

# Package ‘openesm’

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**Title** Access the Open Experience Sampling Method Database

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**Description** Provides programmatic access to the Open Experience Sampling Method ('openESM') database (<<https://openesmdata.org>>), a collection of harmonized experience sampling datasets. The package enables researchers to discover, download, and work with the datasets while ensuring proper citation and license compliance.

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cache_info	<i>Display information about the openesm cache</i>
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**Description**

Shows the location and total size of the local file cache.

**Usage**

```
cache_info()
```

**Value**

Invisibly returns NULL.

**Examples**

```
# view cache information
cache_info()
```

cite	<i>Citation information for openESM datasets</i>
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**Description**

Citation information for openESM datasets

**Usage**

```
cite(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- x An object of class `openesm_dataset`.
- ... Additional arguments passed to methods

**Value**

Citation information for the dataset(s)

**Examples**

```
# Get citation for a dataset
dataset <- get_dataset("0001")
cite(dataset)
```

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cite.openesm\_dataset *Get citation information for dataset*

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**Description**

Get citation information for dataset

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'openesm_dataset'
cite(x, format = "bibtex", ...)
```

**Arguments**

- x An object of class openesm\_dataset.
- format Character string specifying citation format. Currently only "bibtex" is supported.
- ... Additional arguments (currently unused).

**Value**

Character string with citation information, returned invisibly.

**Examples**

```
dataset <- get_dataset("0001")
cite(dataset)
```

<code>clear_cache</code>	<i>Clear the openesm cache</i>
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### Description

Removes all cached openesm data from your local machine.

### Usage

```
clear_cache(force = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

<code>force</code>	Logical. If TRUE, will not ask for confirmation before deleting. Default is FALSE.
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### Value

Invisibly returns NULL.

### Examples

```
# clear cache with confirmation prompt
if(interactive()) {
  clear_cache()
}

# force clear without confirmation
clear_cache(force = TRUE)
```

<code>get_dataset</code>	<i>Download ESM dataset(s) from openESM repository</i>
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### Description

Downloads one or more Experience Sampling Method (ESM) datasets from the openESM repository hosted on Zenodo. Returns an S3 object containing the dataset and associated metadata.

### Usage

```
get_dataset(
  dataset_id,
  version = "latest",
  cache = TRUE,
  path = NULL,
  force_download = FALSE,
```

```
    sandbox = FALSE,  
    quiet = FALSE,  
    max_attempts = 15,  
    ...  
)
```

## Arguments

dataset_id	Character string or vector of dataset IDs. Use <a href="#">list_datasets()</a> to see available datasets.
version	Character string specifying the dataset version. Default is "latest" which downloads the most recent version.
cache	Logical. If TRUE (default), uses cached version if available and not expired.
path	Character string specifying custom download path. If NULL (default), files are cached in the user's cache directory.
force_download	Logical. If TRUE, forces re-download even if cached version exists. Default is FALSE.
sandbox	Logical. If TRUE, uses Zenodo sandbox environment for testing. Default is FALSE.
quiet	Logical. If TRUE, suppresses informational messages. Default is FALSE.
max_attempts	Integer, maximum number of retry attempts for Zenodo API calls. Default is 15.
...	Additional arguments passed to <a href="#">list_datasets()</a> . This includes metadata_version to specify the metadata catalog version.

## Details

This function downloads ESM datasets from Zenodo using DOIs stored in the openESM metadata repository. Datasets are cached locally to avoid repeated downloads. Use `force_download = TRUE` to refresh cached data.

The function handles both individual datasets and batch downloads. When downloading multiple datasets, progress is shown for each download.

## Value

For single dataset: An S3 object of class `openesm_dataset` containing:

- `data`: A tibble with the ESM data
- `metadata`: List with dataset metadata
- `dataset_id`: Character string with dataset identifier
- `dataset_version`: Character string with dataset version number
- `metadata_version`: Character string with metadata catalog version

For multiple datasets: An S3 object of class `openesm_dataset_list` containing a named list of `openesm_dataset` objects.

**See Also**

[list\\_datasets\(\)](#) for available datasets, [cite\(\)](#) for citation information

**Examples**

```
# List available datasets first
available <- list_datasets()
head(available)

# Download a single dataset
dataset <- get_dataset("0001")

# Access the data
head(dataset$data)

# View metadata and provenance information
dataset$metadata
dataset$dataset_version # Dataset version
dataset$metadata_version # Metadata catalog version

