



World-Wide Human Geography Data (WWHGD) Working Group

Overview

In 2011, the World-Wide Human Geography Data Working Group (WWHGD WG) was created to focus on the need for human geography global foundation data in order to provide a basis for a deeper understanding of cultures, activities, and attitudes. Well-organized and comprehensive human geography data can be applied to analysis that allows us to better anticipate the behavior of people over space and time and to inform decision-making that supports human security, including crisis mitigation and humanitarian response. The Working Group will focus on understanding why people do what they do where they do it.

The Working Group is designed to build voluntary partnerships around human geography data and mapping focused on the general principle of making appropriate information available at the appropriate scales to promote human security. This involves a voluntary "whole-of-governments" national and international approach to create a human geography data framework that can leverage ongoing efforts around the world to identify, capture, build, share, and disseminate the best available structured and unstructured foundation data.



Human Geography Theme Areas

- Communications
- Demographics
- Economy
- Education
- Ethnicity
- Groups (civil, political, ideological)
- Land-Use (cover, ownership)
- Language
- Medical / Health
- Religion
- Significant Events
- Transportation
- Water

Join the World-Wide Human Geography Data Working Group

Sign up for the WWHGD Working Group at www.WWHGD.org. Once you have an account, you may view information about our meetings and webinars, view the roster, and download and comment on the Human Security Taxonomy. Currently our Community of Interest includes members from Civil Agencies, Government & Department of Defense, International Groups, Non-Governmental Organizations, Academic Institutions and Private Industry. We are also pleased to announce the WWHGD Community, now on GeoPlatform <https://www.geoplatform.gov/wwhgd-home>. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Terri Ryan at ryan_terri@bah.com or Kevin Kurtz at kurtz_kevin@bah.com.