

Comparing health facility location data available for Saint Louis, Senegal

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This is a data-driven document [open-source code here](#)

Initial comparison of data provided by COUS [Centre des Opérations d'Urgence Sanitaire](#) & DPRS [Direction de la Planification, de la Recherche et des Statistiques](#) for Saint Louis with OSM Senegal survey conducted in February 2022.

Summary The aim is to see if we can develop re-useable code to help with the process of improving health facility location data by comparing and combining data from different sources.

Prior to an in person workshop COUS and DPRS provided data.

COUS provided data for 9 facilities in Saint Louis in a table with **9 rows** and **130 columns** including coordinates and attributes such as the numbers of beds and staff.

DPRS provided the names of facilities and regions for Saint Louis in a file with **374 rows and 1 column**. Due to the format of the data, it is not straightforward automatically to compare these with the COUS data.

OSM Senegal surveyed facilities in person in Saint Louis, providing a file with **394 rows** and recording attribute data in **289 columns**.

source	num facilities	columns of info	coords?
1. COUS	9	130	coords
3. DPRS	<374	1	no
2. OSM-Senegal survey	394	289	coords

Agreement on a strict naming convention for facilities would make it much easier to compare and combine these data.

COUS data

COUS provided an Excel file with two sheets.

COUS Sheet2 for Saint Louis has nine facilities **9 rows** and **130 columns** including coordinates and attributes such as the numbers of beds and staff.

Names of facilities.

cous_names

EPS1 de Richard Toll
Centre de Sante de Dagana

cous_names
Centre de Sante de Saint Louis
Centre de Sante Amadou Malick Gaye
Centre de Sante de Pete
Centre de santé de Richard Toll
HOPITAL REGIONAL DE SAINT LOUIS
CHR NDioum
Centre de santé de Ross Bethio

DPRS data

DPRS provided the names of facilities and regions for the whole country in a file with **374 rows and 1 column**.

Looking at the first 9 rows of the DPRS data.

dprs_names
[-] RM Saint-Louis
[-] Dagana
CS Dagana
DPC de Dagana
PM MAC Dagana
PS 4e Et 5e Secteur
[-] PS Bokhol
Case de Geum Yalla
PS Bouteyni

We can see that sometimes rows indicate regions, e.g. [-] **RM Saint-Louis** and [-] **Dagana**. Also sometimes a row with a [-] indicates a facility that has control over others e.g. [-] **PS Bokhol**. This makes it difficult to analyse the data automatically because it is difficult to detect whether a row refers to a facility or not. It may be that if a row has a [-] and does not have PS, CS or Case then it is not a facility.

We can compare the COUS & DPRS tables above to check whether the facility names in the COUS data appear exactly the same as in the DPRS data. We would need to be able to write code to find matching names to be able to write a reproducible pipeline for comparing data.

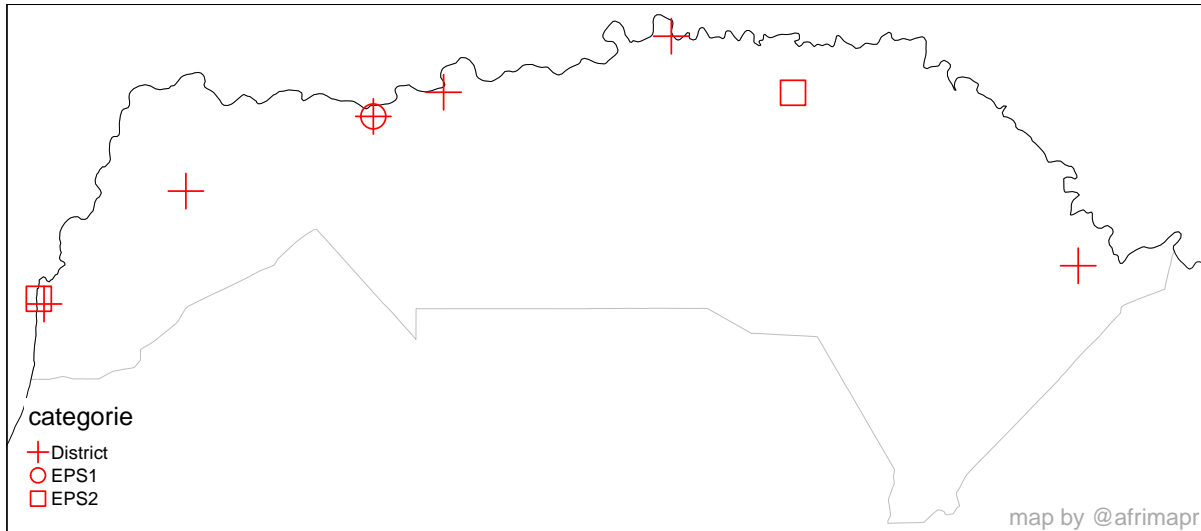
An initial search by eye shows the mismatches between naming in the two datasets. There is at least one facility in the COUS data that seems not present in the DPRS list (Centre de Sante Amadou Malick Gaye).

