



Introduction to DDI and Colectica

Colectica Workshop at EDDI 2014 - London

Agenda: Day 1

Morning

9:00	Introduction to Metadata, DDI and Colectica
10:00	The DDI Information Model
10:30	Break
11:00	In-depth with DDI: Surveys
11:30	In-depth with DDI: Data
12:00	In-depth with DDI: Study Lifecycle
12:30	Lunch

Afternoon

12:30	Lunch
13:30	Metadata publication and versioning
14:15	Processing structured metadata
15:00	Break
15:30	In-depth metadata scenarios and Q & A
16:45	Recap
17:00	The End
18:00	Informal Get-Together Princess Louise, 208 High Holborn, London WC1V 7EP



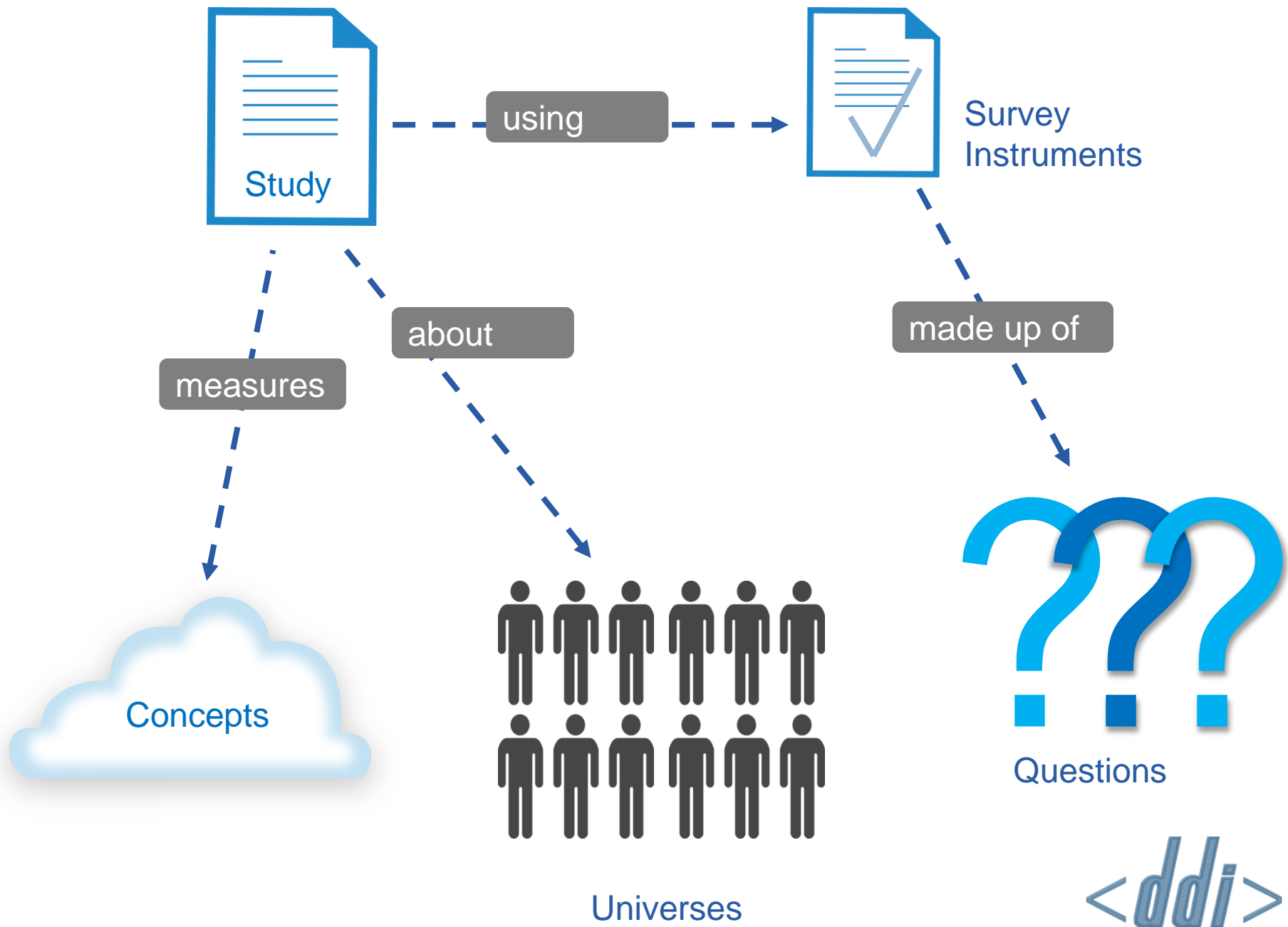
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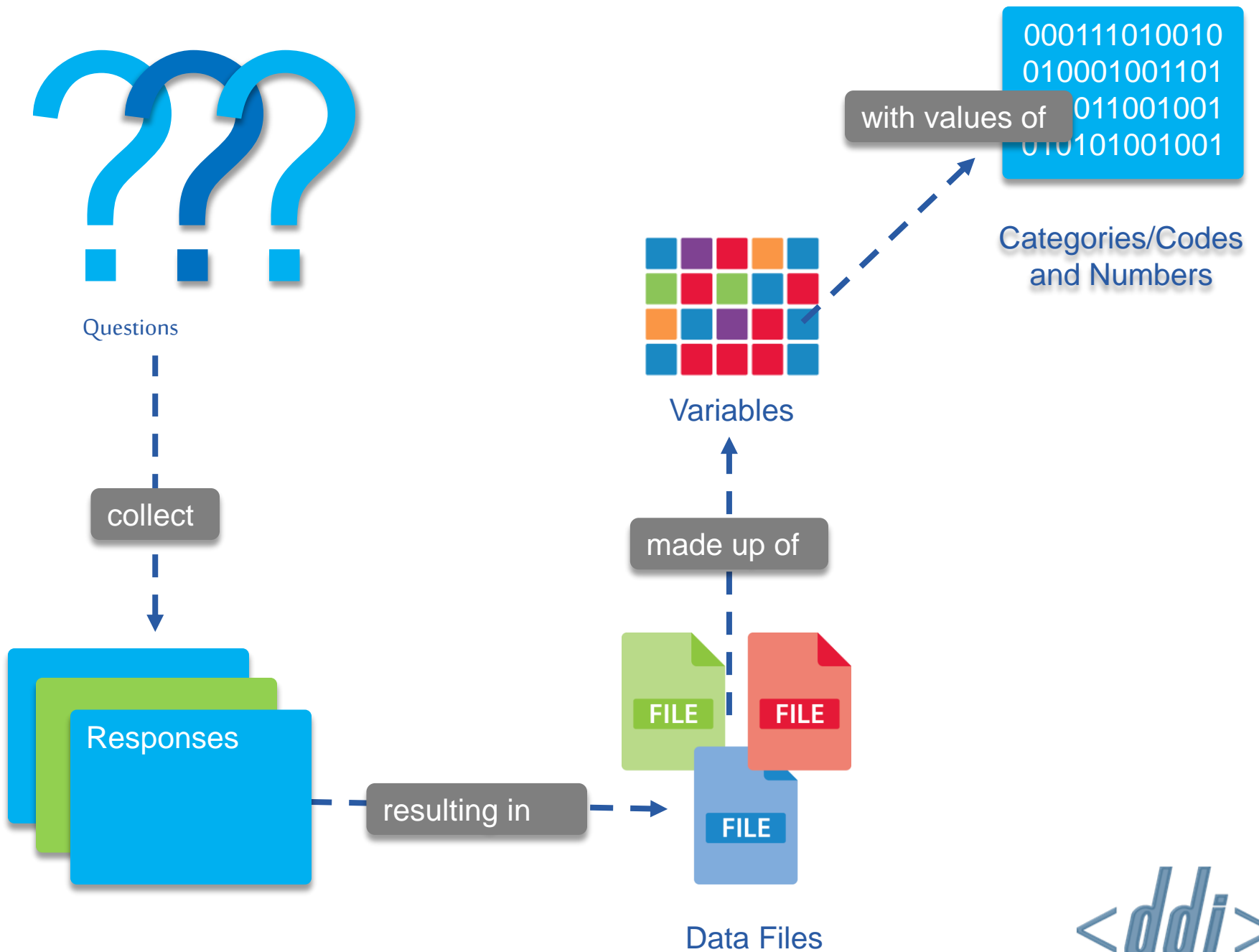
- What information can I document with DDI?
- How do I make DDI XML?
- What can I do with DDI?



