**Read About Assembled Data**

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**Introduction**

This folder contains two data files:

1. The SAS code written by Meng Lu that merges all 105 individual data sets. The SAS codes was written for the National Greenhouse Gas Inventory of US Coastal Wetlands. The purpose of the program is to assemble literature data on coastal wetland carbon stocks into a single dataset that can be analyzed by code. This is step 1 of the process. Here, the program read the data from many individual flat files, merges the data, and writes it out as CSV file. Each individual file represents the data from one publication. One of the flat files is a large EPA dataset that is read separately before merging.

2. The combined big master data sheet that includes all 105 individual data sets (all the data share the same variable names). This is the file that was used for subsequent summary analysis.