cous_names	dprs_names
EPS1 de Richard Toll	EPS 1 Richard Toll
Centre de Sante de Dagana	CS Dagana
Centre de Sante de Saint Louis	CS Saint - Louis
Centre de Sante Amadou Malick Gaye	?
Centre de Sante de Pete	[-] CS Pete
Centre de santé de Richard Toll	CS Richard Toll
HOPITAL REGIONAL DE SAINT LOUIS	EPS2 de Saint Louis
CHR NDioum	?Antenne de Ndioum
Centre de santé de Ross Bethio	[-] CS Ross Bethio

Categories of COUS health facilities Saint Louis

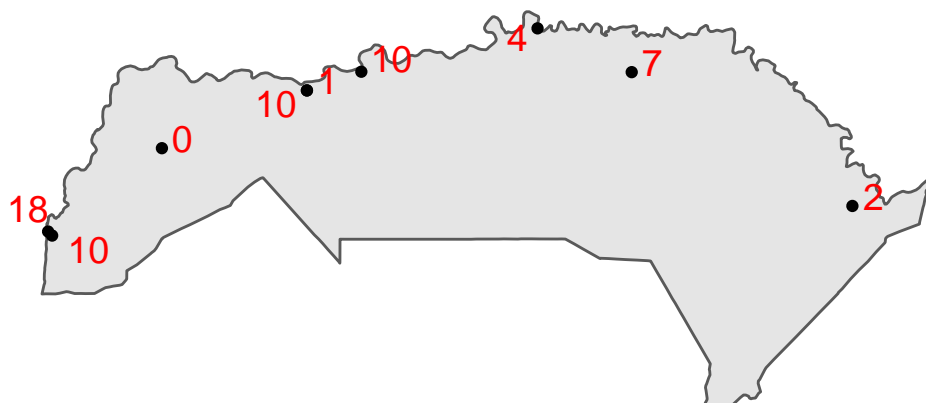
The coordinates provided in the COUS data allow these to be plotted on maps. (Note that one coordinate was missing a negative sign that incorrectly placed it in Chad, it was corrected for the maps here).