Introduction to DDI

<ddi>





DDI provides a vocabulary for this

Main Content in DDI

- Study Lifecycle
- Surveys
- Data



Data Documentation Initiative

- Open standard for describing data
 - ▣ Focus on social, behavioral, and economic sciences
 - ▣ XML
- Users
 - ▣ National Statistical Institutes
 - ▣ University Research Groups
 - ▣ Data Archives
 - ▣ Other Data Producers and Publishers
- Since 1995





Real-world Examples



FIELDS

```
Name      "What is your name?": STRING[20]
Sex        "What is your sex?": (Male, Female)
Age        "What is your age (in years)?": 0..120
MarStat    "What is your marital status?":
  (NeverMar  "Never married",
   Married   "Married",
   Divorced  "Divorced",
   Widowed   "Widowed")
PaidJob    "Do you have a paid job?": (Yes, No)
KindWork   "What kind of work do you do?": STRING[40]
Distance   "What is the distance to your work (in km)?": 0..300
Travel     "How do you travel to work?": SET [3] OF
```

Questions

Categories

TextDomain

NumericDomain



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Population in Denmark

Population forecasts

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Births and adoptions

Deaths and life expectancy

Households, families and children

Marriages and divorces

Migrations

Names

POPULATION IN DENMARK

Variable

Key Figures

POPULATION AT THE FIRST DAY OF THE QUARTER

Time: 2013Q2 | Unit: Number

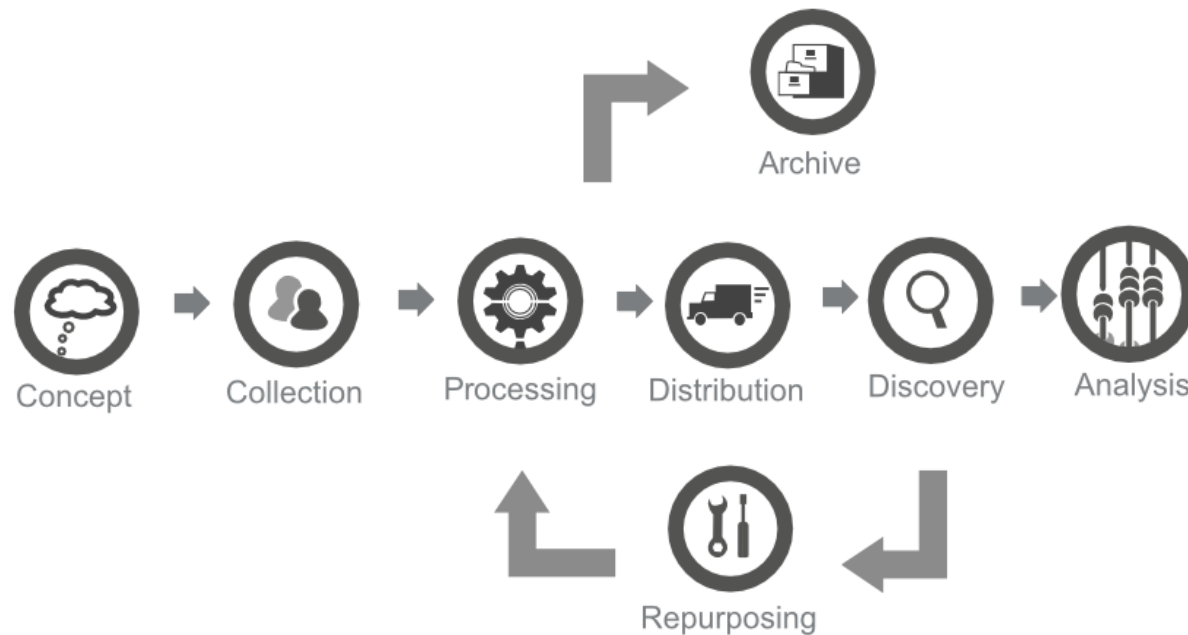
Categories

Summary Statistics

	Males	Females	Total
Total	2 180 576	2 825 260	5 605 836
0-9 years	328 422	312 500	640 922
10-19 years	354 242	337 050	691 292
20-29 years	348 907	338 939	687 846
30-39 years	348 614	347 209	695 823
40-49 years	411 408	403 416	814 824
50-59 years	365 489	363 646	729 135
60-69 years	342 568	352 122	694 690
70-79 years	195 802	223 620	419 422
80-89 years	74 692	116 781	191 473
90-99 years	10 275	29 163	39 438
100 years and more	157	814	971

Why DDI?

- Document the full data lifecycle in a standard manner



Why DDI?

- Reusable metadata definitions
- No copy and paste
- Just point to an item
- Including metadata by reference helps avoid error and confusion
- Reuse is explicit



Metadata Banks

- DDI 3 supports the concept of metadata registries
 - ▣ Question banks
 - ▣ Variable banks
 - ▣ Code lists, concept definitions, or anything else



Metadata-driven Processes

- Generate documentation (Colectica, XSLT, more)
 - ▣ PDF
 - ▣ Web
- Populate survey systems (from Colectica)
 - ▣ Out of the box: Blaise, CASES, CSPro, RedCAP, queXML
 - ▣ Custom systems: possible with addins



Multilingual Support

- Most text fields can specify what language the content is in
- These fields can be repeated to represent multiple languages



Colectica Overview

Standards-based metadata management

Survey design

Data documentation

Study lifecycle documentation

The Colectica Platform

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Colectica Designer

- Create, ingest, manage, and edit metadata
- Usable DDI 3 for end-users

Colectica Repository

- Centralized, authoritative, metadata store built on DDI 3, ISO 11179, and Web Service standards

Colectica Portal

- Search and browse metadata from Colectica Repository



The Colectica Platform

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Colectica SDK

- Allows programmers to work with DDI 3 and interact with Colectica Repository

Colectica Toolkit

- Command line utilities to perform specific tasks



How to create DDI metadata

- Manually enter information
- Import (Colectica or Stat/Transfer)
 - Excel
 - Delimited Files
 - SPSS
 - Stata
 - Blaise
 - CASES
 - RedCAP
 - queXML
 - IBM Data Collection / SPSS Dimensions
 - CSPRo
- Integrate custom data sources





DDI Information Model

DDI at a Glance

Finding the Details



DDI at a Glance

Study



Group



StudyUnit



Quality

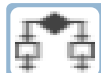
Survey



DataCollection



Instrument



ControlConstructs



Question

Data



PhysicalInstance



DataRelationship



Variable

Foundational



Concept



Universe



Organization



CodeList



CategoryList



Category





Finding the Details



Finding the Details

- Sources

- DDI Documentation

- Colectica (or other tools)

- XML Schemas



DDI Documentation




Available at <http://www.ddialliance.org/>







DDI in Colectica Reader and Designer

[Home](#) > [Checkouts](#) > [EDDI 2014](#)

EDDI 2014

 XML



```
<Fragment xmlns="ddi:instance:3_2">
  <StudyUnit isUniversallyUnique="true" versionDate="2014-11-21T17:46:12.814">
    <URN xmlns="ddi:reusable:3_2">urn:ddi:int.example:dca8de27-c534-4227-bd1
    <Agency xmlns="ddi:reusable:3_2">int.example</Agency>
    <ID xmlns="ddi:reusable:3_2">dca8de27-c534-4227-bdb4-84c54c6cf9f5</ID>
    <Version xmlns="ddi:reusable:3_2">1</Version>
    <Citation xmlns="ddi:reusable:3_2">
      <Title>
        <String xml:lang="en-US">EDDI 2014</String>
      </Title>
    </Citation>
    <Abstract xmlns="ddi:reusable:3_2">
      <Content xml:lang="en-US">Welcome to EDDI 2014.</Content>
    </Abstract>
  </StudyUnit>
</Fragment>
```



