

# Data Citation: APA Style

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## APA Citation Elements

The APA Style Guide provides examples on how to cite datasets. They use the following elements to cite data.

- **Author**: Name(s) of each individual or organizational entity responsible for the creation of the dataset.
- **Date of Publication**: Year the dataset was published or disseminated.
- **Title**: Complete title of the dataset, including the edition or version number, if applicable.
- **Publisher and/or Distributor**: Organizational entity that makes the dataset available by archiving, producing, publishing, and/or distributing the dataset.
- **Resource Type**: The [APA Style Guide Website recommends](#) including the type, typically phrased as “data set.”
- **Electronic Location or Identifier**: The web address or unique, persistent, global identifier used to locate the dataset (such as a DOI).

## Example of Citing Datasets in APA

The following citation is based on [specific examples](#) provided by APA on how to cite data sets. In addition to these recommendations, the publisher has been added to make the citation more complete.

