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# Data and Maps in Reference and Reflections on working in Public and Technical Services

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MERCATOR



YOU'RE NOT REALLY INTO MAPS.

ROBINSON



YOU HAVE A COMFORTABLE PAIR OF RUNNING SHOES THAT YOU WEAR EVERYWHERE. YOU LIKE COFFEE AND ENJOY THE BEATLES, YOU THINK THE ROBINSON IS THE BEST-LOOKING PROJECTION, HANDS DOWN.

WINKEL-TRIPEL



NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ADOPTED THE WINKEL-TRIPEL IN 1998, BUT YOU'VE BEEN A W-T FAN SINCE LOWG BEFORE "NATGED"SHOWED UP. YOU'RE WORRIED IT'S GEITING PLAYED OUT, AND ARE THINKING OF SWITCHING TO THE KAVRAYSKIY. YOU ONCE LEPT A PARTY IN DISGUST WHEN A GUEST SHOWED UP WEARING SHOES WITH TOES. YOUR FAVORITE MUSICAL GENRE. IS "POST-".



YOU'RE NOT A COMPLICATED PERSON. YOU LOVE THE MERCATOR PROJECTION; YOU JUST WISH IT WEREN'T SQUARE. THE EARTH'S NOT A SQUARE, IT'S A CIRCLE. YOU LIKE CIRCLES. TEOPAY IS GONNA BE A GOOD DAY!



YOU LIKE ISAAC ASIMOV, XML, AND SHOES WITH TOES. YOU THINK THE SEGWAY GOT A BAD RAP. YOU OWN 3D GOGGLES, WHICH YOU USE TO VIEW ROTATING MODELS OF BETTER 3D GOGGLES. YOU TYPE IN DVORAK.



THEY SAY MAPPING THE EARTH ON A 2D SURFACE IS LIKE FLATTENING AN ORANGE PEEL, WHICH SEEMS EASY ENOUGH TO YOU. YOU LIKE EASY SOLUTIONS. YOU THINK WE WOULDN'T HAVE SO MANY PROBLEY'S IF WE'D JUST ELECT NORMAL PEOPLE TO CONGRESS INSTEAD OF POLITICIANS. YOU THINK AIRLINE'S SHOULD JUST BW ROOD FROM THE RESTAURANTS NEAR THE GATES AND SERVE THAT ON BOARD. YOU CHANGE YOUR CAR'S OIL, BUT SECRETLY WONDER IF YOU REALLY NEED TO. HOBO - DYER



YOU WANT TO AVOID CULTURAL IMPERIALISM, BUT YOU'VE HEARD BAD THINGS ABOUT GALL-PETERS. YOU'RE CONFLICT-AVERSE AND BUY ORGANIC. YOU USE A RECENTLY-INVENTED SET OF GENDER-NEUTRAL PRONOUNS AND THINK THAT WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS IS A REVOLUTION IN CONSCIOUSNESS.



YES, YOU'RE VERY CLEVER.

PEIRCE QUINCUNCIAL



YOU THINK THAT WHEN WE LOOK AT A MAP, WHAT WE REALLY SEE IS OURSELVES. AFTER YOU FIRST SAW INCEPTION, YOU SAT SILENT IN THE THEATER FOR SIX HOURS. IT FREAKS YOU OUT TO REALIZE THAT EVERYONE AROUND YOU HAS A SKELETON INSIDE THEM. YOU HAVE REALLY LOOKED AT YOUR HANDS.





YOU THINK THIS ONE IS FINE. YOU LIKE HOW X AND Y MAP TO LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE. THE OTHER PROTECTIONS OVERCOMPLICATE THINGS. YOU WANT ME TO STOP ASKING ABOUT MARS SO YOU CAN ENDOY DINNER.

WATERMAN BUTTERFLY



REALLY? YOU KNOW THE WATERMAN? HAVE YOU SEEN THE 1909 CAHILL MAP IT'S BASED - .... YOU HAVE A FRAMED REPRODUCTION AT HOME?! WHOA. ... LISTEN, FORGET THESE QUESTIONS. ARE YOU DOING ANYTHING TONIGHT?

GALL-PETERS



I HATE YOU.

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Data and Maps in Reference and Reflections on working in Public and Technical Services

# Cartaloging... Oh, the things I have LIRMed

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Data and Maps in Reference and Reflections on working in Public and Technical Services

### Agenda

- Discovering and using resources in the Map and Data Centre
- Thoughts and reflections on working in two locations
- Clearing the cataloging backlog
- Integrating new maps into the collection



# Data and Statistics LibGuide and Resources

### **Data or Statistics**

- Data: dynamic numbers that can be manipulated and analyzed
- Statistics: fixed numbers or facts



### **Data and Statistics LibGuide**

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#### Data Sources

#### **Canadian Data**

#### odesi

<odesi> collects social science data and polling data. <odesi> contains searchable survey questions and variables from thousands of datasets.

Full description of <odesi>

#### Statistics Canada Nesstar server

Statistics Canada provides access to many of the microdata files released through the Data Liberation Initiative through their Nesstar server (the same software platform as <odesi>). Ultimately, all Statistics Canada microdata files should be available through this site. Currently, the site is password-protected: contact us for the login information and please include your UWO email address for us to reply to.

#### International Data

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research ICPSR contains a data archive of over 500,000 research files related to the social sciences. Full description of ICPSR

#### OECD iLibrary

The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development provides access to OECD databases. indicators, and statistical yearbooks.