# Download multiple datasets
datasets <- get_dataset(c("0001", "0002"))

# Access individual datasets from the list
datasets[["0001"]]$data

# Use specific metadata catalog version
dataset_v1 <- get_dataset("0001", metadata_version = "1.0.0")

# Force re-download to get latest version
dataset_fresh <- get_dataset("0001", force_download = TRUE)
```

**list\_datasets**

*List available ESM datasets from openESM repository*

**Description**

Retrieves a list of available Experience Sampling Method (ESM) datasets from the openESM metadata repository. Returns a tibble with dataset information and metadata that can be used with [get\\_dataset\(\)](#).

**Usage**

```
list_datasets(cache_hours = 24, metadata_version = "latest", max_attempts = 15)
```

## Arguments

cache_hours	Numeric. Number of hours to consider the cached dataset index valid. Default is 24. Set to 0 to force fresh download.
metadata_version	Character string specifying the metadata catalog version. Default is "latest" which downloads the most recent version.
max_attempts	Integer, maximum number of retry attempts for Zenodo API calls. Default is 15.

## Details

This function downloads and caches a master index of available datasets from the openESM metadata repository, which is hosted on Zenodo. The index is cached locally to avoid repeated downloads. Use `cache_hours = 0` to force a fresh download of the index.

The returned tibble can be filtered and explored to identify datasets of interest before downloading with [get\\_dataset\(\)](#).

## Value

A tibble with one row per dataset containing:

- `dataset_id`: Character string with unique dataset identifier
- `first_author`: Character string with first author's surname
- `year`: Numeric year of publication
- `reference_a`: Character string with primary reference
- `reference_b`: Character string with secondary reference (if available)
- `paper_doi`: Character string with publication DOI
- `zenodo_doi`: Character string with Zenodo dataset DOI
- `license`: Character string with dataset license
- `link_to_data`: Character string with direct data link
- `link_to_codebook`: Character string with codebook link
- `link_to_code`: Character string with analysis code link
- `n_participants`: Numeric number of participants
- `n_time_points`: Numeric number of time points
- `n_beeps_per_day`: Character string with beeps per day information
- `passive_data_available`: Character string indicating passive data availability
- `cross_sectional_available`: Character string indicating cross-sectional data availability
- `topics`: Character string with study topics
- `implicit_missingness`: Character string with missingness information
- `raw_time_stamp`: Character string with timestamp format information
- `sampling_scheme`: Character string with sampling scheme details
- `participants`: Character string with participant information
- `coding_file`: Character string with coding file information
- `additional_comments`: Character string with additional notes
- `features`: List column containing feature tibbles for each dataset

**See Also**

[get\\_dataset\(\)](#) to download specific datasets

**Examples**

```
# Get list of all available datasets
datasets <- list_datasets()

# Force fresh download of index
fresh_list <- list_datasets(cache_hours = 0)

# Use specific metadata version
datasets_v1 <- list_datasets(metadata_version = "1.0.0")

# Use dataset IDs with get_dataset()
dataset <- get_dataset(datasets$dataset_id[1])
```

notes

*Additional notes for openESM datasets***Description**

Additional notes for openESM datasets

**Usage**

```
notes(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- x An object of class `openesm_dataset`.
- ... Additional arguments passed to methods

**Value**

Additional notes and information about the dataset(s)

**Examples**

```
# Get notes for a dataset
dataset <- get_dataset("0001")
notes(dataset)
```

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notes.openesm\_dataset *Get additional notes for dataset*

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### Description

Get additional notes for dataset

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'openesm_dataset'  
notes(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

x	An object of class openesm_dataset.
...	Additional arguments (currently unused).

### Value

Character vector with dataset notes, returned invisibly.

### Examples

```
dataset <- get_dataset("0001")  
notes(dataset)
```

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print.openesm\_dataset *S3 Methods for openesm objects Print method for openesm\_dataset*

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### Description

S3 Methods for openesm objects Print method for openesm\_dataset

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'openesm_dataset'  
print(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

x	An object of class openesm_dataset.
...	Additional arguments (currently unused).

**Value**

Invisibly returns the original object.

**Examples**

```
dataset <- get_dataset("0001")
print(dataset)
```

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```
print.openesm_dataset_list
```

*Print method for a list of openesm\_dataset objects*

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**Description**

Print method for a list of openesm\_dataset objects

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'openesm_dataset_list'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class openesm_dataset_list.
...	Additional arguments (currently unused).

**Value**

Invisibly returns the original object.

**Examples**

```
datasets <- get_dataset(c("0001", "0002"))
print(datasets)
```

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