

# Searches and schemas

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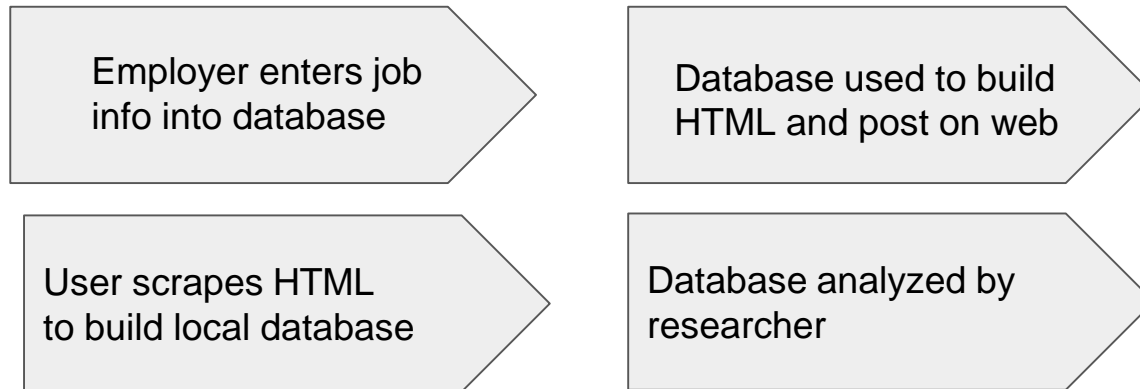
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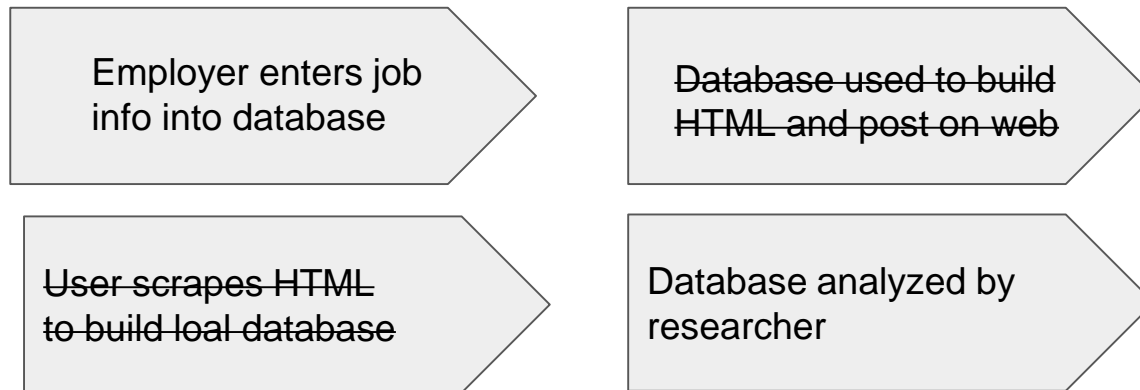


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- **Q:** How make human readable document also machine readable?
- **A:** Embed metadata into the HTML.
- For that we need standards for the metadata.

# schema.org

“Schema.org is a collaborative, community activity with a mission to create, maintain, and promote schemas for structured data on the Internet, on web pages, in email messages, and beyond.”

- Creative works: [CreativeWork](#), [Book](#), [Movie](#), [MusicRecording](#), [Recipe](#), [TVSeries](#) ...
- Embedded non-text objects: [AudioObject](#), [ImageObject](#), [VideoObject](#)
- [Event](#)
- [Health and medical types](#)
- [Organization](#)
- [Person](#)
- [Place](#), [LocalBusiness](#), [Restaurant](#) ...
- [Product](#), [Offer](#), [AggregateOffer](#)
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- [Action](#)
- **[JobPosting](#)**
- **[Dataset](#)**

# Schema.org is already widely used

- See CACM article on [Schema.org: Evolution of Structured Data on the Web](#)
- ~45% of pages in the Google search index have schema.org markup
- Most popular mark up use
  - [6 billion product](#) listings across 5m domains
  - [96m job postings](#) (including duplicates)
- ...and many more from [comic books](#) to [recipes](#) to [mortgages](#), to [events](#) ...
- Lesson: use schema.org standards if you want your data to be used

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## JobPosting

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A listing that describes a job opening in a certain organization.

