

# Basic elements of a geospatial data citation

- Author/Producer
- Date produced
- Title/Name
- Format – table, shapefile, geodatabase, orthophoto, etc.
- Source/Distributor – DOI, url, data centre (in person)
- Date obtained

# Examples of citations

- DMTI. 2016. *Enhanced Points of Interest* [shapefile]. University of Calgary, Spatial and Numeric Data Services (distributor). [http://libdata.ucalgary.ca/get.php?file=DMTI\\_2016/CanMapContentSuite/EnhancedPointsOfInterestPointWestCAN.zip](http://libdata.ucalgary.ca/get.php?file=DMTI_2016/CanMapContentSuite/EnhancedPointsOfInterestPointWestCAN.zip) (accessed January 20, 2018).
- Alberta Biodiversity Monitoring Institute. 2014. *Wall-to-wall Human Footprint Inventory* [geodatabase]. <http://www.abmi.ca/home/data-analytics/da-top/da-product-overview/GIS-Land-Surface/HF-inventory.html> (accessed December 6, 2017).
- Statistics Canada. 2012. *Calgary Community Districts 2011 Census Profile* [table]. University of Calgary, Spatial and Numeric Data Services (distributor). [http://libdata.ucalgary.ca/index.php?dir=CensusNHS\\_2011/Census\\_Communities/Calgary/](http://libdata.ucalgary.ca/index.php?dir=CensusNHS_2011/Census_Communities/Calgary/) (accessed January 26, 2018).

# Data Citation Web Guides

- How to Cite Statistics Canada Products
  - see Maps and Geospatial Products and Data Products examples
  - <http://www.statcan.gc.ca/pub/12-591-x/2009001/ex-eng.htm>
- ACMLA Best Practices in Citation of Cartographic Materials
  - [https://acmla-acacc.ca/docs/ACMLA\\_BestPracticesCitations.pdf](https://acmla-acacc.ca/docs/ACMLA_BestPracticesCitations.pdf)