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## **Description**

Add a column to the dataRetrieval data frame with the water year. WQP queries will return a water year column for the start and end dates of the data.

## Usage

```
addWaterYear(rawData)
```

## **Arguments**

rawData

the daily- or unit-values datset retrieved from NWISweb. Must have at least one of the following columns to add the new water year columns: 'dateTime', 'Date', 'ActivityStartDate', or 'ActivityEndDate'. The date column(s) can be character, POSIXct, Date. They cannot be numeric.

## Value

data.frame with an additional integer column with "WY" appended to the date column name. For WQP, there will be 2 columns: 'ActivityStartDateWY' and 'ActivityEndDateWY'.

```
nwisData <- readNWISdv('04085427','00060','2012-01-01','2012-06-30')
nwisData <- addWaterYear(nwisData)
wqpData <- readWQPqw('USGS-01594440','01075', '', '')
wqpData <- addWaterYear(wqpData)</pre>
```

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calcWaterYear

Extract WY from a date

## **Description**

Determine the correct water year based on a calendar date.

## Usage

```
calcWaterYear(dateVec)
```

## **Arguments**

dateVec

vector of dates as character ("YYYY-DD-MM"), Date, or POSIXct. Numeric does not work.

# Details

This function calculates a water year based on the USGS definition that a water year starts on October 1 of the year before, and ends on September 30. For example, water year 2015 started on 2014-10-01 and ended on 2015-09-30. See the USGS definition at https://water.usgs.gov/nwc/explain\_data.html.

#### Value

numeric vector indicating the water year

# **Examples**

```
x \leftarrow seq(as.Date("2010-01-01"), as.Date("2010-12-31"), by="month") waterYear <- calcWaterYear(x)
```

constructNWISURL

Construct NWIS url for data retrieval

#### **Description**

```
Imports data from NWIS web service. This function gets the data from here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/qwdata A list of parameter codes can be found here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/pmcodes/ A list of statistic codes can be found here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/help/?read_file=stat&format=table
```

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#### Usage

```
constructNWISURL(siteNumbers, parameterCd = "00060", startDate = "",
  endDate = "", service, statCd = "00003", format = "xml",
  expanded = TRUE, ratingType = "base", statReportType = "daily",
  statType = "mean")
```

#### Arguments

siteNumbers string or vector of strings USGS site number. This is usually an 8 digit number string or vector of USGS parameter code. This is usually an 5 digit number. character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is

"" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.

endDate character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is

"" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.

service string USGS service to call. Possible values are "dv" (daily values), "uv" (unit/instantaneous

values), "qw" (water quality data), "gwlevels" (groundwater), and "rating" (rating curve), "peak", "meas" (discrete streamflow measurements), "stat" (statistics

web service BETA).

statCd string or vector USGS statistic code only used for daily value service. This is

usually 5 digits. Daily mean (00003) is the default.

format string, can be "tsv" or "xml", and is only applicable for daily and unit value

requests. "tsv" returns results faster, but there is a possiblity that an incomplete file is returned without warning. XML is slower, but will offer a warning if the file was incomplete (for example, if there was a momentary problem with the internet connection). It is possible to safely use the "tsv" option, but the user must carefully check the results to see if the data returns matches what is

expected. The default is therefore "xml".

expanded logical defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, retrieves additional information, only applica-

ble for qw data.

ratingType can be "base", "corr", or "exsa". Only applies to rating curve data.

statReportType character Only used for statistics service requests. Time division for statistics:

daily, monthly, or annual. Default is daily. Note that daily provides statistics for each calendar day over the specified range of water years, i.e. no more than 366 data points will be returned for each site/parameter. Use readNWISdata or readNWISdv for daily averages. Also note that 'annual' returns statistics for the calendar year. Use readNWISdata for water years. Monthly and yearly provide

statistics for each month and year within the range individually.

statType character Only used for statistics service requests. Type(s) of statistics to out-

put for daily values. Default is mean, which is the only option for monthly and yearly report types. See the statistics service documentation at https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/Statistics-Service.html for a full list

of codes.

#### Value

url string

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#### **Examples**

```
site_id <- '01594440'
startDate <- '1985-01-01'
endDate <- ''
pCode <- c("00060","00010")
url_daily <- constructNWISURL(site_id,pCode,</pre>
           startDate,endDate,'dv',statCd=c("00003","00001"))
url_unit <- constructNWISURL(site_id,pCode,"2012-06-28","2012-06-30",'iv')</pre>
url_qw_single <- constructNWISURL(site_id,"01075",startDate,endDate,'qw')</pre>
url_qw <- constructNWISURL(site_id,c('01075','00029','00453'),</pre>
           startDate, endDate, 'qw')
url_daily_tsv <- constructNWISURL(site_id,pCode,startDate,endDate,'dv',</pre>
           statCd=c("00003","00001"),format="tsv")
url_rating <- constructNWISURL(site_id,service="rating",ratingType="base")</pre>
url_peak <- constructNWISURL(site_id, service="peak")</pre>
url_meas <- constructNWISURL(site_id, service="meas")</pre>
urlQW <- constructNWISURL("450456092225801","70300",startDate="",endDate="","qw",expanded=TRUE)
```

constructUseURL

Construct URL for NWIS water use data service

## **Description**

Reconstructs URLs to retrieve data from here: https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/wu

## Usage

```
constructUseURL(years, stateCd, countyCd, categories)
```

# Arguments

years	integer Years for data retrieval. Must be years ending in 0 or 5, or "ALL", which retrieves all available years.
stateCd	could be character (full name, abbreviation, id), or numeric (id)
countyCd	could be numeric (County IDs from countyCdLookup) or character ("ALL")
categories	character Two-letter cateogory abbreviation(s)

# Value

url string

```
url <- constructUseURL(years=c(1990,1995),stateCd="Ohio",countyCd = c(1,3), categories = "ALL")</pre>
```

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constructWQPURL

Construct WQP url for data retrieval

## **Description**

Construct WQP url for data retrieval. This function gets the data from here: https://www.waterqualitydata.us

#### Usage

```
constructWQPURL(siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate, endDate, zip = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

string or vector of strings USGS site number. This is usually an 8 digit number string or vector of USGS parameter code. This is usually an 5 digit number. startDate character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.

endDate character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.

zip logical to request data via downloading zip file. Default set to TRUE.

## Value

url string

```
site_id <- '01594440'
startDate <- '1985-01-01'
endDate <- ''
pCode <- c("00060","00010")
url_wqp <- constructWQPURL(paste("USGS",site_id,sep="-"),</pre>
           c('01075','00029','00453'),
           startDate, endDate)
url_wqp
charNames <- c("Temperature",
                "Temperature, sample",
                "Temperature, water",
                "Temperature, water, deg F")
obs_url_orig <- constructWQPURL(siteNumbers = c("IIDFG-41WSSPAHS",</pre>
                                                   "USGS-02352560"),
                                  parameterCd = charNames,
                                  startDate,"")
obs_url_orig
```

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countyCd	US County Code Lookup Table	

# Description

Data pulled from http://www2.census.gov/geo/docs/reference/codes/files/national\_county.txt on April 1, 2015.

#### Value

countyCd data frame.

Name	Type	Description
STUSAB	character	State abbreviation
STATE	character	two-digit ANSI code
COUNTY	character	three-digit county code
COUNTY_NAME	character	County full name
COUNTY_ID	character	County id

# **Examples**

head(countyCd)

up County code look up

# Description

Function to simplify finding county and county code definitions. Used in readNWISdata and readNWISuse.

# Usage

```
countyCdLookup(state, county, outputType = "id")
```

# Arguments

state	could be character (full name, abbreviation, id), or numeric (id)
county	could be character (name, with or without "County") or numeric (id)
outputType	character can be "fullName", "tableIndex", "id", or "fullEntry".

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## **Examples**

```
id <- countyCdLookup(state = "WI", county = "Dane")
name <- countyCdLookup(state = "OH", county = 13, output = "fullName")
index <- countyCdLookup(state = "Pennsylvania", county = "ALLEGHENY COUNTY", output = "tableIndex")
fromIDs <- countyCdLookup(state = 13, county = 5, output = "fullName")
already_correct <- countyCdLookup(county = "51001")</pre>
```

dataRetrieval

Retrieval functions for USGS and EPA data

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getQuerySummary

getting header information from a WQP query

## **Description**

getting header information from a WQP query

### Usage

```
getQuerySummary(url)
```

# Arguments

url

the query url

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getWebServiceData

Function to return data from web services

## **Description**

This function accepts a url parameter, and returns the raw data. The function enhances GET with more informative error messages.

## Usage

```
getWebServiceData(obs_url, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

obs\_url character containing the url for the retrieval ... information to pass to header request

#### Value

raw data from web services

## **Examples**

```
siteNumber <- "02177000"
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"
offering <- '00003'
property <- '00060'
obs_url <- constructNWISURL(siteNumber,property,startDate,endDate,'dv')
rawData <- getWebServiceData(obs_url)</pre>
```

importNGWMN

Function to return data from the National Ground Water Monitoring Network waterML2 format

# Description

This function accepts a url parameter for a WaterML2 getObservation. This function is still under development, but the general functionality is correct.

#### Usage

```
importNGWMN(input, asDateTime = FALSE, tz = "UTC")
```

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#### **Arguments**

input character or raw, containing the url for the retrieval or a path to the data file, or

raw XML.

asDateTime logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, character

tz character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts

the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided time zone offset. Possible values to provide are "America/New\_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-

ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix",

and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on

time zones.

