



# DDI Tags

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- Why are we here?
  - Some of the questions
  - Some possible solutions
  - Need for input and discussion



# Tag working group

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# DDI Parts

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- Section 1 – Document Description
- Section 2 – Study Description
- Section 3 – Data File Description
- Section 4 – Variables Description
- Section 5 – Other Study-related Material



# Questions for the Group

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- Sharing the metadata xml files
- What sections of DDI should be included in the exchange?
- All five sections?
- Select sections?



# How do we choose the tags?

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- Preliminary set put together by U of Guelph in consultation with DLI staff
- Carleton, Guelph, DLI team using same set of tags
- Revision 4 has just been distributed to CANDDI tag team
- Work in progress



# How do we fill the tags?

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- DDI document occasionally vague
- Dublin Core tags –mandatory
- Do we fill these tags using examples from DDI document?
- Do we follow cataloguing rules?



# Example – Study title

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- Examples from DDI documentation:
- `<titl> 2.1.1.1 Title`
  - `<titl>Domestic Violence Experience in Omaha, Nebraska, 1986-1987</titl>`
  - `<titl>Census of Population, 1950 [United States]: Public Use Microdata Sample</titl>`
  - `<titl>Monitoring the Future: A Continuing Study of American Youth, 1995</titl>`



# How would a cataloguer do it?

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- <titl>Domestic violence experience in Omaha, Nebraska, 1986-1987</titl>
- <titl>Census of population, 1950 [United States]: Public use microdata sample</titl>
- <titl>Monitoring the future: A continuing study of American youth, 1995</titl>





# Balance

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- Between structure of DDI and need to co-ordinate with cataloguing rules



# How do we decide ...

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- What is the right way to fill a tag for our needs
- Some tags require consensus on how they should be filled



# Example

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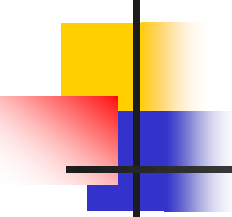
- <IDNo> 2.1.1.5
- *Description:* Unique string or number (producer's or archive's number) for the data collection. An "agency" attribute is supplied.




# Choices – StatCan data

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- Bibliocat – pre-2000 surveys
- Statcan catalogue
- SDDS survey number in IMDB



**Title** : Survey of Household Spending [electronic resource] : public use microdata file. 

**Other titles** : Spending patterns in Canada.  
Detailed average household expenditure for Canada, provinces/territories and selected metropolitan areas. (62F0031)  
Detailed average household expenditure by household income quintile for Canada and province. (62F0032)  
Detailed average household expenditure by housing tenure for Canada. (62F0033)  
Detailed average household expenditure by household type for Canada. (62F0034)  
Detailed average household expenditure by size of area of residence for Canada. (62F0035)  
Dwelling characteristics and household equipment for Canada, provinces/territories and selected metropolitan areas. (62F0041)  
Dwelling characteristics and household equipment by income quintile for Canada. (62F0042)  
Dwelling characteristics and household equipment by housing tenure for Canada. (62F0043)  
Dwelling characteristics and household equipment by household type for Canada. (62F0044)  
Dwelling characteristics and household equipment by size of area of residence for Canada. (62F0045)  
Standard tables from Survey of Household Spending.  
User guide for the Survey of Household Spending, 2003.  
SHS

**Numbering** : 1997-

**Publisher** : [Ottawa] : [Statistics Canada, \[\\*3878 rec.\]](#) 1999-

**Description** : Computer data.

**Frequency** : Annual.

## Survey of Household Spending - Public-use microdata file

### Product main page

The public-use microdata file for the Survey of Household Spending provides detailed information on household expenditures, dwelling characteristics, and ownership of household equipment such as appliances, communications and entertainment equipment, and vehicles.

### Information by format

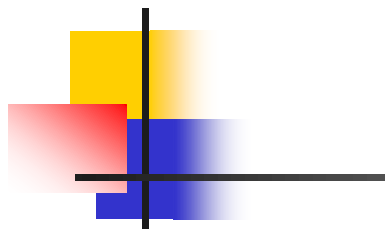
([B] = Bilingual; [see "Bilingual products" below](#).)

#### CD-ROM [B]

<b>Product:</b>	Survey of Household Spending - Public-use microdata file		
<b>Catalogue no.:</b>	62M0004XCB		
<b>Frequency:</b>	Annual		
<b>Status:</b>	Ongoing/Available		
<b>Latest issue:</b>	2003	\$3,210.00	<a href="#">▶ Order</a>
<b>Release date:</b>	May 27, 2005		<a href="#">▶ More</a>



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## Survey of Household Spending

**Status:** Active  
**Frequency:** Annual  
**Record number:** 3508

The main purpose of the survey is to obtain detailed information about household spending during the reference year (previous calendar year). Information is also collected about dwelling characteristics as well as household equipment, as of December 31 of the reference year.

### Detailed information for 2003

**Data release** – December 13, 2004

- [Questionnaire\(s\) and reporting guide\(s\) \(in PDF format\)](#)
- [Description](#)
- [Data sources and methodology](#)
- [Data accuracy](#)





# We need to talk...

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- How do we decide as a group what we want
- How do we articulate our reasons for making the decision





# Which choice is right for us?

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- `<IDNo>62M0004</IDNo>`
- `<IDNo>62M0004XCB</IDNo>`
- `<IDNo>3508</IDNo>`



# Another decision, same tag

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- Year must be added after IDNo to distinguish files
  - `<IDNo>3508-2000</IDNo>`
  - What is appropriate separator?
  - `- , / : ;`
  - Will any cause problems later on?



# Other study-related material

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- 2.5 <othrStyMat>
  - Other Study Description Materials
- 5.0 <othrMat>
  - Other Study-related Materials



## 2.5 <othrStyMat>

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- may include: appendices, sampling information, weighting details, methodological and technical details, publications based upon the study content, related studies or collections of studies, etc



## 5.0 <otherMat>

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- may include: questionnaires, coding notes, SPSS/SAS/Stata setup files (and others), user manuals, continuity guides, sample computer software programs, glossaries of terms, interviewer/project instructions, maps, database schema, data dictionaries, show cards, coding information, interview schedules, missing values information, frequency files, variable maps, etc



# How do we identify them?

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- By catalogue number
- What if they are on-line publications
- Link to pdf? Link to dsp site?
- Link to StatCan catalogue page
- Link to them in our own collection



# Collaboration

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- 4 people cannot make all these decisions alone
- Tag committee needs to ask for and to receive input to gain consensus