

# Historical data

## Definition

Historical data is [data](#) that describes a situation in the past.

## Notes

- Historical data should not be altered except to correct an error.
- Purpose of historical data can be reporting or analysis.

## Examples

- Point in time reports.
- Database snapshots.
- Previous versions of a [dataset](#).

## Relations

Historical data is child of [data category](#)

## Reference

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