Common Patterns in DDI

- Identification
- Naming
- Packaging

Common Elements

- Identification
 - ▣ Agency ID
 - ▣ Identifier
 - ▣ Version number



Common Elements: Descriptive

- Either
 - ▣ Name
 - ▣ Label
 - ▣ Description
- Or
 - ▣ Citation/Title



DDI 3 Packaging

- **Fragment**
- OR: Modules + Schemes + Packages + Redundancy





Just Enough XML

Just Enough XML

- eXtensible Markup Language (XML)
- XML represents information
- XML is both human & machine readable



XML Elements

<Book>

<Title> ***The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy***

</Title>

<Author> Douglas Adams </Author>

<Year> 1979 </Year>

</Book>



XML Attributes

```
<Book language="English">  
  <Title> The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy </Title>  
  <Author> Douglas Adams </Author>  
  <Year> 1979 </Year>  
</Book>
```



XML-based Standards



- A standard can define a set of tags and rules for how to use them



Conflicting Tag Names

```
<MyData>
  <Table>
    <Legs>4</Legs>
    <Length units="feet">5</Length>
    <Width units="feet">3</Width>
  </Table>

  <Table>
    <Rows>4</Rows>
    <Columns>3</Columns>
  </Table>
</MyData>
```



<MyData

xmlns:kitchen="http://www.example.org/kitchen"
xmlns:data="http://www.example.org/data">

<kitchen:Table>

<Legs>4</Legs>

<Length units="feet">5</Length>

<Width units="feet">3</Width>

</kitchen:Table>

<data:Table>

<Rows>4</Rows>

<Columns>3</Columns>

</data:Table>

</MyData>

DDI Namespaces

Prefix	Namespace
[default] or ddi	ddi:instance:3_2
r	ddi:reusable:3_2
s	ddi:studyunit:3_2
g	ddi:group:3_2
c	ddi:conceptualcomponent:3_2
d	ddi:datacollection:3_2
l	ddi:logicalproduct:3_2
pi	ddi:physicalinstance:3_2

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Questions

- ☐ What is your name?
- ☐ How did you get here?



A Question in DDI

```
<d:QuestionItem>
```

```
  <r:Agency>example.org</r:Agency>
```

```
  <r:ID>q1</r:ID>
```

```
  <r:Version>1</r:Version>
```

```
  <d:QuestionItemName xml:lang="en">
```

```
    <r:String>name</r:String>
```

```
  </d:QuestionItemName>
```

```
  <d:QuestionText audienceLanguage="en">
```

```
    <d:LiteralText>
```

```
      <d:Text>What is your name?</d:Text>
```

```
    </d:LiteralText>
```

```
  </d:QuestionText>
```

```
  <d:TextDomain minLength="1"></d:TextDomain>
```

```
</d:QuestionItem>
```