#### Value

mergedDF a data frame source, time, value, uom, uomTitle, comment, gmlID

#### **Examples**

```
obs_url <- paste("http://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn_cache/sos?request=GetObservation",
"service=SOS","version=2.0.0",
"observedProperty=urn:ogc:def:property:OGC:GroundWaterLevel",
"responseFormat=text/xml",
"featureOfInterest=VW_GWDP_GEOSERVER.USGS.403836085374401",sep="&")
data <- importNGWMN(obs_url)</pre>
```

importRDB1

Function to return data from the NWIS RDB 1.0 format

#### **Description**

This function accepts a url parameter that already contains the desired NWIS site, parameter code, statistic, startdate and enddate. It is not recommended to use the RDB format for importing multisite data.

#### Usage

```
importRDB1(obs_url, asDateTime = TRUE, convertType = TRUE,
  tz = "UTC")
```

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#### **Arguments**

obs\_url character containing the url for the retrieval or a file path to the data file.

asDateTime logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, Date

convertType logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character

tz character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default converts the datetimes to UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's pro-

vided tz\_cd column). Recommended US values include "UTC", "America/New\_York", "America/Chicago "America/Denver", "America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jama and "America/Metlakatla". For a complete list, see <a href="https://en.wikipedia">https://en.wikipedia</a>.

org/wiki/List\_of\_tz\_database\_time\_zones

#### Value

tz\_cd\_reported

A data frame with the following columns:

Name Type Description The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data agency\_cd character The USGS site number site\_no character The date and time of the value converted to UTC (if asDateTime = TRUE datetime **POSIXct** character or raw character string (if asDateTime = FALSE) tz cd character The time zone code for datetime code Any codes that qualify the corresponding value character The numeric value for the parameter value numeric

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form XD\_P\_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable). If a date/time (dt) column contained incomplete date and times, a new column of dates and time was inserted. This could happen when older data was reported as dates, and newer data was reported as a date/time.

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

The originally reported time zone

Name Type Description
url character The url used to generate the data
queryTime POSIXct The time the data was returned
comment character Header comments from the RDB file

```
site_id <- "02177000"
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"
offering <- "00003"
```

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```
property <- "00060"
obs_url <- constructNWISURL(site_id,property,</pre>
         startDate,endDate,"dv",format="tsv")
data <- importRDB1(obs_url)</pre>
urlMultiPcodes <- constructNWISURL("04085427",c("00060","00010"),</pre>
         startDate, endDate, "dv", statCd=c("00003", "00001"), "tsv")
multiData <- importRDB1(urlMultiPcodes)</pre>
unitDataURL <- constructNWISURL(site_id,property,</pre>
         "2013-11-03", "2013-11-03", "uv", format="tsv") #includes timezone switch
unitData <- importRDB1(unitDataURL, asDateTime=TRUE)</pre>
qwURL <- constructNWISURL(c('04024430','04024000'),</pre>
          c('34247','30234','32104','34220'),
          "2010-11-03","","qw",format="rdb")
qwData <- importRDB1(qwURL, asDateTime=TRUE, tz="America/Chicago")</pre>
iceSite <- '04024000'
start <- "2015-11-09"
end <- "2015-11-24"
urlIce <- constructNWISURL(iceSite,"00060",start, end,"uv",format="tsv")</pre>
ice <- importRDB1(urlIce, asDateTime=TRUE)</pre>
iceNoConvert <- importRDB1(urlIce, convertType=FALSE)</pre>
# User file:
filePath <- system.file("extdata", package="dataRetrieval")</pre>
fileName <- "RDB1Example.txt"
fullPath <- file.path(filePath, fileName)</pre>
importUserRDB <- importRDB1(fullPath)</pre>
```

importWaterML1

Function to return data from the NWISWeb WaterML1.1 service

# Description

This function accepts a url parameter that already contains the desired NWIS site, parameter code, statistic, startdate and enddate.

## Usage

```
importWaterML1(obs_url, asDateTime = FALSE, tz = "UTC")
```

# Arguments

obs\_url character or raw, containing the url for the retrieval or a file path to the data file,

or raw XML.

asDateTime logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, Date

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tz character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default converts the datetimes to UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz\_cd column). Recommended US values include "UTC","America/New\_York","America/Chicago "America/Denver","America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage","America/Honolulu","America/Jama and "America/Metlakatla". For a complete list, see https://en.wikipedia.

org/wiki/List\_of\_tz\_database\_time\_zones

#### Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
	<b>POSIXct</b>	The date and time of the value converted to UTC (if asDateTime = TRUE),
	character	or raw character string (if asDateTime = FALSE)
tz_cd	character	The time zone code for
code	character	Any codes that qualify the corresponding value
value	numeric	The numeric value for the parameter

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form X\_D\_P\_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters
statisticInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

#### See Also

renameNWISColumns

```
site_id <- "02177000"
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"
offering <- '00003'
property <- '00060'
obs_url <- constructNWISURL(site_id,property,startDate,endDate,'dv')
data <- importWaterML1(obs_url, asDateTime=TRUE)</pre>
```

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```
groundWaterSite <- "431049071324301"
startGW <- "2013-10-01"
endGW <- "2014-06-30"
groundwaterExampleURL <- constructNWISURL(groundWaterSite, NA,</pre>
          startGW,endGW, service="gwlevels")
groundWater <- importWaterML1(groundwaterExampleURL)</pre>
groundWater2 <- importWaterML1(groundwaterExampleURL, asDateTime=TRUE)</pre>
unitDataURL <- constructNWISURL(site_id,property,</pre>
         "2013-11-03", "2013-11-03", 'uv')
unitData <- importWaterML1(unitDataURL,TRUE)</pre>
# Two sites, two pcodes, one site has two data descriptors:
siteNumber <- c('01480015',"04085427")
obs_url <- constructNWISURL(siteNumber,c("00060","00010"),startDate,endDate,'dv')
data <- importWaterML1(obs_url)</pre>
data$dateTime <- as.Date(data$dateTime)</pre>
data <- renameNWISColumns(data)</pre>
names(attributes(data))
attr(data, "url")
attr(data, "disclaimer")
inactiveSite <- "05212700"</pre>
inactiveSite <- constructNWISURL(inactiveSite, "00060", "2014-01-01", "2014-01-10", 'dv')
inactiveSite <- importWaterML1(inactiveSite)</pre>
inactiveAndAcitive <- c("07334200","05212700")</pre>
inactiveAndAcitive <- constructNWISURL(inactiveAndAcitive, "00060", "2014-01-01", "2014-01-10", 'dv')
inactiveAndAcitive <- importWaterML1(inactiveAndAcitive)</pre>
# Timezone change with specified local timezone:
tzURL <- constructNWISURL("04027000", c("00300","63680"), "2011-11-05", "2011-11-07","uv")
tzIssue <- importWaterML1(tzURL, TRUE, "America/Chicago")</pre>
url <- constructNWISURL(service = 'dv', siteNumber = '02319300', parameterCd = "00060",
                           startDate = "2014-01-01", endDate = "2014-01-01")
raw <- httr::content(httr::GET(url), as = 'raw')</pre>
rawParsed <- importWaterML1(raw)</pre>
filePath <- system.file("extdata", package="dataRetrieval")</pre>
fileName <- "WaterML1Example.xml"
fullPath <- file.path(filePath, fileName)</pre>
importFile <- importWaterML1(fullPath,TRUE)</pre>
```

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#### **Description**

Returns data frame columns of all information with each time series measurement; Anything defined as a default, is returned as an attribute of that data frame.

## Usage

```
importWaterML2(input, asDateTime = FALSE, tz = "UTC")
```

## **Arguments**

input XML with only the wml2:MeasurementTimeseries node and children

asDateTime logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, character

tz character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default is an empty quote, which

converts the datetimes to UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided time zone offset). Possible values are "America/New\_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los\_Angeles",

"America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix

and "America/Metlakatla"

#### **Examples**

```
baseURL <- "https://waterservices.usgs.gov/nwis/dv/?format=waterm1,2.0"
URL <- paste(baseURL, "sites=01646500",
        "startDT=2014-09-01",
        "endDT=2014-09-08",
        "statCd=00003",
        "parameterCd=00060",sep="&")

timesereies <- importWaterML2(URL, asDateTime=TRUE, tz="UTC")</pre>
```

importWQP

Basic Water Quality Portal Data parser

#### **Description**

Imports data from the Water Quality Portal based on a specified url.

## Usage

```
importWQP(obs_url, zip = TRUE, tz = "UTC", csv = FALSE)
```

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#### **Arguments**

obs_url	character URL to Water Quality Portal#' @keywords data import USGS web service
zip	logical to request data via downloading zip file. Default set to TRUE.
tz	character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default is UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column).  Possible values include "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_An "America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix' and "America/Metlakatla"
CSV	logical. Is the data coming back with a csv or tsv format. Default is FALSE.  Currently, the summary service does not support tsv, for other services tsv is the

#### Value

retval dataframe raw data returned from the Water Quality Portal. Additionally, a POSIXct dateTime column is supplied for start and end times, and converted to UTC. See <a href="https://www.waterqualitydata.us/portal\_userguide/">https://www.waterqualitydata.us/portal\_userguide/</a> for more information.

#### See Also

readWQPdata, readWQPqw, whatWQPsites

safer choice.

