

2016 Esri Education GIS Conference

GIS at NC State University



NCSU Center for Geospatial Analytics

42 GIS Faculty & 11 Affiliates, 157 Grad Students

500+ Enrollments in GIS courses per academic year (200 each semester in *Intro. to GIST*)

Masters GIST, Minors, Cert., PhD in development



NCSU Libraries Geospatial Data Services



5 total GIS and Visualization workstations at Hill and Hunt Libraries

1 Data Services Librarian, within Reference & Information Services

Libraries' GIS Data Services History

Mid 90's - received a lot of local and state

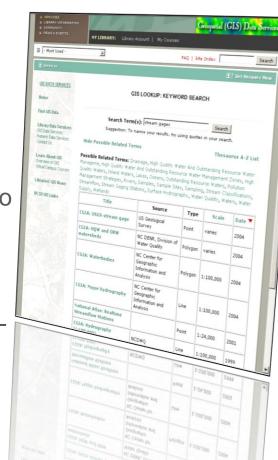
data on CDs

Late 90's - "GIS Lookup" catalog developed using Access database and perl scripts

Mid 2000's - Transitioned GIS Lookup to dynamic catalog with MySQL/php

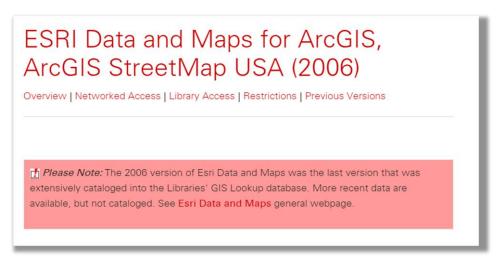
Developed batch XML parsing tool to import XML metadata fields into MySQL

Most popular: Esri Data and Maps (delivered on DVDs) and NC OneMap datasets



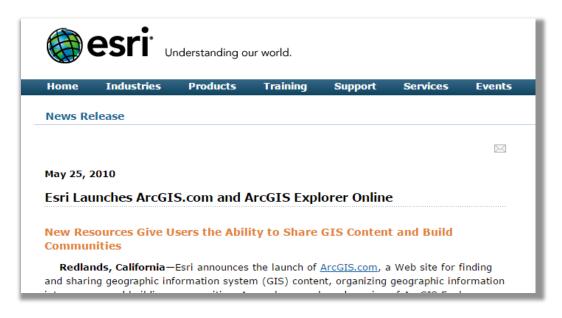
GIS Lookup - getting behind

2007 - my son born. No more leisure time for cataloging. GIS Lookup started getting behind.



https://www.lib.ncsu.edu/qis/esri2006.html

Esri Data & Maps via ArcGIS Online



Inspiration!



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The Puzzle

Challenges:

- Only 1 GIS Librarian/cataloger (me)
- Late 2000's budget cuts ("do more with less")
- Time costs for linking and cataloging > Value

Numerous, widely distributed data silos

- · data are already cataloged
- stable and free download access
- why duplicate work?
- how to point people in the right direction?

Needed: a custom data search aggregator



Solution: External Data Sources results window



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Learn About GIS

Overview of GIS Virtual Campus Courses GIS at NCSU

> Can't find data you're looking for? <u>Contact</u> a Data Services Librarian for help.

GIS Lookup: Keyword Search





NCSU DATA COLLECTION

| w View | Possible Related Terms

Legacy denotes outdated data. A more recent version likely exists. Consider an "External Data Source" option linked above, or click the Collection link for updated source options.

Title	Date	Collection	Extent	Scale	MD
ArcData Online TIGER 95: Streets Legacy	1995	TIGER 95	United States	1:100,000	meta data
Dynamag/2000: Streets Legacy	1999	Dynamag/2000	North Carolina	1:100,000	
Wake County: Street Centerlines Legacy	2001	Wake County GIS	Wake County, North Carolina	1:4,000	meta data
Wessex Streets 4.0: Streets Legacy	1995	TIGER 95	United States	1:100,000	meta data
Wessex Streets 4.0: Railroads (County-level) Legacy	1995	TIGER 95	United States	1:100,000	meta data
Wessex Streets 4.0: Water	1995	TIGER 95	United States	1:100.000	meta

External Data Sources

Search for streets - The top results (relevance sort) are listed below:



14 Results beginning with...

- Primary and Secondary Routes, 1st Quarter 2015 NC Department of Transportation
- Primary and Secondary Road Arcs, 1st Quarter 2015 NC Department of Transportation
- · Road Characteristics, 1st Quarter 2015 NC Department of Transportation



22141 Results beginning with...

- Streets
- · World Street Map
- Streets

Links to search results on each site using query string



2027 Results beginning with...

- TIGER/Line Shapefile, 2014, Series Information for the All Roads County-based Shapefile
- Great Chile Earthquake of May 22, 1960 Anniversary Edition
- TIGER Roads 2015



131 Results beginning with...

- . USGS DRG Topo Street, MS-LA
- OpenStreetMap Planet
- Neighborhoods: Asia

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function portal(Stype, Saddr, Sdirl, Ssite, Squery, Sfocus, Surl) {
//Number of titles to display
$numTitles = 3:
$ch = curl init();
//READ THE FEED
if ($type == "rest") {
    $chURL = "$addr$dir1/rest/distributed?rid=$site&start=1&max=$numTitles&orderBy=relevance&searchText=$qu
} elseif ($tvpe == "weo") {
    $chURL = "$addr/search.xml?per page=$numTitles&use facets=false&query=$query";
} elseif ($type == "json") {
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 //echo $chURL; //to debug
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 curl setopt ($ch, CURLOPT RETURNTRANSFER, 1);
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   $data = curl exec($ch);
   curl close ($ch);
//REPORT THE NUMBER
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if ($type == "weo") {
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if ($tvpe == "json") {
        $obj = json decode($data, true);
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}
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function

//BEGIN FUNCTION - searches the different data sites

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//NC OneMap

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REST/ GeoRSS (NC OneMap, ArcGIS.com)

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Data.gov - json

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Trimble Market



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Benefits

Expose multiple data collections / sources

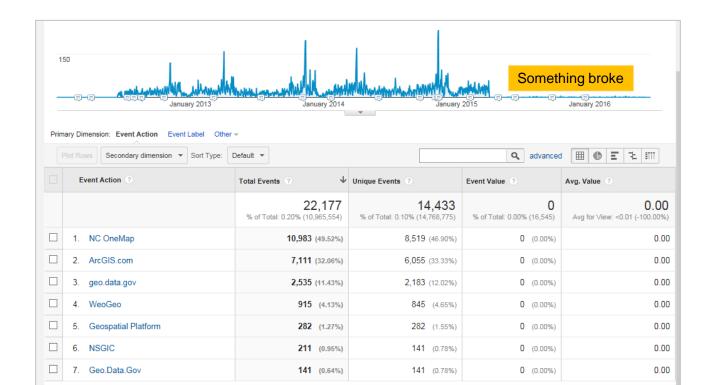
95% cut in time spent cataloging

100% cut in stress over cataloging



Google Analytics

37,748 initial searches. Subsequent searches are tracked by the URL of the last search.



Problems & Concerns

ArcGIS.com connection depends on a "sandbox" – gptogc.esri.com

screen scraping may be a possibility if it goes away

Would be nice if ArcGIS.com individual dataset displays could provide more metadata (especially Dates)

"Relevance" sorting of search results are not reliable

Lack of error handling in the php code

Feedback and Suggestions

Are there any other similar services out there?

Ideas for improvement?

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