A Question in DDI

```
<d:QuestionItem>
```

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```

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```
</d:QuestionItem>
```



Other Response Types

- Text
- Numeric
- DateTime
- Category
- Code
- Geographic



Question

- ☐ Does your organization currently use DDI for any purpose?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No



Instrument

B19.

[B1PB19] Are you married, separated, divorced, widowed, or never married?

1. MARRIED
2. SEPARATED
3. DIVORCED
4. WIDOWED
5. NEVER MARRIED
7. DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
8. REFUSED
9. INAPP

B20.

[B1PB20] How many times have you been married altogether?

- # TIMES MARRIED
97. DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE
 98. REFUSED
 99. INAPP

B21MO.

[B1PB21M] In what month and year were you married (for the first time)?

(MONTH)

- | | |
|--------------|-------------------------|
| 1. JANUARY | 10. OCTOBER |
| 2. FEBRUARY | 11. NOVEMBER |
| 3. MARCH | 12. DECEMBER |
| 4. APRIL | 97. DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE |
| 5. MAY | 97. REFUSED |
| 6. JUNE | 98. INAPP |
| 7. JULY | |
| 8. AUGUST | |
| 9. SEPTEMBER | |



Instrument

- Let's make a quick survey for the workshop



Control Constructs

The screenshot displays a form builder interface with three main sections: **Age**, **Action**, and two **Conditional** blocks. The **Age** section contains a text input field labeled "What is your age?" with a "Numeric" data type. The **Action** section is highlighted in blue and contains a **Conditional** block. This block has two branches: the first branch is for "Age >= 14" (3 items) and the second branch is for "((Age <> EMPTY) AND (Age < 14))" (1 item). The second **Conditional** block below it has two branches: "Job = Yes" (3 items) and "((Job <> EMPTY) AND (Job = No))" (1 item). Three orange callout boxes with arrows point to specific elements: "Question" points to the "What is your age?" label, "IfThen" points to the first branch of the first conditional, and "Sequence" points to the first branch of the second conditional.

Age

What is your age?

Numeric

Action

Conditional

- Age >= 14
3 items
- ((Age <> EMPTY) AND (Age < 14))
1 items

Conditional

- Job = Yes
3 items
- ((Job <> EMPTY) AND (Job = No))
1 items



ControlConstructs

- If the organization uses DDI, ask:
 - ▣ Which parts?
 - Survey
 - Data
 - Study Lifecycle
 - Other



In-depth: Data

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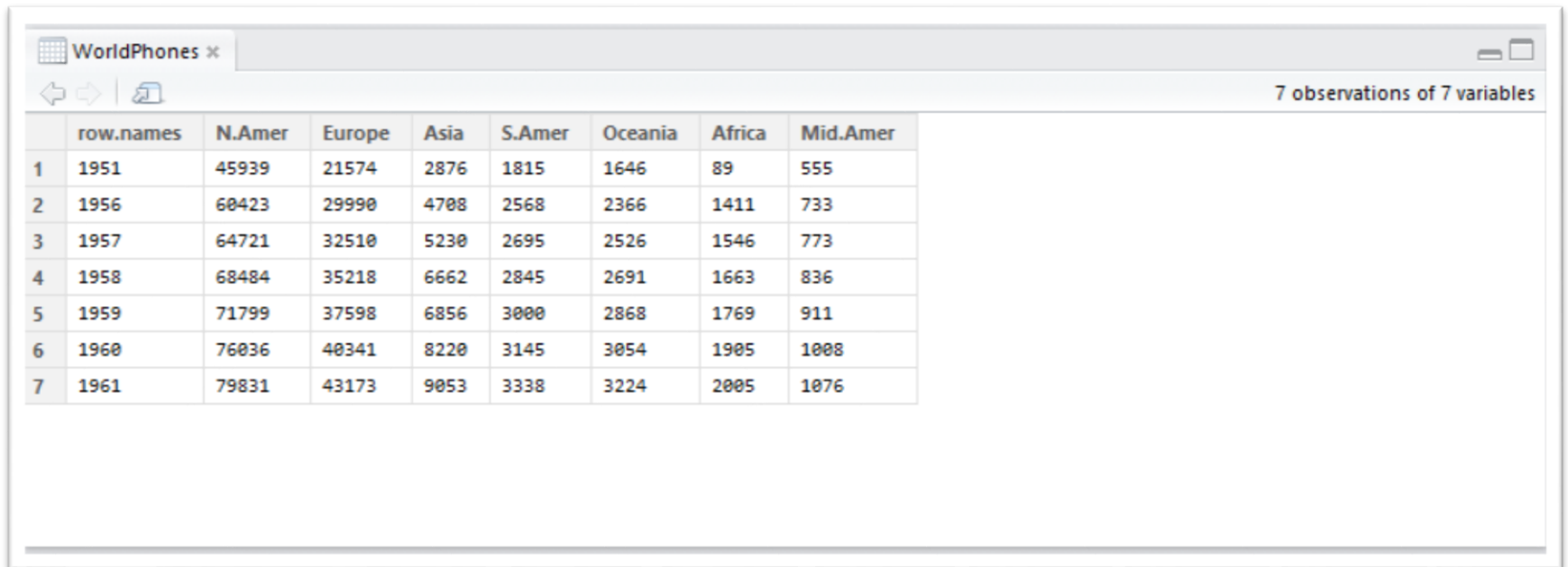
CategoryList



Category



PhysicalInstance (Dataset)



WorldPhones x

7 observations of 7 variables

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1	1951	45939	21574	2876	1815	1646	89	555
2	1956	60423	29990	4708	2568	2366	1411	733
3	1957	64721	32510	5230	2695	2526	1546	773
4	1958	68484	35218	6662	2845	2691	1663	836
5	1959	71799	37598	6856	3000	2868	1769	911
6	1960	76036	40341	8220	3145	3054	1905	1008
7	1961	79831	43173	9053	3338	3224	2005	1076



Variable

WorldPhones x

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Statistical Summary

WorldPhones x

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Console ~/