| Property  | Expected Type  | Description   |
|---|--|---|
| <b>Properties from <a href="#">JobPosting</a></b> |  |   |
| <a href="#">applicantLocationRequirements</a>     | <a href="#">AdministrativeArea</a>   | The location(s) applicants can apply from. This is usually used for telecommuting jobs where the applicant does not need to be in a physical office. Note: This should not be used for citizenship or work visa requirements. |
| <a href="#">applicationContact</a>                | <a href="#">ContactPoint</a>   | Contact details for further information relevant to this job posting.   |
| <a href="#">baseSalary</a>                        | <a href="#">MonetaryAmount</a> or <a href="#">Number</a> or <a href="#">PriceSpecification</a> | The base salary of the job or of an employee in an <a href="#">EmployeeRole</a> .   |
| <a href="#">datePosted</a>                        | <a href="#">Date</a> or <a href="#">DateTime</a>   | Publication date of an online listing.  |
| <a href="#">educationRequirements</a>             | <a href="#">EducationalOccupationalCredential</a> or <a href="#">Text</a>                      | Educational background needed for the position or Occupation.   |
| <a href="#">eligibilityToWorkRequirement</a>      | <a href="#">Text</a>   | The legal requirements such as citizenship, visa and other documentation required for an applicant to this job.   |
| <a href="#">employerOverview</a>                  | <a href="#">Text</a>   | A description of the employer, career opportunities and work environment for this position.   |

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 Updated Sep 20, 2019

**statista** Development of the global population aged 65 and over...  
 www.statista.com  
 Updated Mar 29, 2012

## Proportion of Population Aged 65 or Older



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12 scholarly articles cite this dataset ([View in Google Scholar](#))

**Dataset updated** Mar 31, 2016

**Dataset provided by**  
 (Point of Contact)

### Description

Variable was created as part of a set of indicators that demonstrate links between the condition of natural areas and human concerns and that quantify dependencies on resources. More information about these resources, including the variables used in this study, may be found here: [https://edg.epa.gov/data/Public/ORD/NERL/ReVA/ReVA\\_Data.zip](https://edg.epa.gov/data/Public/ORD/NERL/ReVA/ReVA_Data.zip).

## Dataset

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A body of structured information describing some topic(s) of interest.

| Property                                       | Expected Type                               | Description  |
|--|---|--|
| <b>Properties from <a href="#">Dataset</a></b> |   |  |
| <a href="#">distribution</a>                   | <a href="#">DataDownload</a>                | A downloadable form of this dataset, at a specific location, in a specific format.   |
| <a href="#">includedInDataCatalog</a>          | <a href="#">DataCatalog</a>                 | A data catalog which contains this dataset. Supersedes <a href="#">catalog</a> , <a href="#">includedDataCatalog</a> .<br>Inverse property: <a href="#">dataset</a> .  |
| <a href="#">issn</a>                           | <a href="#">Text</a>                        | The International Standard Serial Number (ISSN) that identifies this serial publication. You can repeat this property to identify different formats of, or the linking ISSN (ISSN-L) for, this serial publication.   |
| <a href="#">measurementTechnique</a>           | <a href="#">Text</a> or <a href="#">URL</a> | A technique or technology used in a <a href="#">Dataset</a> (or <a href="#">DataDownload</a> , <a href="#">DataCatalog</a> ), corresponding to the method used for measuring the corresponding variable(s) (described using <a href="#">variableMeasured</a> ). This is oriented towards scientific and scholarly dataset publication but may have broader applicability; it is not intended as a full representation of measurement, but rather as a high level summary for dataset discovery.<br><br>For example, if <a href="#">variableMeasured</a> is: molecule concentration, <a href="#">measurementTechnique</a> could be: "mass spectrometry" or "nmr spectroscopy" or "colorimetry" or "immunofluorescence".<br><br>If the <a href="#">variableMeasured</a> is "depression rating", the <a href="#">measurementTechnique</a> |

# Metadata about datasets

Table 3: Percentage of datasets with specific properties. Column 2 lists the source predicates for each property. Properties not listed in the table have values in fewer than 1% of the datasets.