## **Examples**

```
# These examples require an internet connection to run
## Examples take longer than 5 seconds:
rawSampleURL <- constructWQPURL('USGS-01594440','01075', '', '')
rawSample <- importWQP(rawSampleURL)
rawSampleURL_NoZip <- constructWQPURL('USGS-01594440','01075', '', '', zip=FALSE)
rawSample2 <- importWQP(rawSampleURL_NoZip, zip=FALSE)
STORETex <- constructWQPURL('WIDNR_WQX-10032762','Specific conductance', '', '')
STORETdata <- importWQP(STORETex)</pre>
```

parameterCdFile

List of USGS parameter codes

## **Description**

Complete list of USGS parameter codes as of May 22, 2017.

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#### Value

parameterData data frame with information about USGS parameters.

Name Type Description

parameter\_cd character parameter\_group\_nm parameter\_nm character character character character usgs parameter group name character usgs parameter name

casrn character Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number

srsname character Substance Registry Services Name

parameter\_units character Parameter units

## **Examples**

head(parameterCdFile[,1:2])

readNGWMNdata import data from the National Groundwater Monitoring Network

http://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/.

#### Description

Only water level data and site locations and names are currently available through the web service.

#### Usage

```
readNGWMNdata(service, ..., asDateTime = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

#### **Arguments**

service char Service for the request - "observation" and "featureOfInterest" are imple-

mented.

... Other parameters to supply, namely siteNumbers or bbox

asDateTime logical if TRUE, will convert times to POSIXct format. Currently defaults to

FALSE since time zone information is not included.

tz character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts

the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided time zone offset. Possible values to provide are "America/New\_York","America/Chicago", "America/Denver","America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-

ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix",

and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on

time zones.

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## **Examples**

```
#one site
site <- "USGS.430427089284901"
# oneSite <- readNGWMNdata(siteNumbers = site, service = "observation")</pre>
#multiple sites
sites <- c("USGS.272838082142201","USGS.404159100494601", "USGS.401216080362703")
# Very slow:
# multiSiteData <- readNGWMNdata(siteNumbers = sites, service = "observation")</pre>
# attributes(multiSiteData)
#non-USGS site
#accepts colon or period between agency and ID
site <- "MBMG:702934"
# data <- readNGWMNdata(siteNumbers = site, service = "featureOfInterest")</pre>
#site with no data returns empty data frame
noDataSite <- "UTGS.401544112060301"
# noDataSite <- readNGWMNdata(siteNumbers = noDataSite, service = "observation")</pre>
#bounding box
#bboxSites <- readNGWMNdata(service = "featureOfInterest", bbox = c(30, -102, 31, 99))</pre>
#retrieve sites. Set asDateTime to false since one site has an invalid date
#bboxData <- readNGWMNdata(service = "observation", siteNumbers = bboxSites$site[1:3],</pre>
#asDateTime = FALSE)
```

readNGWMNlevels

Retrieve groundwater levels from the National Ground Water Monitoring Network http://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/.

# **Description**

Retrieve groundwater levels from the National Ground Water Monitoring Network <a href="http://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/">http://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/</a>.

## Usage

```
readNGWMNlevels(siteNumbers, asDateTime = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

## **Arguments**

siteNumbers

character Vector of feature IDs formatted with agency code and site number separated by a period or semicolon, e.g. USGS.404159100494601.

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asDateTime

logical Should dates and times be converted to date/time objects, or returned as character? Defaults to TRUE. Must be set to FALSE if a site contains non-standard

dates.

tz

character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided time zone offset. Possible values to provide are "America/New\_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-

ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix",

and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on

time zones.

## **Examples**

```
#one site
site <- "USGS.430427089284901"
#oneSite <- readNGWMNlevels(siteNumbers = site)

#multiple sites
sites <- c("USGS:272838082142201","USGS:404159100494601", "USGS:401216080362703")
#multiSiteData <- readNGWMNlevels(sites)

#non-USGS site
site <- "MBMG.103306"
#data <- readNGWMNlevels(siteNumbers = site, asDateTime = FALSE)

#site with no data returns empty data frame
noDataSite <- "UTGS.401544112060301"
#noDataSite <- readNGWMNlevels(siteNumbers = noDataSite)</pre>
```

readNGWMNsites

Retrieve site data from the National Ground Water Monitoring Network http://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/.

#### **Description**

Retrieve site data from the National Ground Water Monitoring Network <a href="http://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/">http://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/</a>.

## Usage

```
readNGWMNsites(siteNumbers)
```

#### **Arguments**

siteNumbers

character Vector of feature IDs formatted with agency code and site number separated by a period or semicolon, e.g. USGS.404159100494601.

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#### Value

A data frame the following columns: #'

Name Type Description site char Site FID Site description description char dec\_lat\_va, dec\_lon\_va numeric

Site latitude and longitude

## **Examples**

```
#one site
site <- "USGS.430427089284901"
oneSite <- readNGWMNsites(siteNumbers = site)</pre>
#non-USGS site
site <- "MBMG.103306"
siteInfo <- readNGWMNsites(siteNumbers = site)</pre>
```

readNWISdata

General Data Import from NWIS

#### **Description**

Returns data from the NWIS web service. Arguments to the function should be based on https: //waterservices.usgs.gov service calls. See examples below for ideas of constructing queries.

## Usage

```
readNWISdata(..., asDateTime = TRUE, convertType = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

## **Arguments**

see https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/Site-Service.html for a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied. One important argument to include is 'service'. Possible values are "iv" (for instantaneous), "iv\_recent" (for instantaneous values within the last 120 days), "dv" (for daily values), "gwlevels" (for groundwater levels), "site" (for site service), "qw" (water-quality), "measurement", and "stat" (for statistics service). Note: "qw" and "measurement" calls go to: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/ usa/nwis for data requests, and use different call requests schemes. The statistics service has a limited selection of arguments (see <a href="https://waterservices">https://waterservices</a>. usgs.gov/rest/Statistics-Service-Test-Tool.html).

asDateTime

logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, Date

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convertType logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates,

datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is re-

turned as a character

tz character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts

the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz\_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New\_York","America/Chicago", "America/Denver","America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-

ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix",

and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on

time zones.

#### Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Туре	Description
agency	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site	character	The USGS site number
dateTime	e POSIXct	The date and time (if applicable) of the measurement, converted to UTC for unit value data. R only al
tz_cd	character	The time zone code for dateTime column
code	character	Any codes that qualify the corresponding value
value	numeric	The numeric value for the parameter

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form X\_D\_P\_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters
statisticInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

#### See Also

```
renameNWISColumns, importWaterML1, importRDB1
```

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```
startDate="2014-05-01T00:00Z",endDate="2014-05-01T12:00Z")
instFlowCDT <- readNWISdata(sites="05114000", service="iv",</pre>
                   parameterCd="00060",
                   startDate="2014-05-01T00:00", endDate="2014-05-01T12:00",
                   tz="America/Chicago")
#Empty:
multiSite <- readNWISdata(sites=c("04025000","04072150"), service="iv",</pre>
                            parameterCd="00010")
#Not empty:
multiSite <- readNWISdata(sites=c("04025500","040263491"),</pre>
                            service="iv", parameterCd="00060")
bBoxEx <- readNWISdata(bBox=c(-83,36.5,-81,38.5), parameterCd="00010")
startDate <- as.Date("2013-10-01")
endDate <- as.Date("2014-09-30")
waterYear <- readNWISdata(bBox=c(-83,36.5,-81,38.5), parameterCd="00010",</pre>
                  service="dv", startDate=startDate, endDate=endDate)
siteInfo <- readNWISdata(stateCd="WI", parameterCd="00010",</pre>
                  hasDataTypeCd="iv", service="site")
qwData <- readNWISdata(bBox=c(-82.5,41.52,-81,41),startDate=as.Date("2000-01-01"),
                  drain_area_va_min=50, qw_count_nu=50,qw_attributes="expanded",
                qw_sample_wide",list_of_search_criteria=c("lat_long_bounding_box",
                  "drain_area_va", "obs_count_nu"), service="qw")
temp <- readNWISdata(bBox=c(-83,36.5,-81,38.5), parameterCd="00010", service="site",
                   seriesCatalogOutput=TRUE)
wiGWL <- readNWISdata(stateCd="WI",service="gwlevels")</pre>
meas <- readNWISdata(state_cd="WI",service="measurements",format="rdb_expanded")</pre>
waterYearStat <- readNWISdata(site=c("03112500"),service="stat",statReportType="annual",</pre>
                 statYearType="water", missingData="on")
monthlyStat <- readNWISdata(site=c("03112500","03111520"),</pre>
                             service="stat",
                             statReportType="monthly")
dailyStat <- readNWISdata(site=c("03112500","03111520"),</pre>
                           service="stat",
                           statReportType="daily",
                           statType=c("p25","p50","p75","min","max"),
                           parameterCd="00065")
allDailyStats <- readNWISdata(site=c("03111548"),</pre>
                               service="stat",
                               statReportType="daily",
                               statType=c("p25","p50","p75","min","max"),
                               parameterCd="00060")
dailyWV <- readNWISdata(stateCd = "West Virginia", parameterCd = "00060")</pre>
arg.list <- list(site="03111548",
                 statReportType="daily",
                 statType=c("p25","p50","p75","min","max"),
                 parameterCd="00060")
allDailyStats_2 <- readNWISdata(arg.list, service="stat")</pre>
```