```
> summary(worldPhones[3])  
  Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   
 64720  64720   64720   64720  64720   64720   
> |
```



PhysicalInstance (Dataset)

- Let's download it



In-depth: Study Lifecycle

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Category



StudyUnit

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Calendar | A-Z Index

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Field Experiments Initiative

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Science Deserves Better: The Imperative to Share Complete Replication Files

AUTHOR(S): ⓘ Allan Dafoe

ISPS ID: ⓘ D108

RELATED PUBLICATIONS: Science Deserves Better: The Imperative to Share Complete Replication Files

KEYWORD(S): ⓘ Replication

RESEARCH DESIGN: ⓘ Observational

DATA TYPE: Survey; Administrative

DATA SOURCE(S): ⓘ Author.

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FIELD DATE: ⓘ December 1, 2013

LOCATION: United States

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StudyUnit

- EDDI 2014
 - A study of EDDI workshop attendees in London



Universe (Population)

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FIELD DATE:	② December 1, 2013
LOCATION:	United States
UNIT OF OBSERVATION:	② (1) scholars who attempted replications, (2) published articles
SAMPLE SIZE:	② (1) 190, (2) 342
INCLUSION/EXCLUSION:	② (1) Three groups of scholars were surveyed about their experiences attempting to replicate statistical studies: students from the author's PhD methods class, students from Gary King's PhD methods class, and subscribers to the Political Methodology listserve, (2) Data was collected on the availability of replication files for recent publications in the two top political science journals, the American Political Science Review (APSR) since 2010 and the American Journal of Political Science (AJPS) since 2009.

Universe



Universe (Population)

- People in this room, right now



Group (Series)



The screenshot displays the DataInfo+ interface for the Consumers Price Index. The header includes the Statistics New Zealand logo and the DataInfo+ title with the tagline 'Explore our metadata'. A navigation bar at the top right contains links for Home, Glossary, User guide, and Search. On the left, a sidebar lists various metadata categories for the Consumers Price Index, including Classifications (0), Concept Sets (1), Data Collections (1), Population Sets (1), Variable Groups (0), and