| <b>Property</b>        | <b>Source predicates</b>                        | <b>Percentage</b> |
|------------------------|---|-------------------|
| description            | so#description, purl#description                | 100.00%           |
| title                  | so#name, purl#title                             | 100.00%           |
| provider               | so#publisher, so#provider, purl#publisher       | 84.59%            |
| keywords               | so#keywords, dct#keyword, purl#keyword          | 80.08%            |
| URL                    | so#url, dct#accessurl, dct#landigpage           | 68.30%            |
| temporal coverage      | so#temporalCoverage, so#temporal, purl#temporal | 45.41%            |
| data download          | so#distribution, dct#distribution               | 44.34%            |
| spatial coverage       | so#spatialCoverage, so#spatial, purl#spatial    | 38.69%            |
| date modified          | so#dateModified, purl#modified                  | 37.46%            |
| license                | so#license and so#license on so#distribution    | 34.80%            |
| date published         | so#datePublished, purl#published                | 30.83%            |
| catalog                | so#includedInCatalog                            | 29.74%            |
| variable               | so#variableMeasured, dct#theme                  | 20.90%            |
| authors                | so#author, so#creator                           | 14.12%            |
| same_as                | so#sameAs, rdf#same_as                          | 12.72%            |
| date created           | so#dateCreated                                  | 9.62%             |
| alternate name         | so#alternateName, rdf-schema#label              | 3.40%             |
| is accessible for free | so#isAccessibleForFree                          | 3.04%             |

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# We want to make it easier to find and analyze data

What is the Interactive Data Application?  
BEA's Interactive data application is the one stop shop for accessing BEA data on the fly. The interactive application makes it easier to access and use our statistics by providing a common look and feel for users accessing national, international, regional or industry statistics. The application makes the data easier to print, save and export. The charting features are robust and visually appealing. The application also allows for data sharing with others via a number of social tools.

BEA updates its data in near real time. During BEA news releases there might be a...

National Data  
GDP & Personal Income  
Fixed Assets  
GDP by Industry  
Industry Data  
GDP by Industry  
International

American Community Survey  
Data Tables & Tools  
Data Profiles Selector  
Narrative Profiles  
Subject Tables  
Supplemental Tables

2016 DATA PRODUCTS  
User's Manual  
Data Files  
Early Childhood Program Participation (ECPP)  
Parent and Family Involvement  
Adult Training and Education

Public-Use Data Files and Documentation  
National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES)

From search for dataset,  
download, clean, normalize,  
join ...  
to  
Just ask Google