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```
#' # use county names to get data
dailyStaffordVA <- readNWISdata(stateCd = "Virginia",</pre>
                                 countyCd="Stafford",
                                 parameterCd = "00060"
                                 startDate = "2015-01-01",
                                 endDate = "2015-01-30")
va_counties <- c("51001","51003","51005","51007","51009","51011","51013","51015")</pre>
va_counties_data <- readNWISdata(startDate = "2015-01-01", endDate = "2015-12-31",</pre>
parameterCd = "00060", countycode = va_counties)
site_id <- '01594440'
rating_curve <- readNWISdata(service = "rating", site_no = site_id, file_type="base")</pre>
all_sites_base <- readNWISdata(service = "rating", file_type="base")</pre>
all_sites_core <- readNWISdata(service = "rating", file_type="corr")
all_sites_exsa <- readNWISdata(service = "rating", file_type="exsa")</pre>
all_sites_24hrs <- readNWISdata(service = "rating", file_type="exsa", period = 24)</pre>
today <- readNWISdata(service="iv", startDate = Sys.Date(),</pre>
                       parameterCd = "00060", siteNumber = "05114000")
```

readNWISdv

Daily Value USGS NWIS Data Retrieval

# Description

Imports data from NWIS web service. This function gets the data from here: https://waterservices.usgs.gov/

#### Usage

```
readNWISdv(siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate = "", endDate = "",
   statCd = "00003")
```

#### **Arguments**

siteNumbers	character USGS site number. This is usually an 8 digit number. Multiple sites can be requested with a character vector.
parameterCd	character of USGS parameter code(s). This is usually an 5 digit number.
startDate	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.
endDate	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.
statCd	character USGS statistic code. This is usually 5 digits. Daily mean (00003) is the default.

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#### Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site	character	The USGS site number
Date	Date	The date of the value
code	character	Any codes that qualify the corresponding value
value	numeric	The numeric value for the parameter

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form X\_D\_P\_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description	
url	character	The url used to generate the data	
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites	
variableInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters	
statisticInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data	
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned	

#### See Also

renameNWISColumns, importWaterML1

```
site_id <- '04085427'
startDate <- '2012-01-01'
endDate <- '2012-06-30'
pCode <- '00060'
rawDailyQ <- readNWISdv(site_id,pCode, startDate, endDate)</pre>
rawDailyQAndTempMeanMax <- readNWISdv(site_id,c('00010','00060'),</pre>
       startDate, endDate, statCd=c('00001','00003'))
rawDailyQAndTempMeanMax <- renameNWISColumns(rawDailyQAndTempMeanMax)</pre>
rawDailyMultiSites<- readNWISdv(c("01491000","01645000"),c('00010','00060'),
       startDate, endDate, statCd=c('00001','00003'))
# Site with no data:
x <- readNWISdv("10258500","00060", "2014-09-08", "2014-09-14")
names(attributes(x))
attr(x, "siteInfo")
attr(x, "variableInfo")
site <- "05212700"
notActive <- readNWISdv(site, "00060", "2014-01-01","2014-01-07")</pre>
```

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readNWISgwl	Groundwater level measurements retrieval from USGS (NWIS)
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## **Description**

Reads groundwater level measurements from NWISweb. Mixed date/times come back from the service depending on the year that the data was collected. See <a href="https://waterdata.usgs.gov/usa/nwis/gw">https://waterdata.usgs.gov/usa/nwis/gw</a> for details about groundwater. By default the returned dates are converted to date objects, unless convertType is specified as FALSE. Sites with non-standard date formats (i.e. lacking a day) can be affected (see examples). See <a href="https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/GW-Levels-Service.html">https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/GW-Levels-Service.html</a> for more information.

## Usage

```
readNWISgwl(siteNumbers, startDate = "", endDate = "",
  convertType = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

# **Arguments**

siteNumbers	character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number
startDate	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.
endDate	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.
convertType	logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character
tz	character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts

character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz\_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New\_York","America/Chicago", "America/Denver","America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-

ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix",

and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on

time zones.

## Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
site_tp_cd	character	Site type code
lev_dt	Date	Date level measured
lev_tm	character	Time level measured

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lev_tz_cd	character	Time datum
lev_va	numeric	Water level value in feet below land surface
sl_lev_va	numeric	Water level value in feet above specific vertical datum
lev_status_cd	character	The status of the site at the time the water level was measured
lev agency cd	character	The agency code of the person measuring the water level

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites

#### See Also

```
constructNWISURL, importRDB1
```

## **Examples**

```
site_id <- "434400121275801"

data <- readNWISgwl(site_id, '','')
sites <- c("434400121275801", "375907091432201")
data2 <- readNWISgwl(site_id, '','')
data3 <- readNWISgwl("420125073193001", '','')
#handling of data where date has no day
data4 <- readNWISgwl("425957088141001", startDate = "1980-01-01")</pre>
```

readNWISmeas

Surface-water measurement data retrieval from USGS (NWIS)

## **Description**

Reads surface-water measurement data from NWISweb. Data is retrieved from https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis. See https://waterdata.usgs.gov/usa/nwis/sw for details about surface water.

## Usage

```
readNWISmeas(siteNumbers, startDate = "", endDate = "", tz = "UTC",
   expanded = FALSE, convertType = TRUE)
```

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#### **Arguments**

siteNumbers character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number startDate character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is

"" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.

endDate character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is

"" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.

tz character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts

the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz\_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New\_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-

ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix",

and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on

time zones.

expanded logical. Whether or not (TRUE or FALSE) to call the expanded data.

convertType logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates,

datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is re-

turned as a character

## Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name Type Description

agency cd character The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data

site\_no character The USGS site number

measurement\_dt POSIXct The date and time (in POSIXct) of the measurement. Unless specified with the tz parameter, the

tz\_cd character The time zone code for the measurement\_dt column

See https://waterdata.usgs.gov/usa/nwis/sw for details about surface water, and https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/help?output\_formats\_help for help on the columns and codes.

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name Type Description

url character The url used to generate the data queryTime POSIXct The time the data was returned comment character Header comments from the RDB file

siteInfo data.frame A data frame containing information on the requested sites

tz\_cd\_reported The originally reported time zone

# See Also

constructNWISURL, importRDB1

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## **Examples**

```
site_ids <- c('01594440','040851325')

data <- readNWISmeas(site_ids)

Meas05316840 <- readNWISmeas("05316840")

Meas05316840.ex <- readNWISmeas("05316840",expanded=TRUE)

Meas07227500.ex <- readNWISmeas("07227500",expanded=TRUE)

Meas07227500.exRaw <- readNWISmeas("07227500",expanded=TRUE, convertType = FALSE)</pre>
```

readNWISpCode

USGS Parameter Data Retrieval

#### **Description**

Imports data from NWIS about meaured parameter based on user-supplied parameter code or codes. This function gets the data from here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/pmcodes

## Usage

readNWISpCode(parameterCd)

## Arguments

parameterCd

character of USGS parameter codes (or multiple parameter codes). These are 5 digit number codes, more information can be found here: https://help.waterdata.usgs.gov/. To get a complete list of all current parameter codes in the USGS, use "all" as the input.

#### Value

parameterData data frame with the following information:

Name	Type	Description
parameter_cd	character	5-digit USGS parameter code
parameter_group_nm	character	USGS parameter group name
parameter_nm	character	USGS parameter name
casrn	character	Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number
srsname	character	Substance Registry Services Name

character Parameter units

## See Also

importRDB1

parameter\_units

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## **Examples**

```
paramINF0 <- readNWISpCode(c('01075','00060','00931'))
paramINF0 <- readNWISpCode(c('01075','00060','00931', NA))</pre>
```

 ${\tt readNWISpeak}$ 

Peak flow data from USGS (NWIS)

## **Description**

Reads peak flow from NWISweb. Data is retrieved from <a href="https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis">https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis</a>. In some cases, the specific date of the peak data is not know. This function will default to converting complete dates to a "Date" object, and converting incomplete dates to "NA". If those incomplete dates are needed, set the 'asDateTime' argument to FALSE. No dates will be converted to R Date objects.

## Usage

```
readNWISpeak(siteNumbers, startDate = "", endDate = "",
   asDateTime = TRUE, convertType = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

siteNumbers	character USGS site number(or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number.
startDate	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.
endDate	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.
asDateTime	logical default to TRUE. When TRUE, the peak_dt column is converted to a Date object, and incomplete dates are removed. When FALSE, no columns are removed, but no dates are converted.
convertType	logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character

## Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
peak_dt	Date	Date of peak streamflow
peak_tm	character	Time of peak streamflow as character
peak_va	numeric	Annual peak streamflow value in cfs
peak_cd	character	Peak Discharge-Qualification codes (see comment for more information)
gage_ht	numeric	Gage height for the associated peak streamflow in feet

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gage_ht_cd	character	Gage height qualification codes	
year_last_pk	numeric	Peak streamflow reported is the highest since this year	
ag_dt	Date	Date of maximum gage-height for water year (if not concurrent with peak)	
ag_tm	character	Time of maximum gage-height for water year (if not concurrent with peak)	
ag_gage_ht	numeric	maximum Gage height for water year in feet (if not concurrent with peak)	
ag_gage_ht_cd	character	maximum Gage height code	

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites

#### See Also

```
constructNWISURL, importRDB1
```

## **Examples**

```
site_ids <- c('01594440','040851325')

data <- readNWISpeak(site_ids)
data2 <- readNWISpeak(site_ids, asDateTime=FALSE)
stations<-c("06011000")
peakdata<-readNWISpeak(stations,convertType=FALSE)</pre>
```

readNWISqw

Raw Data Import for USGS NWIS QW Data

# Description

```
Imports data from NWIS web service. This function gets the data from here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/qwdata A list of parameter codes can be found here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/pmcodes/ A list of statistic codes can be found here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/help/?read_file=stat&format=table
```

# Usage

