

Parametrise a MS Word report

Instructions

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1 Exercise objective

- You are tasked with generating a Microsoft Word report on an outbreak. Open the Quarto document `exercise3.qmd` in RStudio.
- All text formatted in bold is a placeholder and should be replaced with appropriate automated calculations or cross-references.
- Complete each of the following tasks and render the document after each task or set of tasks to track your progress.

2 Parametrise your report

Tip

- See [Quarto documentation about parameters](#)
- See [Quarto documentation about rendering outputs using different parameters](#)

- ☐ Adjust the report to focus on data for the year 2022 only ;

- ☐ You were unfortunately provided with a previous erroneous version of the dataset. Update the report to use the dataset stored in `df2.RData` instead of the one stored in `df1.RData` ;
- ☐ Render 3 reports (1 report with `df2.RData` for the full outbreak period, 1 report with `df1.RData` for year 2021 only, 1 report with `df2.RData` for year 2021 only) adapting the following command which needs to be run in a terminal (ensure your working directory is the one where your Quarto document is stored and all file paths are correct).

```
quarto render exercise3.qmd --out report_data1.docx -P dataset:df1.RData
```

! Discussion question

Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of using R within Quarto compared to using R scripts.

3 Finalise your MS Word report

💡 Tip

See [Quarto documentation about Word templates](#)

- ☐ Apply the Swiss TPH template `swisstph_template.docx` to your MS Word rendered report ;
- ☐ Create your own template and apply it to your MS Word rendered report.