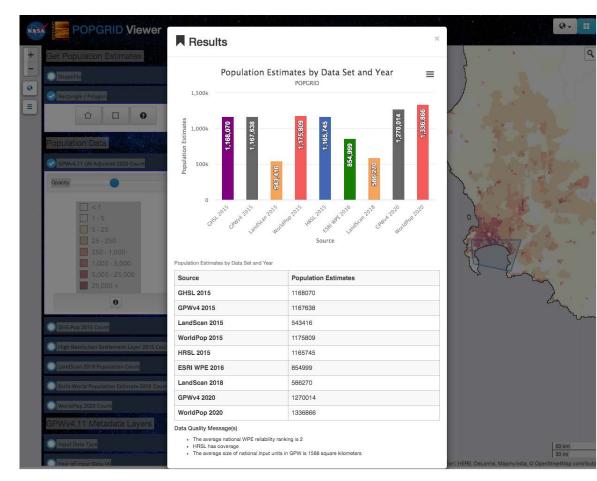




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Need for Lifecycle Management and Curation of Open Data



- Using longitudinal data to monitor, observe trends, and make decisions
 - Need access to past, present, and future population and settlement data
 - Open data curated for interoperability facilitates integration with other data
 - Continuing access to preserved data through a persistently resolvable global identifier

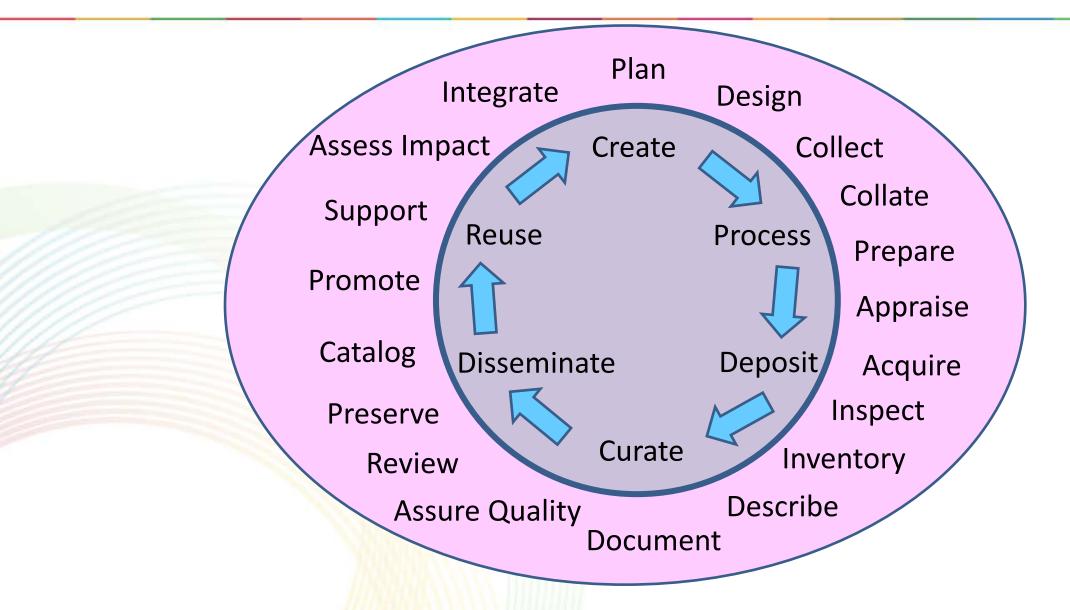


- Data must be discoverable across different disciplines, sectors, and countries
- Documentation must foster understanding across various levels of expertise
- Need to support today's users and future users
- Help data producers to enable use of data beyond their own discipline



Data Lifecycle Management





Enabling Data Reuse Across Disciplines, Sectors and Countries



- Cross-disciplinary and Cross-sector representation on data product teams
 - Data collection
 - Data product development
 - Curation
 - Review



- Scientists
- Planners and decision makers
- Instructors and students
- Journalists