```
readNWISqw(siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate = "", endDate = "",
   expanded = TRUE, reshape = FALSE, tz = "UTC")
```

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#### **Arguments**

siteNumbers character of USGS site numbers. This is usually an 8 digit number

parameterCd character that contains the code for a parameter group, or a character vector of

5-digit parameter codes. See **Details**.

startDate character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is

"" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. Date arguments are

always specified in local time.

endDate character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is

"" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. Date arguments are

always specified in local time.

expanded logical defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, retrieves additional information. Expanded

data includes remark\_cd (remark code), result\_va (result value), val\_qual\_tx (result value qualifier code), meth\_cd (method code), dqi\_cd (data-quality indicator code), rpt\_lev\_va (reporting level), and rpt\_lev\_cd (reporting level type). If FALSE, only returns remark\_cd (remark code) and result\_va (result value). Expanded = FALSE will not give sufficient information for unbiased statistical

analysis.

reshape logical, reshape the expanded data. If TRUE, then return a wide data frame with

all water-quality in a single row for each sample. If FALSE (default), then return a long data frame with each water-quality result in a single row. This argument is only applicable to expanded data. Data requested using expanded=FALSE is

always returned in the wide format.

tz character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the date's provided to adjump. Possible values to provide are "A more

on the data's provided tz\_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New\_York","America/Chicago", "America/Denver","America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-

ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix",

and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on

time zones.

#### **Details**

Valid parameter code groups are "All," or group codes:

Code Description INF Information

PHY Physical

INM Inorganics, Major, Metals (major cations)INN Inorganics, Major, Non-metals (major anions)

NUT Nutrient

MBI Microbiological

BIO Biological

IMN Inorganics, Minor, Non-metals

IMM Inorganics, Minor, Metals

TOX Toxicity

OPE Organics, pesticide

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OPC Organics, PCBs
OOT Organics, other
RAD Radiochemical
SED Sediment
POP Population/community

If more than one parameter group is requested, only sites that data for all requested groups are returned.

#### Value

Name

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Type

agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
sample_dt	Date	The date the sample was collected
sample_tm	character	The reported sample collection time
startDateTime	<b>POSIXct</b>	Combining sample_dt and sample_tm, a date/time column is created, and converted into UTC (un
endDateTime	POSIXct	If any sample end dt and sample end dt exist, this column is created similar to startDateTime

Further columns will be included depending on the requested output format (expanded = TRUE or FALSE).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Description

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file
siteInfo	data frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo	data frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters

## See Also

readWQPdata, whatWQPsites, readWQPqw, constructNWISURL

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readNWISrating

Rating table for an active USGS streamgage retrieval

#### **Description**

Reads current rating table for an active USGS streamgage from NWISweb. Data is retrieved from https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis.

#### Usage

```
readNWISrating(siteNumber, type = "base", convertType = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

siteNumber character USGS site number. This is usually an 8 digit number

type character can be "base", "corr", or "exsa"

convertType logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates,

datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is re-

turned as a character

#### Value

A data frame. If type is "base," then the columns are INDEP, typically the gage height, in feet; DEP, typically the streamflow, in cubic feet per second; and STOR, where "\*" indicates that the pair are a fixed point of the rating curve. If type is "exsa," then an additional column, SHIFT, is included that indicates the current shift in the rating for that value of INDEP. If type is "corr," then the columns are INDEP, typically the gage height, in feet; CORR, the correction for that value; and CORRINDEP, the corrected value for CORR.

If type is "base," then the data frame has an attribute called "RATING" that describes the rating curve is included.

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name Type Description

url character The url used to generate the data queryTime POSIXct The time the data was returned

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comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
RATING	character	Rating information

#### Note

Not all active USGS streamgages have traditional rating curves that relate flow to stage.

## See Also

```
constructNWISURL, importRDB1
```

# **Examples**

```
site_id <- '01594440'

data <- readNWISrating(site_id, "base")
attr(data, "RATING")</pre>
```

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USGS Site File Data Retrieval

# Description

Imports data from USGS site file site. This function gets data from here: https://waterservices.usgs.gov/

# Usage

```
readNWISsite(siteNumbers)
```

## **Arguments**

 ${\tt siteNumbers} \qquad {\tt character} \ {\tt USGS} \ {\tt site} \ {\tt number} \ ({\tt or} \ {\tt multiple} \ {\tt sites}). \ {\tt This} \ {\tt is} \ {\tt usually} \ {\tt an} \ {\tt 8} \ {\tt digit} \ {\tt number}$ 

## Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
station_nm	character	Site name
site_tp_cd	character	Site type
lat_va	numeric	DMS latitude
long_va	numeric	DMS longitude

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dec_lat_va dec_long_va	numeric numeric	Decimal latitude Decimal longitude
coord_meth_cd	character	Latitude-longitude method
coord_acy_cd	character	Latitude-longitude accuracy
coord datum cd	character	Latitude-longitude datum
dec_coord_datum_cd	character	Decimal Latitude-longitude datum
district cd	character	District code
state_cd	character	State code
county_cd	character	County code
country_cd	character	Country code
land_net_ds	character	Land net location description
map_nm	character	Name of location map
map_scale_fc	character	Scale of location map
alt_va	numeric	Altitude of Gage/land surface
alt_meth_cd	character	Method altitude determined
alt_acy_va	numeric	Altitude accuracy
alt_datum_cd	character	Altitude datum
huc_cd	character	Hydrologic unit code
basin_cd	character	Drainage basin code
topo_cd	character	Topographic setting code
instruments_cd	character	Flags for instruments at site
construction_dt	character	Date of first construction
inventory_dt	character	Date site established or inventoried
drain_area_va	numeric	Drainage area
contrib_drain_area_va	numeric	Contributing drainage area
tz_cd	character	Time Zone abbreviation
local_time_fg	character	Site honors Daylight Savings Time
reliability_cd	character	Data reliability code
gw_file_cd	character	Data-other GW files
nat_aqfr_cd	character	National aquifer code
aqfr_cd	character	Local aquifer code
aqfr_type_cd	character	Local aquifer type code
well_depth_va	numeric	Well depth
hole_depth_va	numeric	Hole depth
depth_src_cd	character	Source of depth data
project_no	character	Project number

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file

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#### **Examples**

```
siteINFO <- readNWISsite('05114000')
siteINFOMulti <- readNWISsite(c('05114000','09423350'))</pre>
```

readNWISstat

Site statistics retrieval from USGS (NWIS)

#### **Description**

Retrieves site statistics from the USGS Statistics Web Service beta. See https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/Statistics-Service.html for more information.

#### Usage

```
readNWISstat(siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate = "", endDate = "",
  convertType = TRUE, statReportType = "daily", statType = "mean")
```

#### **Arguments**

siteNumbers character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit num-

ber.

parameterCd character USGS parameter code. This is usually a 5 digit number.

startDate character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY, YYYY-MM, or

YYYY-MM-DD. Dates cannot be more specific than the statReportType, i.e. startDate for monthly statReportTypes cannot include days, and annual statReportTypes cannot include days or months. Months and days are optional for the daily statReportType. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. For daily data, this indicates the start of the period the statistics

will be computed over.

endDate character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY, YYYY-MM, or

YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. For daily data, this indicates the end of the period the statistics will be

computed over. The same restrictions as startDate apply.

convertType logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to numerics

based on a standard algorithm. Years, months, and days (if applicable) are also returned as numerics in separate columns. If convertType is false, everything is

returned as a character.

statReportType character time division for statistics: daily, monthly, or annual. Default is daily.

Note that daily provides statistics for each calendar day over the specified range of water years, i.e. no more than 366 data points will be returned for each site/parameter. Use readNWISdata or readNWISdv for daily averages. Also note that 'annual' returns statistics for the calendar year. Use readNWISdata for water years. Monthly and yearly provide statistics for each month and year

within the range indivually.

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character type(s) of statistics to output for daily values. Default is mean, which is the only option for monthly and yearly report types. See the statistics service documentation at https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/Statistics-Service.html for a full list of codes.

#### Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name Type Description
agency\_cd character site\_no character
parameter\_cd Type Description
The NWIS code for the agency repor
the USGS site number
The USGS parameter code

Other columns will be present depending on statReportType and statType

#### See Also

```
constructNWISURL, importRDB1
```

#### **Examples**

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Water use data retrieval from USGS (NWIS)

## **Description**

Retrieves water use data from USGS Water Use Data for the Nation. See <a href="https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/wu">https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/wu</a> for more information. All available use categories for the supplied arguments are retrieved.

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#### Usage

```
readNWISuse(stateCd, countyCd, years = "ALL", categories = "ALL",
  convertType = TRUE, transform = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

stateCd could be character (full name, abbreviation, id), or numeric (id). Only one is

accepted per query.

countyCd could be character (name, with or without "County", or "ALL"), numeric (id),

or codeNULL, which will return state or national data depending on the stateCd argument. ALL may also be supplied, which will return data for every county in

a state. Can be a vector of counties in the same state.

years integer Years for data retrieval. Must be years ending in 0 or 5. Default is all

available years.

categories character categories of water use. Defaults to ALL. Specific categories must be

supplied as two- letter abbreviations as seen in the URL when using the NWIS water use web interface. Note that there are different codes for national and state

level data.

convertType logical defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to numerics

based on a standard algorithm. Years, months, and days (if applicable) are also returned as numerics in separate columns. If convertType is false, everything is

returned as a character.

transform logical only intended for use with national data. Defaults to FALSE, with data

being returned as presented by the web service. If TRUE, data will be transformed and returned with column names, which will reformat national data to be similar

to state data.

#### Value

A data frame with at least the year of record, and all available statistics for the given geographic parameters. County and state fields will be included as appropriate.