COUS health facilities Saint Louis 2022

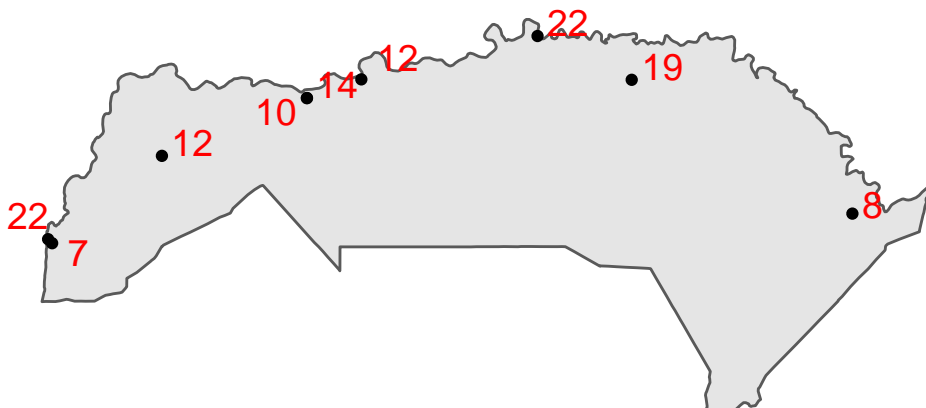


Numbers of beds (lits) in different wards from COUS data

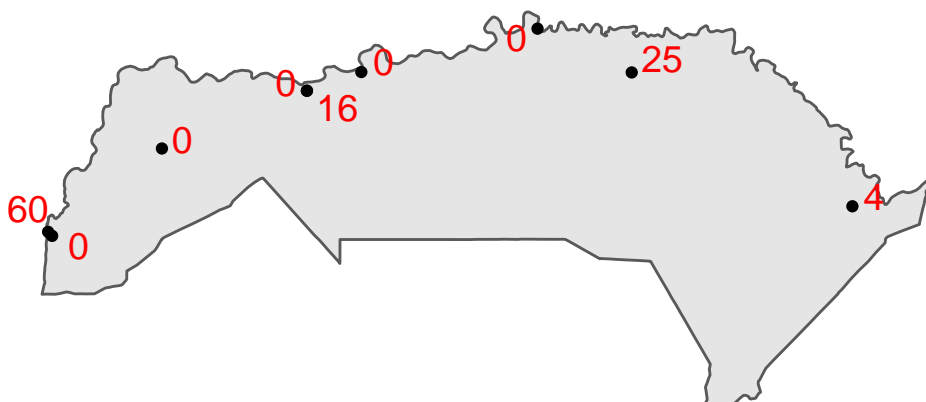
COUS lits_en_sau



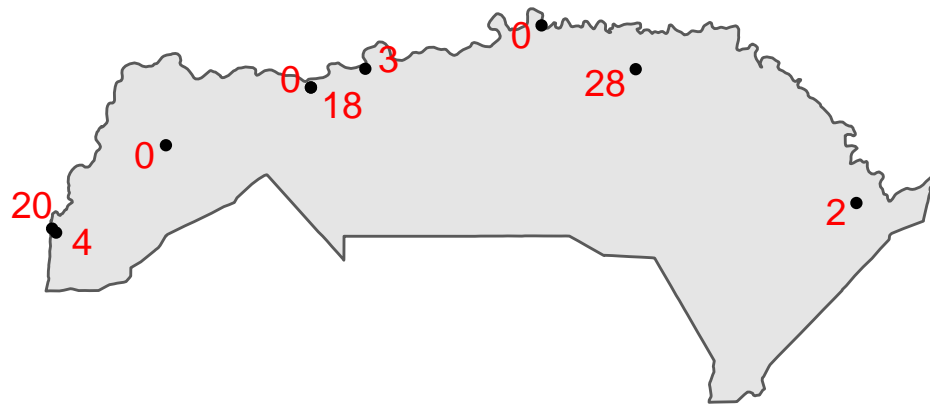
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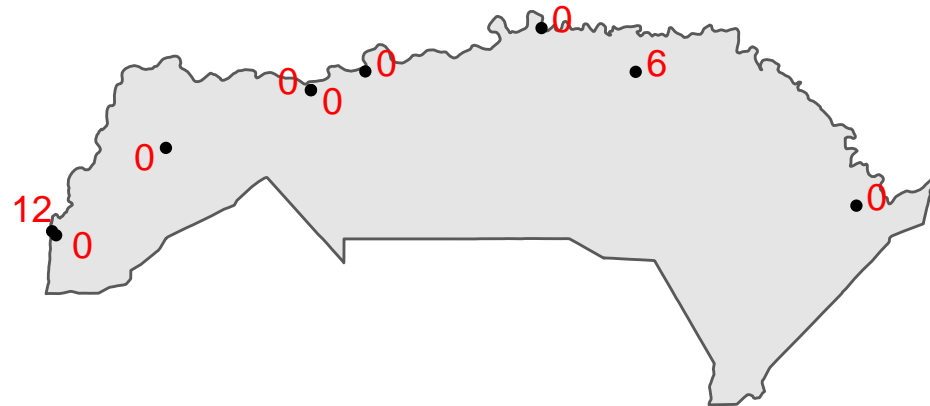
COUS lits_en_chirurgie