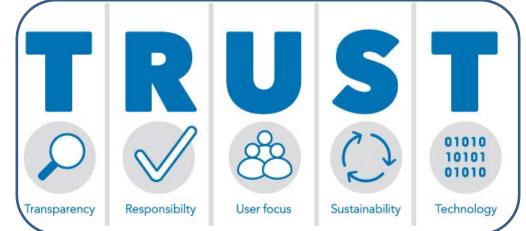


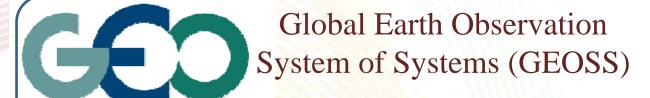
Complementary Principles to Support Long-Term Transdisciplinary Use of Population and Settlement Data











Data Sharing Principles

Data Management Principles

Group on Earth Observations

FAIR Principles for Scientific Data Management



Findable



 Easily discoverable with a global persistent identifier, described in metadata that includes the identifier, and indexed in a searchable catalog

Accessible



Metadata are persistently accessible and retrievable from the identifier via a standard protocol

Interoperable



Metadata is understandable by user community, references other metadata, and is based on vocabularies

Reusable

 Metadata contain a clear license and provenance information and utilize standards of the user community

CARE Principles for Indigenous Data Governance





Collective Benefit

 Inclusive indigenous community data development, governance, engagement, reuse, and outcomes

Authority to Control

Indigenous community decision-making on data rights, access, governance, and stewardship

Responsibility

 Indigenous community capacity development, data capabilities, and use within language and culture

Ethics

Indigenous community participation and assessment of risks, benefits, and future uses

TRUST Principles for Digital Repositories



Transparency



- Terms of use for repository and holdings, expedient digital preservation; responsible stewardship
- Responsibility



- Meeting community standards, delivering data services, managing rights, sensitive data, and security
- User focus



- Displaying data metrics, populating catalogs for discovery, and meeting evolving community needs
- Sustainability



- Plan for continuity, risk and disaster management, and funding to provide long-term access to data
- Technology
 - Implement data curation capabilities and plan for threat prevention, detection, and response



Based on: Lin, et al. The TRUST Principles for digital repositories. 2020. https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-020-0486-7 Endorsed by many organizations: https://www.rd-alliance.org/rda-community-effort-trust-principles-digital-repositories

GEOSS Data Sharing Principles



GEOSS Data Sharing Principle 1.

Data, metadata and products will be shared as Open Data by default, by making them available appart of the GEOSS Data Collection of Open Resources for Everyone (Data-CORE) without charge or restrictions on reuse, subject to the conditions of registration and attribution when the data are reused;

GEOSS Data Sharing Principle 2.

Where international instruments, national policies or legislation preclude the sharing of data as Open Data, data should be made available with minimal restrictions on use and at no more than the cost of reproduction and distribution;

GEOSS Data Sharing Principle 3.

All shared data, products and metadata will be made available with minimum time delay.



GEOSS Data Management Principles



Discoverability



DMP-1: Metadata for Discovery

Accessibility



DMP-2: Online Access

Usability



DMP-3: Data Encoding



DMP-4: Data Documentation

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DMP-5: Data Traceability



DMP-6: Data Quality-Control

Preservation



DMP-7: Data Preservation



DMP-8: Data and Metadata Verification



Curation





DMP-10: Persistent and Resolvable Identifiers

Curation Issues for the Population and Settlement Data Community



- What data management and access standards should apply?
 - Scientific, development community, government, and/or international organizations?
- How to balance competing or conflicting principles and needs?
 - Open access, indigenous rights, privacy/confidentiality, national security, endangered species, people vulnerable to conflict or oppression, etc.
- Who is responsible for curation?
 - Data producers/collectives? National or institutional archives? International organizations and funders?
 - What involvement should users and other stakeholders have, e.g., indigenous peoples?
- How can accessibility and usability be improved for SDG applications?
 - Documentation, training, tool development, open services, validation/intercomparison, ??
 - Partnerships with key stakeholders and networks?



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