```
#All data for a county
allegheny <- readNWISuse(stateCd = "Pennsylvania",countyCd = "Allegheny")

#Data for an entire state for certain years
ohio <- readNWISuse(years=c(2000,2005,2010),stateCd = "OH", countyCd = NULL)

#Data for an entire state, county by county
pr <- readNWISuse(years=c(2000,2005,2010),stateCd = "PR",countyCd="ALL")

#All national-scale data, transforming data frame to named columns from named rows
national <- readNWISuse(stateCd = NULL, countyCd = NULL, transform = TRUE)

#Washington, DC data</pre>
```

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```
dc <- readNWISuse(stateCd = "DC",countyCd = NULL)
#data for multiple counties, with different input formatting
paData <- readNWISuse(stateCd = "42",countyCd = c("Allegheny County", "BUTLER", 1, "031"))
#retrieving two specific categories for an entire state
ks <- readNWISuse(stateCd = "KS", countyCd = NULL, categories = c("IT","LI"))</pre>
```

readNWISuv

Instantaneous value data retrieval from USGS (NWIS)

## **Description**

Imports data from NWIS web service. This function gets the data from here: https://waterservices.usgs.gov/ A list of parameter codes can be found here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/pmcodes/ A list of statistic codes can be found here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/help/?read\_file=stat&format=table. More information on the web service can be found here: https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/IV-Service.html.

#### Usage

```
readNWISuv(siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate = "", endDate = "",
  tz = "UTC")
```

## **Arguments**

siteNumbers character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number

parameterCd character USGS parameter code. This is usually an 5 digit number.

startDate character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default

is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. Simple date arguments are specified in local time. See more information here: https:

//waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/IV-Service.html.

endDate character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default

is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. Simple date arguments are specified in local time. See more information here: https://

waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/IV-Service.html.

tz character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts

the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz\_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New\_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-

ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix",

and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on

time zones.

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# Value

A data frame with the following columns:

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Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
dateTime	POSIXct	The date and time of the value converted to UTC
tz_cd	character	The time zone code for dateTime
code	character	Any codes that qualify the corresponding value
value	numeric	The numeric value for the parameter

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form: X\_D\_P\_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters
statisticInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

#### See Also

 ${\tt renameNWISColumns, importWaterML1}$ 

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# **Description**

Imports data from Water Quality Portal web service. This function gets the data from here: https://www.waterqualitydata.us. because it allows for other agencies rather than the USGS.

#### **Usage**

```
readWQPdata(..., querySummary = FALSE, tz = "UTC")
```

## **Arguments**

 $\dots \qquad \qquad \text{see https://www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices\_documentation for} \\$ 

a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied.

querySummary logical to ONLY return the number of records and unique sites that will be re-

turned from this query. This argument is not supported via the combined list

from the ... argument

tz character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts

the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz\_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New\_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-

ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix",

and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on

time zones.

#### Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
OrganizationIdentifier	character	A designator used to uniquely identify a unique busines
OrganizationFormalName	character	The legal designator (i.e. formal name) of an organizat
ActivityIdentifier	character	Designator that uniquely identifies an activity within ar
ActivityTypeCode	character	The text describing the type of activity.
ActivityMediaName	character	Name or code indicating the environmental medium wl
ActivityMediaSubdivisionName	character	Name or code indicating the environmental matrix as a
ActivityStartDate	character	The calendar date on which the field activity is started.
ActivityStartTime/Time	character	The time of day that is reported when the field activity
ActivityStartTime/TimeZoneCode	character	The time zone for which the time of day is reported. At
ActivityEndDate	character	The calendar date when the field activity is completed.
ActivityEndTime/Time	character	The time of day that is reported when the field activity
ActivityEndTime/TimeZoneCode	character	The time zone for which the time of day is reported. At
ActivityDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureValue	character	A measurement of the vertical location (measured from
ActivityDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureUnitCode	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iten

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ActivityDepthAltitudeReferencePointText	character	The reference used to indicate the datum or reference u
ActivityTopDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureValue	character	A measurement of the upper vertical location of a verti-
ActivityTopDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureUnitCode	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the item
ActivityBottomDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureValue	character	A measurement of the lower vertical location of a vertical
ActivityBottomDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureUnitCode	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the item
ProjectIdentifier	character	A designator used to uniquely identify a data collection
ActivityConductingOrganizationText	character	A name of the Organization conducting an activity.
MonitoringLocationIdentifier	character	A designator used to describe the unique name, number
ActivityCommentText	character	General comments concerning the activity.
SampleAquifer *	character	A code that designates the aquifer associated with grou
HydrologicCondition *	character	Hydrologic condition is the hydrologic condition that is
HydrologicEvent *	character	A hydrologic event that is represented by the sample co
SampleCollectionMethod/MethodIdentifier	character	The identification number or code assigned by the meth
SampleCollectionMethod/MethodIdentifierContext	character	Identifies the source or data system that created or defin
SampleCollectionMethod/MethodName	character	The title that appears on the method from the method p
SampleCollectionEquipmentName	character	The name for the equipment used in collecting the sam
ResultDetectionConditionText	character	The textual descriptor of a result.
CharacteristicName	character	The object, property, or substance which is evaluated o
ResultSampleFractionText	character	The text name of the portion of the sample associated v
ResultMeasureValue	numeric	The reportable measure of the result for the chemical, r
MeasureQualifierCode	character	A code used to identify any qualifying issues that affec
ResultMeasure/MeasureUnitCode	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the item
ResultStatusIdentifier	character	Indicates the acceptability of the result with respect to
StatisticalBaseCode	character	The code for the method used to calculate derived result
ResultValueTypeName	character	A name that qualifies the process which was used in the
ResultWeightBasisText	character	The name that represents the form of the sample or por
ResultTimeBasisText	character	The period of time (in days) over which a measuremen
ResultTemperatureBasisText	character	The name that represents the controlled temperature at
ResultParticleSizeBasisText	character	User defined free text describing the particle size class
PrecisionValue	character	A measure of mutual agreement among individual mea
ResultCommentText	character	Free text with general comments concerning the result.
USGSPCode *	character	5-digit number used in the US Geological Survey comp
ResultDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureValue +	character	A measurement of the vertical location (measured from
ResultDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureUnitCode +	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the item
ResultDepthAltitudeReferencePointText +	character	The reference used to indicate the datum or reference u
SubjectTaxonomicName	character	The name of the organism from which a tissue sample
SampleTissueAnatomyName *	character	The name of the anatomy from which a tissue sample v
ResultAnalyticalMethod/MethodIdentifier	character	The identification number or code assigned by the method
ResultAnalyticalMethod/MethodIdentifierContext	character	Identifies the source or data system that created or defin
ResultAnalyticalMethod/MethodName	character	The title that appears on the method from the method p
MethodDescriptionText *	character	A brief summary that provides general information abo
LaboratoryName	character	The name of Lab responsible for the result.
AnalysisStartDate	character	The calendar date on which the analysis began.
ResultLaboratoryCommentText	character	Remarks which further describe the laboratory procedu
DetectionQuantitationLimitTypeName	character	Text describing the type of detection or quantitation lev
DetectionQuantitationLimitMeasure/MeasureValue	numeric	Constituent concentration that, when processed through
DetectionQuantitationLimitMeasure/MeasureUnitCode	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the item
Proporation Start Data	character	The colonder date when the preparation/extraction of the

character

The calendar date when the preparation/extraction of the

PreparationStartDate

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ActivityStartDateTime ActivityEndDateTime POSIXct Activity start date and time converted to POSIXct UTC POSIXct Activity end date and time converted to POSIXct UTC

\* = elements only in NWIS + = elements only in STORET

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name Type Description
url character The url used to generate the data
siteInfo data.frame A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo data.frame A data frame containing information on the requested parameters
queryTime POSIXct The time the data was returned

```
nameToUse <- "pH"
pHData <- readWQPdata(siteid="USGS-04024315",characteristicName=nameToUse)
pHData_summary <- readWQPdata(bBox=c(-90.10,42.67,-88.64,43.35),
     characteristicName=nameToUse, querySummary=TRUE)
startDate <- as.Date("2013-01-01")
nutrientDaneCounty <- readWQPdata(countycode="US:55:025",startDate=startDate,</pre>
                         characteristicType="Nutrient")
secchi.names = c("Depth, Secchi disk depth",
                  "Depth, Secchi disk depth (choice list)",
                  "Secchi Reading Condition (choice list)",
                  "Secchi depth",
                  "Water transparency, Secchi disc")
args <- list('startDateLo' = startDate,</pre>
              'startDateHi' = "2013-12-31",
              statecode="WI",
              characteristicName=secchi.names)
wqp.data <- readWQPdata(args)</pre>
args_2 <- list('startDateLo' = startDate,</pre>
              'startDateHi' = "2013-12-31",
              statecode="WI",
              characteristicName=secchi.names,
               querySummary=TRUE)
wqp.summary <- readWQPdata(args_2)</pre>
arg_3 <- list('startDateLo' = startDate,</pre>
              'startDateHi' = "2013-12-31")
arg_4 <- list(statecode="WI",</pre>
              characteristicName=secchi.names)
wqp.summary <- readWQPdata(arg_3, arg_4, querySummary=TRUE)</pre>
wqp.summary_WI <- readWQPdata(arg_3, statecode="WI",</pre>
                               characteristicName=secchi.names,
```

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```
querySummary=TRUE)
```

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Raw Data Import for Water Quality Portal

# **Description**

Imports data from the Water Quality Portal. This function gets the data from here: https://www.waterqualitydata.us. There are four required input arguments: siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate, and endDate. parameterCd can either be a USGS 5-digit code, or a characteristic name. The sites can be either USGS, or other Water Quality Portal offered sites. It is required to use the 'full' site name, such as 'USGS-01234567'.

#### Usage

```
readWQPqw(siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate = "", endDate = "",
  tz = "UTC", querySummary = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

siteNumbers	character site number. This needs to include the full agency code prefix.
parameterCd	vector of USGS 5-digit parameter code or characteristicNames. Leaving this blank will return all of the measured values during the specified time period.
startDate	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.
endDate	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.
tz	character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based

the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz\_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New\_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-

ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix",

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and "America/Metlakatla". See also  ${\tt OlsonNames}()$  for more information on

time zones.

querySummary logical to look at number of records and unique sites that will be returned from

this query.

# Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
OrganizationIdentifier	character	A designator used to uniquely identify a unique busines
OrganizationFormalName	character	The legal designator (i.e. formal name) of an organizat
ActivityIdentifier	character	Designator that uniquely identifies an activity within ar
ActivityTypeCode	character	The text describing the type of activity.
ActivityMediaName	character	Name or code indicating the environmental medium wl
ActivityMediaSubdivisionName	character	Name or code indicating the environmental matrix as a
ActivityStartDate	character	The calendar date on which the field activity is started.
ActivityStartTime/Time	character	The time of day that is reported when the field activity
ActivityStartTime/TimeZoneCode	character	The time zone for which the time of day is reported. As
ActivityEndDate	character	The calendar date when the field activity is completed.
ActivityEndTime/Time	character	The time of day that is reported when the field activity
ActivityEndTime/TimeZoneCode	character	The time zone for which the time of day is reported. As
ActivityDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureValue	character	A measurement of the vertical location (measured from
ActivityDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureUnitCode	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iten
ActivityDepthAltitudeReferencePointText	character	The reference used to indicate the datum or reference u
ActivityTopDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureValue	character	A measurement of the upper vertical location of a verti
ActivityTopDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureUnitCode	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iten
ActivityBottomDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureValue	character	A measurement of the lower vertical location of a verti
ActivityBottomDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureUnitCode	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iten
ProjectIdentifier	character	A designator used to uniquely identify a data collection
ActivityConductingOrganizationText	character	A name of the Organization conducting an activity.
MonitoringLocationIdentifier	character	A designator used to describe the unique name, number
ActivityCommentText	character	General comments concerning the activity.
SampleAquifer *	character	A code that designates the aquifer associated with grou
HydrologicCondition *	character	Hydrologic condition is the hydrologic condition that is
HydrologicEvent *	character	A hydrologic event that is represented by the sample co
SampleCollectionMethod/MethodIdentifier	character	The identification number or code assigned by the meth
SampleCollectionMethod/MethodIdentifierContext	character	Identifies the source or data system that created or defin
SampleCollectionMethod/MethodName	character	The title that appears on the method from the method p
SampleCollectionEquipmentName	character	The name for the equipment used in collecting the sam
ResultDetectionConditionText	character	The textual descriptor of a result.
CharacteristicName	character	The object, property, or substance which is evaluated o
ResultSampleFractionText	character	The text name of the portion of the sample associated v
ResultMeasureValue	numeric	The reportable measure of the result for the chemical, r
MeasureQualifierCode	character	A code used to identify any qualifying issues that affec
ResultMeasure/MeasureUnitCode	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iten
ResultStatusIdentifier	character	Indicates the acceptability of the result with respect to
StatisticalBaseCode	character	The code for the method used to calculate derived result
ResultValueTypeName	character	A name that qualifies the process which was used in the

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ResultWeightBasisText	character	The name that represents the form of the sample or por
ResultTimeBasisText	character	The period of time (in days) over which a measuremen
ResultTemperatureBasisText	character	The name that represents the controlled temperature at
ResultParticleSizeBasisText	character	User defined free text describing the particle size class
PrecisionValue	character	A measure of mutual agreement among individual mea
ResultCommentText	character	Free text with general comments concerning the result.
USGSPCode *	character	5-digit number used in the US Geological Survey comp
ResultDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureValue +	character	A measurement of the vertical location (measured from
ResultDepthHeightMeasure/MeasureUnitCode +	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iten
ResultDepthAltitudeReferencePointText +	character	The reference used to indicate the datum or reference u
SubjectTaxonomicName	character	The name of the organism from which a tissue sample
SampleTissueAnatomyName *	character	The name of the anatomy from which a tissue sample v
ResultAnalyticalMethod/MethodIdentifier	character	The identification number or code assigned by the meth
ResultAnalyticalMethod/MethodIdentifierContext	character	Identifies the source or data system that created or defin
ResultAnalyticalMethod/MethodName	character	The title that appears on the method from the method p
MethodDescriptionText *	character	A brief summary that provides general information abo
LaboratoryName	character	The name of Lab responsible for the result.
AnalysisStartDate	character	The calendar date on which the analysis began.
ResultLaboratoryCommentText	character	Remarks which further describe the laboratory procedu
DetectionQuantitationLimitTypeName	character	Text describing the type of detection or quantitation lev
DetectionQuantitationLimitMeasure/MeasureValue	numeric	Constituent concentration that, when processed through
DetectionQuantitationLimitMeasure/MeasureUnitCode	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iten
PreparationStartDate	character	The calendar date when the preparation/extraction of the
ActivityStartDateTime	POSIXct	Activity start date and time converted to POSIXct UTC
ActivityEndDateTime	POSIXct	Activity end date and time converted to POSIXct UTC.

<sup>\* =</sup> elements only in NWIS + = elements only in STORET

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

# See Also

 $\verb"readWQPdata", \verb"whatWQPsites", \verb"readNWISqw", \verb"and" importWQP"$ 

```
rawPcode <- readWQPqw('USGS-01594440','01075', '', '')
rawCharacteristicName <- readWQPqw('WIDNR_WQX-10032762','Specific conductance', '', '')
rawPHsites <- readWQPqw(c('USGS-05406450', 'USGS-05427949','WIDNR_WQX-133040'), 'pH','','')
nwisEx <- readWQPqw('USGS-04024000',c('34247','30234','32104','34220'),'','2012-12-20')
nwisEx.summary <- readWQPqw('USGS-04024000',c('34247','30234','32104','34220'),</pre>
```

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```
'','2012-12-20', querySummary=TRUE)
```

renameNWISColumns

renameColumns

# Description

Rename columns coming back from NWIS data retrievals. Daily and unit value columns have names derived from their data descriptor, parameter, and statistic codes. This function reads information from the header and the arguments in the call to to rename those columns.

# Usage

```
renameNWISColumns(rawData, p00010 = "Wtemp", p00045 = "Precip",
  p00060 = "Flow", p00065 = "GH", p00095 = "SpecCond",
  p00300 = "DO", p00400 = "pH", p62611 = "GWL", p63680 = "Turb",
  p72019 = "WLBLS", ...)
```

# **Arguments**

rawData	the daily- or unit-values datset retrieved from NWISweb.
p00010	the base name for parameter code 00010.
p00045	the base name for parameter code 00045.
p00060	the base name for parameter code 00060.
p00065	the base name for parameter code 00065.
p00095	the base name for parameter code 00095.
p00300	the base name for parameter code 00300.
p00400	the base name for parameter code 00400.
p62611	the base name for parameter code 62611.
p63680	the base name for parameter code 63680.
p72019	the base name for parameter code 72019.
• • •	named arguments for the base name for any other parameter code. The form of the name must be like pXXXXX, where XXXXX is the parameter code.

# Value

A dataset like data with selected columns renamed.

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#### Note

The following statistics codes are converted by renameNWISColumns.

00000 Instantaneous Value, suffix: Inst
00001 Maximum value, suffix: Max
00002 Minimum value, suffix: Min
00003 Mean value, no suffix
00006 Sum of values, suffix: Sum
00007 Modal value, suffix: Mode
00008 Median value, suffix: Median
00012 Equivalent mean value, suffix: EqMean
00021 Tidal high-high value, suffix: HiHiTide
00022 Tidal low-high value, suffix: LoHiTide
00023 Tidal high-low value, suffix: HiLoTide
00024 Tidal low-low value, suffix: LoLoTide

# See Also

```
readNWISdv, readNWISuv
```

#### **Examples**

```
siteWithTwo <- '01480015'
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"

twoResults <- readNWISdv(siteWithTwo, "00060",startDate,endDate)
names(twoResults)
renamedCols <- renameNWISColumns(twoResults)
names(renamedCols)
#Custom names:
newNames <- renameNWISColumns(twoResults, p00060="Discharge")
names(newNames)</pre>
```

setAccess

Set data endpoint

## **Description**

access Indicate which dataRetrieval access code you want to use options: c('public', 'internal')

# Usage

```
setAccess(access = "public")
```

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# **Arguments**

access

code for data access. Options are: "public", "internal", "cooperator", or "USGS".

- "internal" represents Access=3 ...for a single water science center
- "USGS" represents Access=2 ...for all water science centers
- "cooperator" represents Access=1
- "public" represents Access=0, public access

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# **Examples**