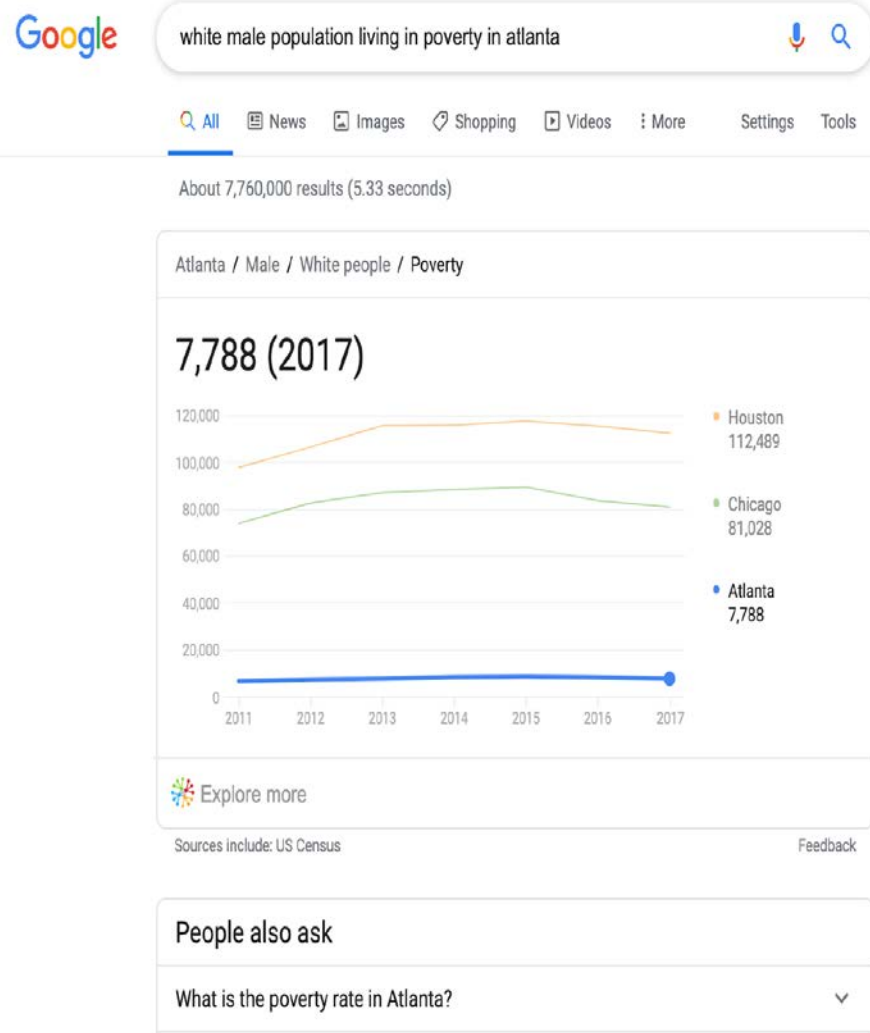






# Coming soon: In Google Search

- **Stats seeking queries** for  $O(1000)$  variables from Demographics, Education, Employment, Health, Commerce, Disasters, Crime, and Housing
- **Line charts**
- **US data** from federal government; international data from World Bank, OECD

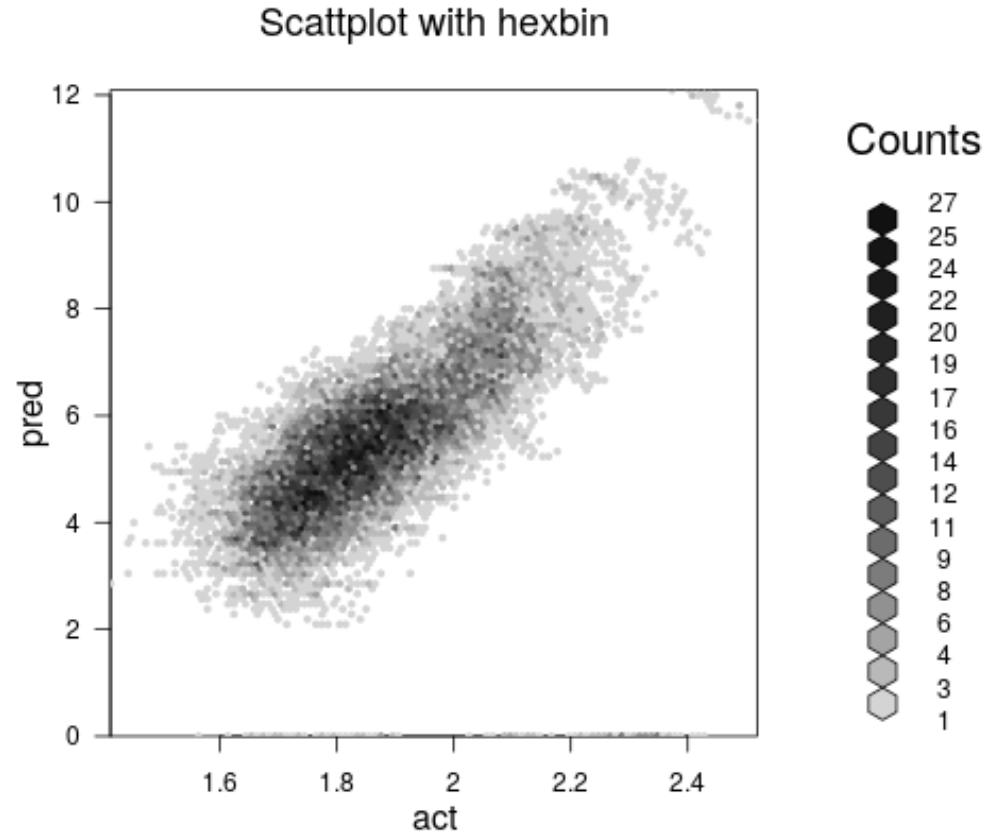


# Important goal: Joining data across providers

Sites like FRED, Census, etc. allow joining data across their data sets by hosting the data and using common standards. But it is the common standards that really matter, since this allows joins across different distinct providers.

Start with dates, move on to geos.

E.g. I recently joined “county health rankings” (125 datasets) with “JHU covid confirmed cases by county” to build a predictive model at the county level.



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1. What are best practices wrt to populating dataset metadata?
2. We are updating schema.org. What additional schemas do you want?
3. Who are important international partners?
4. Would “Job Trends” or “Recipe Trends” (modeled on Google Trends) be useful?