COUS lits_en_pediatrie



COUS lits_en_reanimation

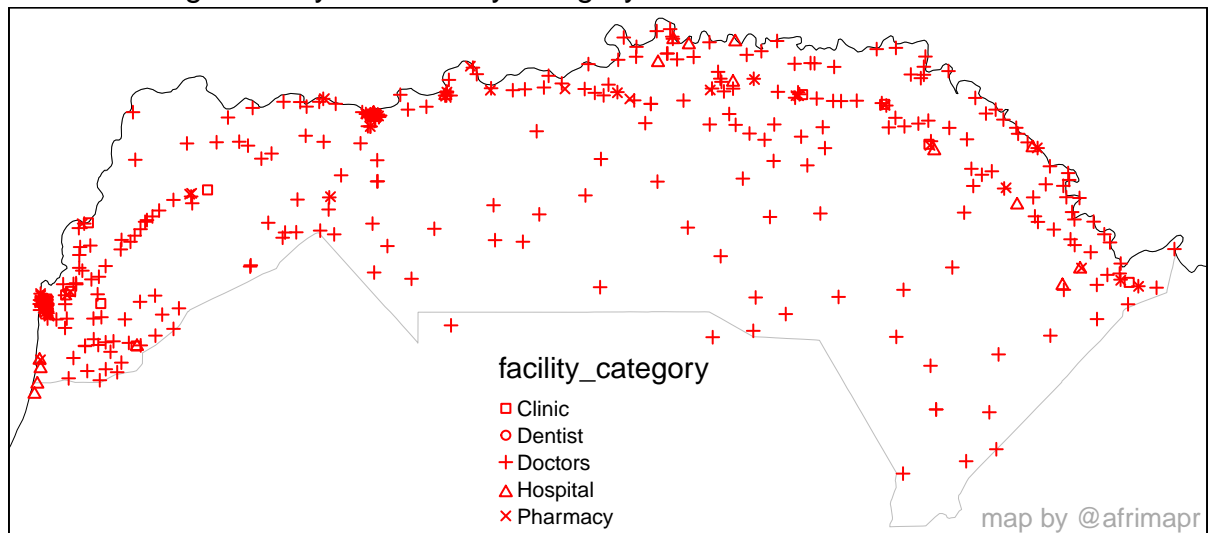


OSM-Senegal survey

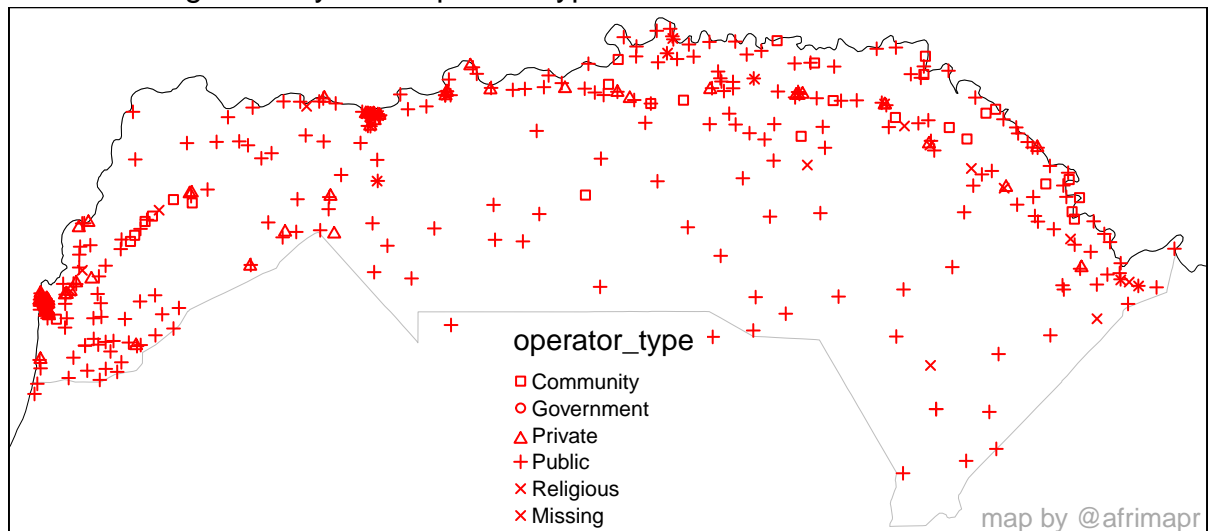
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Categories of facilities in OSM-Senegal survey