```
setAccess('internal')
setAccess('public')
```

stateCd

US State Code Lookup Table

#### **Description**

Data pulled from https://www2.census.gov/geo/docs/reference/state.txt on April 1, 2015.

## Value

stateCd data frame.

Name	Type	Description
STATE	character	FIPS State Code

STUSAB character Official United States Postal Service (USPS) Code

STATE\_NAME character State Name

STATENS character Geographic Names Information System Identifier (GNISID)

# **Examples**

head(stateCd)

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stateCdLookup

State code look up

## **Description**

Function to simplify finding state and state code definitions. Used in readNWISdata and readWQPdata.

# Usage

```
stateCdLookup(input, outputType = "postal")
```

# **Arguments**

```
input could be character (full name, abbreviation, id), or numeric (id) outputType character can be "postal", "fullName", "tableIndex", or "id".
```

## **Examples**

```
fullName <- stateCdLookup("wi", "fullName")
abbriev <- stateCdLookup("Wisconsin", "postal")
id <- stateCdLookup("WI", "id")
name <- stateCdLookup(55, "fullName")
index <- stateCdLookup("WI", "tableIndex")
stateCd[index,]
stateCdLookup(c("West Virginia", "Wisconsin", 200, 55, "MN"))</pre>
```

whatNWISdata

USGS data availability

# **Description**

Imports a table of available parameters, period of record, and count. See <a href="https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/Site-Service.html">https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/Site-Service.html</a> for more information.

#### Usage

```
whatNWISdata(...)
```

#### **Arguments**

... see https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/Site-Service.html for a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied.

#### Value

A data frame with the following columns:

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Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
station_nm	character	Site name
site_tp_cd	character	Site type
dec_lat_va	numeric	Decimal latitude
dec_long_va	numeric	Decimal longitude
coord_acy_cd	character	Latitude-longitude accuracy
dec_coord_datum_cd	character	Decimal Latitude-longitude datum
alt_va	character	Altitude of Gage or land surface
alt_acy_va	character	Altitude accuracy
alt_datum_cd	character	Altitude datum
huc_cd	character	Hydrologic unit code
data_type_cd	character	Data type
parm_cd	character	Parameter code
stat_cd	character	Statistical code
dd_nu	character	Internal database key
loc_web_ds	character	Additional measurement description
medium_grp_cd	character	Medium group code
parm_grp_cd	character	Parameter group code
srs_id	character	SRS ID
access_cd	character	Access code
begin_date	Date	Begin date
end_date	Date	End date
count_nu	integer	Record count
parameter_group_nm	character	Parameter group name
parameter_nm	character	Parameter name
casrn	character	Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number
srsname	character	Substance Registry Services
parameter_units	character	Parameter units

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Туре	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

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```
statCd = "00003")
```

whatNWISsites	Site Data Import from NWIS	

# **Description**

Returns a list of sites from the NWIS web service. This function gets the data from: https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/Site-Test-Tool.html. Mapper format is used

# Usage

```
whatNWISsites(...)
```

# Arguments

see https://waterservices.usgs.gov/rest/Site-Service.html for a complete list of options. A list (or lists) can also be supplied.

#### Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
station_nm	character	Station name
site_tp_cd	character	Site type code
dec_lat_va	numeric	Decimal latitude
dec_long_va	numeric	Decimal longitude
queryTime	<b>POSIXct</b>	Query time

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

```
siteListPhos <- whatNWISsites(stateCd="0H",parameterCd="00665")
oneSite <- whatNWISsites(sites="05114000")</pre>
```

what WQP data55

whatWQPdata Data Available from Water Quality Portal
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# **Description**

Returns a list of sites from the Water Quality Portal web service. This function gets the data from: https://www.waterqualitydata.us. Arguments to the function should be based on https:// www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices\_documentation. The information returned from this function describes the available data at the WQP sites, and some metadata on the sites themselves.

# Usage

```
whatWQPdata(..., saveFile = tempfile())
```

## **Arguments**

see https://www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices\_documentation for . . . a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied. saveFile path to save the incoming geojson output.

character

character

#### Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
"type_a"	character	Geojson type
"features.type"	character	Geojson feature type
"type1"	character	Geojson spatial type
"coordinates"	list	List of longitude/latitude
"ProviderName"	character	The name of the database that provided the data to the Water Qaulity
"OrganizationIdentifier"	character	A designator used to uniquely identify a unique business establishme
"OrganizationFormalName"	character	The legal designator (i.e. formal name) of an organization.
"MonitoringLocationIdentifier"	character	A designator used to describe the unique name, number, or code assi
"MonitoringLocationName"	character	The designator specified by the sampling organization for the site at
"MonitoringLocationTypeName"	character	The descriptive name for a type of monitoring location.
"ResolvedMonitoringLocationTypeName"	character	
"HUCEightDigitCode"	character	The 8 digit federal code used to identify the hydrologic unit of the m
"siteUrl"	character	URL to site information
"activityCount"	numeric	
"resultCount"	numeric	

State name

County name

#### See Also

"StateName"

"CountyName"

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## **Examples**

```
site1 <- whatWQPdata(siteid="USGS-01594440")</pre>
type <- "Stream"
sites <- whatWQPdata(countycode="US:55:025",siteType=type)</pre>
lakeSites <- whatWQPdata(siteType = "Lake, Reservoir, Impoundment", statecode = "US:55")</pre>
```

whatWQPsamples

Site Data Import from Water Quality Portal

#### **Description**

Returns a list of sites from the Water Quality Portal web service. This function gets the data from: https://www.waterqualitydata.us. Arguments to the function should be based on https:// www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices\_documentation. The return from this function returns the basic metadata on WQP sites. It is generally faster than the whatWQPdata function, but does not return information on what data was collected at the site.

## Usage

```
whatWQPsamples(...)
whatWQPmetrics(...)
whatWQPsites(...)
readWQPsummary(...)
```

#### **Arguments**

see https://www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices\_documentation for . . . a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied.

#### **Details**

The readWQPsummary function has

#### Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name Type Description OrganizationIdentifier A designator used to uniquely identify a unique busine character The legal designator (i.e. formal name) of an organizat OrganizationFormalName character MonitoringLocationIdentifier

character A designator used to describe the unique name, numbe what WQP samples 57

MonitoringLocationName	character	The designator specified by the sampling organization
MonitoringLocationTypeName	character	The descriptive name for a type of monitoring location
MonitoringLocationDescriptionText	character	Text description of the monitoring location.
HUCEightDigitCode	character	The 8 digit federal code used to identify the hydrologic
DrainageAreaMeasure/MeasureValue *	character	The drainage basin of a lake, stream, wetland, or estuar
DrainageAreaMeasure/MeasureUnitCode *	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iter
ContributingDrainageAreaMeasure/MeasureValue *	character	The contributing drainage area of a lake, stream, wetlan
ContributingDrainageAreaMeasure/MeasureUnitCode *	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iter
LatitudeMeasure	numeric	The measure of the angular distance on a meridian nor
LongitudeMeasure	numeric	The measure of the angular distance on a meridian east
SourceMapScaleNumeric	character	The number that represents the proportional distance or
HorizontalAccuracyMeasure/MeasureValue *	character	The horizontal measure of the relative accuracy of the l
HorizontalAccuracyMeasure/MeasureUnitCode *	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iter
HorizontalCollectionMethodName	character	The name that identifies the method used to determine
HorizontalCoordinateReferenceSystemDatumName	character	The name that describes the reference datum used in de
VerticalMeasure/MeasureValue	character	The measure of elevation (i.e., the altitude), above or b
VerticalMeasure/MeasureUnitCode	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iter
VerticalAccuracyMeasure/MeasureValue *	character	The vertical measure of the relative accuracy of the lati
VerticalAccuracyMeasure/MeasureUnitCode *	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iter
VerticalCollectionMethodName	character	The name that identifies the method used to collect the
VerticalCoordinateReferenceSystemDatumName	character	The name of the reference datum used to determine the
CountryCode	character	A code designator used to identify a primary geopolitic
StateCode	character	A code designator used to identify a principal administ
CountyCode	character	A code designator used to identify a U.S. county or cou
AquiferName *	character	Name of the aquifer in which the well is completed.
FormationTypeText *	character	Name of the primary formation or soils unit, in which t
AquiferTypeName *	character	The type of aquifer, such as confined or unconfined.
ConstructionDateText *	character	Date of construction when well was completed. May b
WellDepthMeasure/MeasureValue *	character	Depth below land surface datum (LSD) to the bottom of
WellDepthMeasure/MeasureUnitCode *	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iter
WellHoleDepthMeasure/MeasureValue *	character	Depth below land surface datum (LSD) to the bottom of
WellHoleDepthMeasure/MeasureUnitCode *	character	The code that represents the unit for measuring the iter
queryTime	POSIXct	Query time

<sup>\*</sup> element is only in NWIS

# See Also

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```
site1 <- whatWQPsamples(siteid="USGS-01594440")

type <- "Stream"
sites <- whatWQPsamples(countycode="US:55:025",siteType=type)</pre>
```

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zeroPad

Pad string with leading zeros

# Description

Function to pad a string with leading zeros. Useful for parameter codes and USGS site IDs.

# Usage

```
zeroPad(x, padTo)
```

# Arguments

x character

padTo number Final desired length of the character

#### Value

x character returned with leading zeros

```
pCode <- '10'
correctPCode <- zeroPad(pCode,5)
pCodes <- c('100','1000','0','12345','1565465465465465')
correctPCodes <- zeroPad(pCodes,5)
pCodeNA <- c(1,2,NA)
padPCodeNA <- zeroPad(pCodeNA,4)</pre>
```

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