Full description of the OECD iLibrary

Internet Crossroads in Social Science Data Provides annotated links to data-related social science resources.

#### **Open Data Repositories**

Registry of Research Data Repositories A global research data repository covering data from a wide variety of disciplines. Browsable by subject, content type, and country.

#### **Citing Microdata**

#### odesi>

This guide provides examples for citing both microdata and aggregate data accessed through

#### START HERE MICRODATA

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#### <odesi>

#### ABC News Post-Election Poll #1. November 2000

New on <odesi>

- · Federal Justice Statistics Program: Charges Filed Against Defendants in Criminal Cases in District Court -- Terminated, 2009
- ABC News/Washington Post Poll, March 1996
- Multiple Cause of Death Public Use Files, 2000-2002
- Eurobarometer 74.1: Poverty and Social Exclusion, Mobile Phone Use, Economic Crisis, and International Trade, August-September 2010 Research on Minorities,
- [1981]: Race and Crime in Atlanta and Washington, DC

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Summary/description: Odesi (Ontario Data Documentation, Extraction Service and Infrastructure) collects social science data and polling data. Odesi contains searchable survey questions and variables from thousands of datasets. It contains both microdata and aggregate data in a variety of formats.

Coverage and scope: Odesi's core data comes from Statistics Canada with other data from the Canadian Opinion Research Archive (CORA), Canadian Gallup, and Ispos Reid.

#### Subjects Covered:

Agriculture Business and finance Census of population Communications and information Consumer surveys Crime and justice Demographics and population Education Elections and politics Geography Government finances and economic indicators Health Labour and employment Natural resources and environment Public opinion polls Social surveys Trade Travel

Help and Tutorials: Searching for Data Downloading Data Other tutorials



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### **Data Sources**

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#### New Data 🔊

ABC News Post-Election Poll #1, November 2000 2016-03-02

Federal Justice Statistics Program: Charges Filed Against Defendants in Criminal Cases in District Court -- Terminated, 2009 2016-03-02

ABC News/Washington Post Poll, March 1996 2016-03-02

Multiple Cause of Death Public Use Files, 2000-2002 2016-04-02

Eurobarometer 74.1: Poverty and Social Exclusion, Mobile Phone Use, Economic Crisis, and International Trade, August-September 2010 2016-03-02

Research on Minorities, [1981]: Race and Crime in Atlanta and Washington, DC 2016-04-02

Michigan Student Study: Opinions, Expectations, and Experiences of Undergraduate Students, 1990-1994

- Social science and polling data
- Data from:
  - Statistics Canada
  - Canadian Opinion Research Archive
  - Canadian Gallup
  - Ipsos Reid

### **Statistical Sources**

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# **Cartographic Resources**

#### **Cartographic Resources**

- Sheet maps
- Topographic maps
- Historical maps
- Fire insurance plans
- Aerial photographs
- Atlases



### **Sheet Maps**

- Approximately 220,000 sheet maps
- Topographic, tourist, road, thematic, geological, soil maps and hydrographic charts
- Focus on maps of London, Ontario, and Canadian subjects
- Extensive international coverage







### **Topographic Maps**

- Describe prominent physical and cultural features in a place or region
  - Includes elevation, political boundaries, water features, etc.
- Searching for topographic maps
- Complete coverage available for Canada
- At least some coverage available for most countries



Area near Banff, Alberta

### **Topographic Maps - Digital**

#### Available for Canada and the United States



Picton, Ontario



#### **Gatlinburg Quadrangle**

### **Topographic Maps - Paper**

#### Searchable in the library catalog



### **Historical Maps**

#### Reproductions/facsimiles



**The Peutinger Map** 

#### Original historical maps



A particular map, to illustrate Gen. Amherst's expedition to Montreal with a plan of the town & draught of ye island

### Fire Insurance Plans





### **Fire Insurance Plans**

- Western Libraries holds plans from 1878 to 1973
- 1000 volumes for 500 locations
- Searching for fire insurance plans



Fire insurance plan shelves in the Map and Data Centre's shared room

### **Aerial Photographs**

1922



Western and Sarnia Road from the air

### **Aerial Photographs**

- 60,000 photographs dating from 1922 to 2001 for London and southern Ontario
- Searching for coverage
- Digital and physical air photos



#### Atlases

- Over 2000 atlases for in library reference
- World, regional, national, provincial, state and thematic atlases on a wide variety of subjects
- Searching for atlases Ukraine







# Reflections on Working in Two Locations

### Work in MDC affecting work in LIRM

Map and Data Centre @westernulibsMDC · Jan 28

- Understanding of what people want to know from the catalog record
- Better understanding of how to search the catalog and what information is available
- Understanding of how items make their way through LIRM
- Twitter series on how a map makes its way to the Map and Data Centre



Map and Data Centre @westernulibs/MDC · Feb 5 Step 4: the map is cataloged. The public display is on the right and the staff display is on the left.

### Work in MDC affecting work in LIRM

# Case study: topographic series procedures and policies No set policy on how all map series must be cataloged

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# Clearing the Cataloging Backlog

### **Clearing the Backlog**

- Over 200 maps sitting in LIRM
- Maps ordered and received as early as 2013
- Cleared the backlog in February of 2016!



# Integrating New Maps into the Collection

### Integrating new maps into the collection

- Integrating new maps into the collection is a two step process:
  - Decide where to locate the map
  - Weed older material



# **Questions?**

# Thank you!