Variable Sets (1). The main content area is titled 'Consumers Price Index' and features an 'Abstract' section with a brief description of the index. Below this, a 'Purpose' section provides detailed information about the index's measurement, its historical basis, and its use in monetary policy and wage negotiations. The 'Citation Information' section lists the title, alternate title, creator, publisher, and rights. The 'Coverage Information' section details the temporal and topical coverage of the data.

Statistics New Zealand
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Consumers Price Index

Abstract

The CPI measures the rate of price change of goods and services purchased by New Zealand households.

Purpose

The consumers price index (CPI) measures the changing price of a fixed basket of goods and services purchased by New Zealand households. The aim of the CPI is to measure price changes of the same sample of products at each outlet over time. When there is a change in the size or quality of any of the goods or services in the basket, an adjustment is made to ensure that the price change shown in the CPI is not affected by the change in size or quality.

The CPI represents \$88.9 billion spent on goods and services by New Zealand households, at June 2011 quarter prices. This is based on information from the 2009/10 Household Economic Survey and other sources.

The CPI is used to help set monetary policy and for monitoring economic performance. It is used by the government to adjust New Zealand Superannuation and unemployment benefit payments once a year, to help ensure that these payments maintain their purchasing power. Employers and employees use the CPI in wage negotiations.

The CPI is published quarterly. The food group is the only CPI group for which an index is published each month. This is known as the Food Price Index.

Citation Information

Title
Consumers Price Index

Alternate Title
CPI

Creator
Prices

Publisher
Statistics New Zealand

Rights
Statistics New Zealand

Coverage Information

Temporal Coverage

- 1914 to

Topical Coverage

- Price indexes
- Consumers Price Index (CPI)
- Food Price Index (FPI)



Group (Series)

- European DDI User Conference
 - ▣ EDDI 2012
 - ▣ EDDI 2013
 - ▣ EDDI 2014
 - ▣ EDDI 2015
 - ▣ EDDI 2016





Metadata Publication



Publish to PDF



Publish to a Repository



Publish to the Web

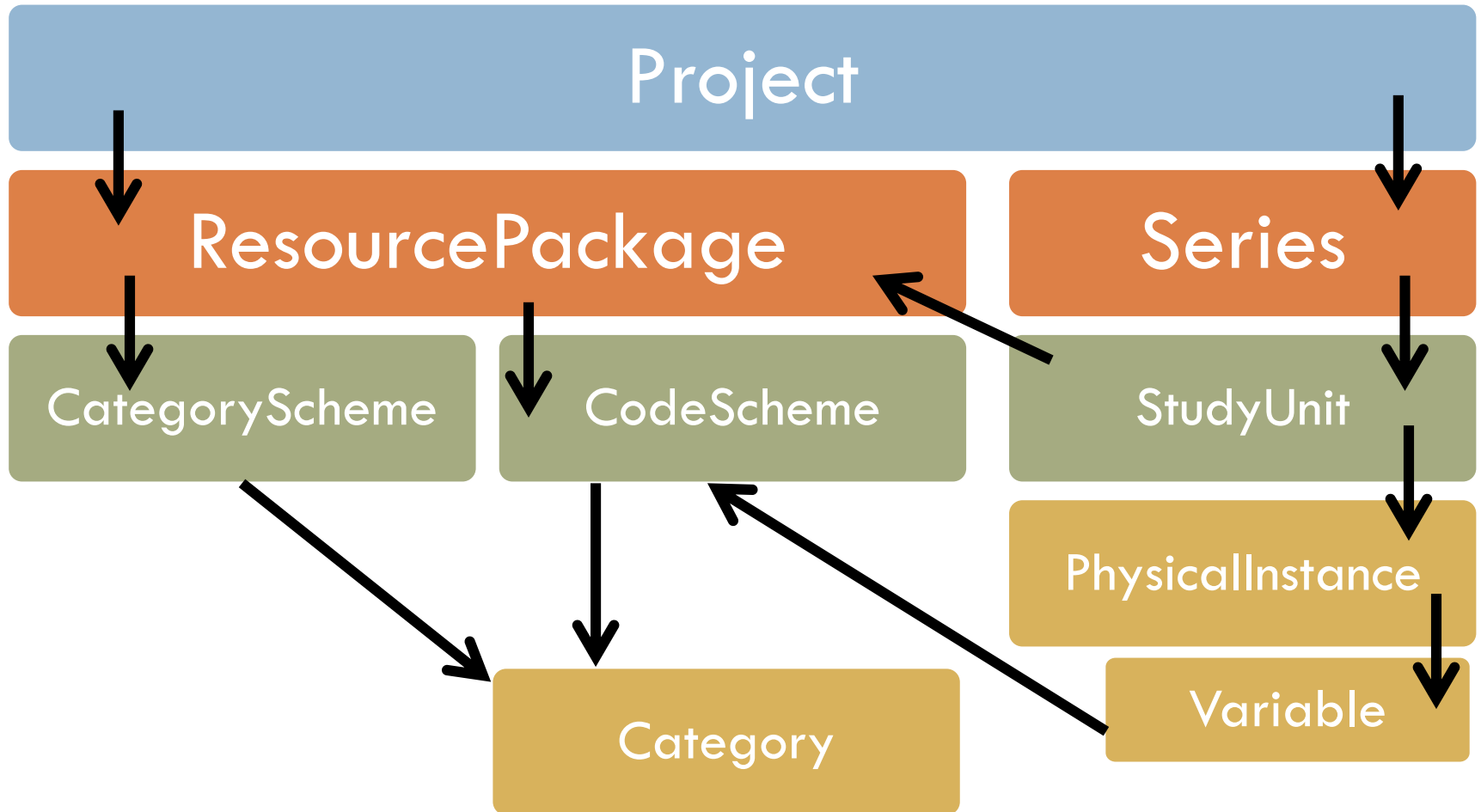




DDI Versioning