OSM-Senegal survey 2022 facility category

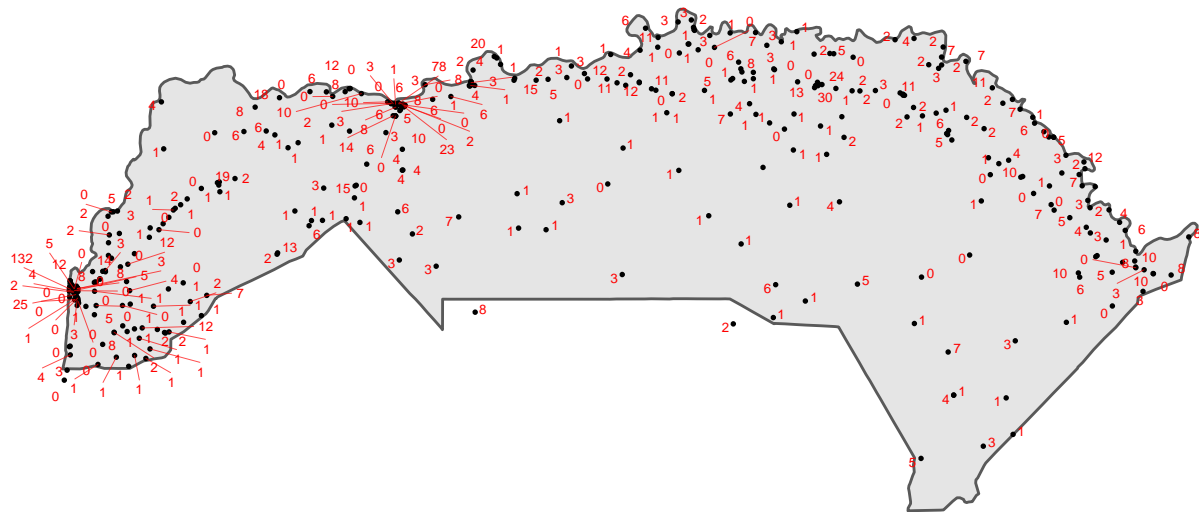


OSM-Senegal survey 2022 operator type

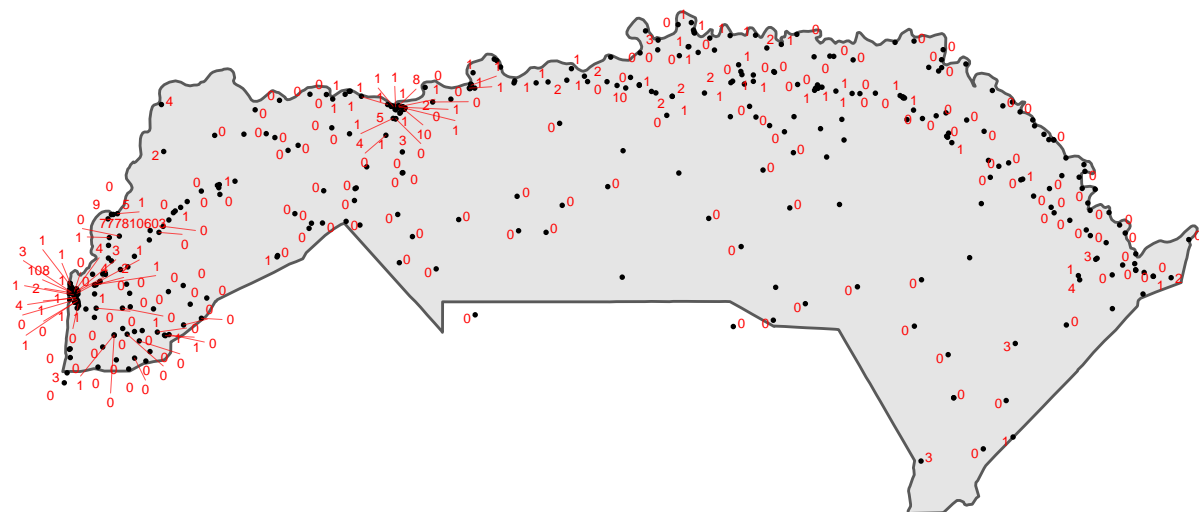


Numbers of beds, doctors and nurses from OSM-Senegal survey

OSM number_of_beds



OSM number_of_doctors



OSM number_of_nurses

