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Referencing an R package #226



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Hi team,

I used an R package called fitzRoy that provides an API to various AFL data sources.

2 Questions:

- 1. Do I need to reference each original data source I used through that package/functions in R?
- 2. Do I need to reference that package I used? If so, is this acceptable?

Day, J., Nguyen, R., & Lane, O. (2021). *fitzRoy* [Data file]. Retrieved from https://jimmyday12.github.io/fitzRoy/

Cheers

1 Answer



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Hi Mitchell,

1. Do I need to reference each original data source I used through that package/functions in R?

If the data source is used to create the graph of the dashboard, then yes, you will need to include that data source with proper citations in the report.

2. Do I need to reference that package I used? If so, is this acceptable?

In most cases, we do not need to cite the packages that you used to create the visualisations in the report. Cause our report talks about the visualisation design, not the implementation.

You can add the R package information at the bottom of your dashboard (but this is not marked in the assessment).

If you really need to cite the R package, they can be categories as computer software, instead of data file. Check here for how to cite computer software:

https://blog.apastyle.org/apastyle/2015/01/how-to-cite-software-in-apa-style.html

Cheers,

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