Version Propagation



**Colectica takes care of
this for you**



Processing Structured Metadata



Addin example

- Export survey instrument information to CSV for further processing or analysis





Use Cases and Q & A



Use Cases

- What are yours?



Colectica/DDI Users

- Official Statistics
 - ▣ Statistics New Zealand
 - ▣ INSEE
 - ▣ Statistics Denmark
- Long-term Longitudinal Studies
 - ▣ National Children's Study (NIH and BAH)
 - ▣ Midlife in the United States
 - ▣ Wisconsin Longitudinal Study
- Archives
 - ▣ UCLA Social Science Data Archive
 - ▣ Yale Institution for Social and Policy Studies



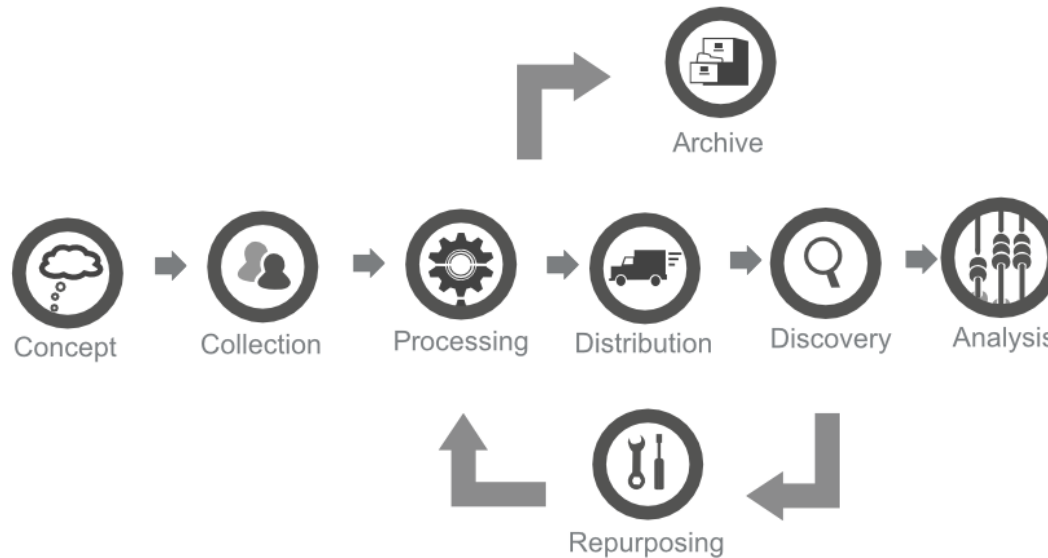
Statistics New Zealand



“Turning data into relevant knowledge, efficiently.”

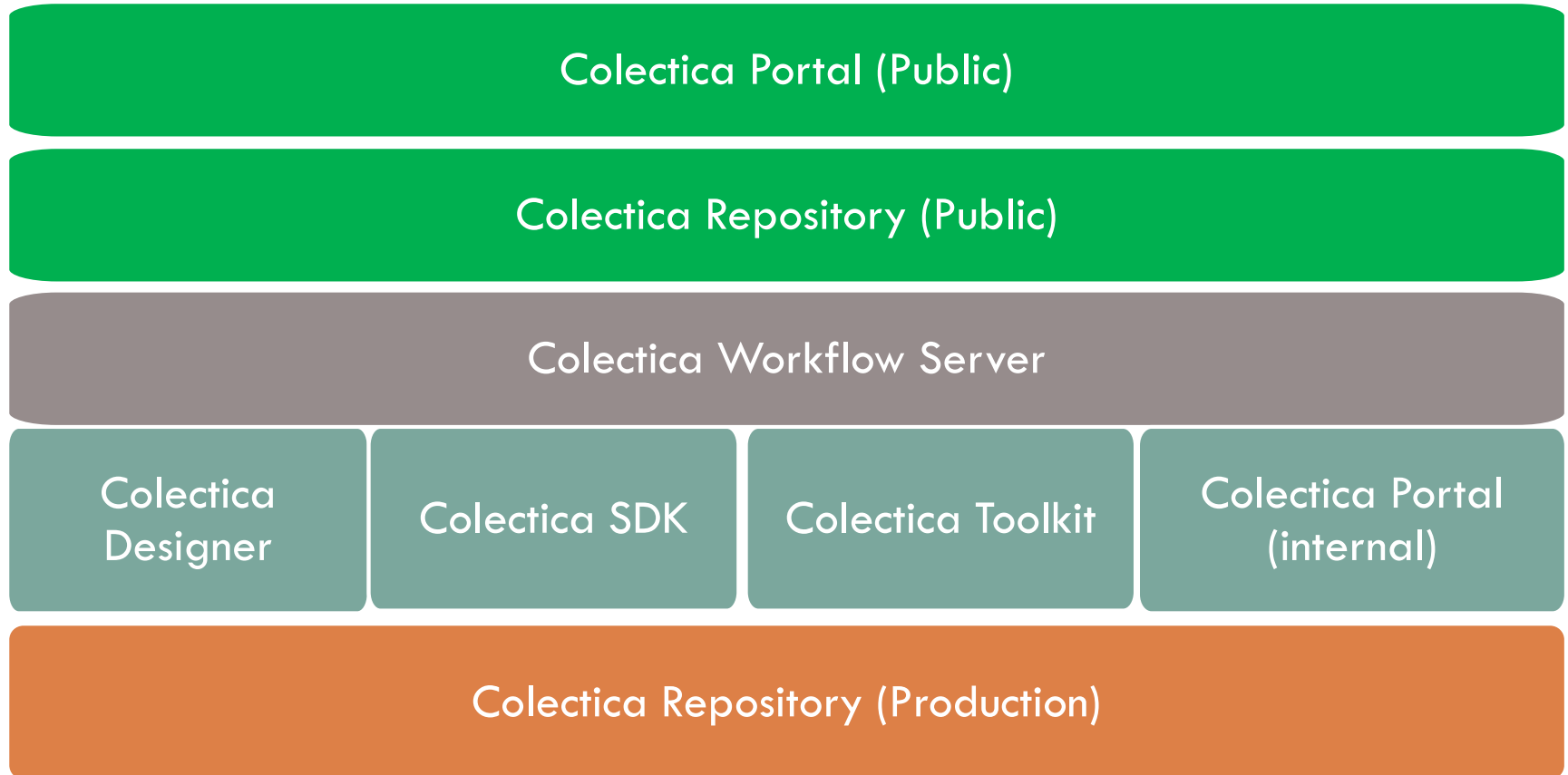
- Ensure New Zealand has the statistical information it needs to grow and prosper
- We do this by:
 - ▣ Make sure the right statistics are produced
 - ▣ Make sure as many people as possible use the statistics to support informed decision making

Statistics New Zealand Metadata Infrastructure Project



- Create a single, canonical source for all this information
- Solution: central repository

Architecture: Repository



Key Result 1 – Metadata Capture



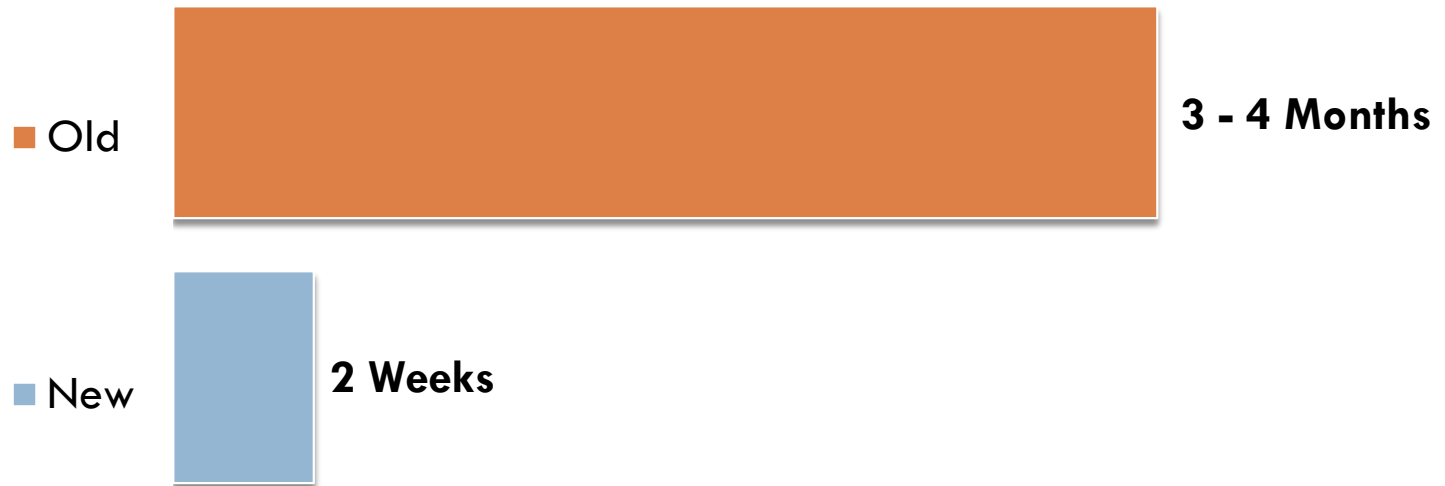
“We used to record all metadata at the end of the lifecycle.”



“Now, curators capture the information when they first think of it.”

Key Result 2 - Archiving

Time to Train Archivists



Facts and Figures



1,008

Datasets

200

Series



20 - 40

Metadata
Curators

219

Unique
Portal Users



Statistics Denmark

- Managing Series and Study-level metadata
- Eurostat Quality reporting requirements
 - ▣ From DDI to ESMS, ESQRS SDMX formats

MIDUS: Data Integration Project

<ddi>

Data Files

Web Codebooks and Documentation

DDI 2

Spreadsheets

Survey Source Code

PDFs



Mapping MIDUS to DDI Lifecycle

- Joint project between MIDUS and Colectica
- Main tool: Colectica
 - ▣ Repository
 - ▣ Designer
 - ▣ SDK



DDI at a Glance

Study



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Quality

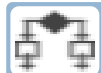
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“Research Data Management: Facilitating Discoverability using Open Metadata Standards”

April 8 – 10, 2015

University of Wisconsin - Madison

Feedback

bit.ly/eddi-workshop





Thank you

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“Informal Gathering”

"Informal gathering"

