

IPCC DDC survey results, JAN 2008

This document shows the results from survey run on the IPCC DDC web site from the summer of 2007 up to the end of January 2008.

There were 53 responses, of which one appears to have been spam.

The tables show results from multiple choice questions. Responses to questions which allowed user text input are listed in the following sections.

	Netcdf	No response	csv	xls	other
Count	20	2	21	35	9

Table 1: Data format

	No response	Word	html	text	pdf	other	odf
Count	1	43	29	28	49	4	3

Table 2: Document Formats

	No response	tiff	eps	jpg	gif	bmp	other	png
Count	1	16	13	44	31	22	2	14

Table 3: Image formats

	None (default)	WG 1	WG 2
Count	52	4	2

Table 4: Working group

	unknown	adsl	ethernet
Count	23	23	12

Table 5: Connection Type

	bad	good	ok	pass
Count	4	10	4	40

Table 6: Are javascript menus OK?

	yes	no
Count	31	27

Table 7: Can we send you email?

	Academic	Intergovernmental	NGO	No response	other	Governmental	Commercial
Count	26	3	5	12	7	4	1

Table 8: Employer category

	inadequate	adequate	excellent (default)
Count	5	8	45

Table 9: Data Scope

	No response	Never	Monthly	Yearly	Daily	Once
Count	9	11	21	7	6	4

Table 10: Usage

	No response	Policy Maker	Resource Manager	Research	Personal interest
Count	12	0	3	38	5

Table 11: user-category

	No re- sponse	Suse	Apple	Redhat	Windows Vista	Windows 2000	Windows XP	Linux (other)
Count	7	2	1	1	2	2	42	1

Table 12: Operating system

	No response	firefox	explorer	mozilla	other	safari	netscape
Count	7	7	33	8	1	1	1

Table 13: Browser

1 General Comments

[1] Great data if you can find it. I have used the data previously and found it very useful. But I have spent several hours trying to find the historic monthly mean air temperatures for the 1961-1990 period without succes. I think a clearer website with one page with all the availble data would be great. At the moment there is a lot of searching through pages involved, often leading to datasets with cryptic names.

[2] There are too many of the data names, which is confusing sometimes.

[3] I think this site is very useful

[4] I think it would be excellent to get access to the data via OpenDap protocole.

[5] very useful for my research.

[6] It would be helpful if complaints/problems are looked into more speedily. Of course, it is realised that there are many users and consequently many problems. I am sincerely grateful for the data and help provided by this organisation in the context of my research.

[7] just testing

[8] excellent work,it has a great impact on the world.

[9] I have made some experiments to download data in 2006, but after that I have been using the more complete ucllnl archive. In your archive, my last inquiry concerning the schedule of data availability in the future (October 2006) was never replied.

[10] Thanks a lot for the great work. The DDC is an important, reliable and very useful source of information.

[11] Ecological artists are a new genre of collaborative work on pattern analysis and application to problem solving with scientists and policy makers. We are an immensely under utilized resource that could help reach the public and help find solutions to critical Global Warming issues.

[12] I am new user.

2 Comment on data scope

[1] We need to get the daily data to be more profisional and more acurate results

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[3] cant use it because of the format

[4] I need more variables from the climate model runs.

[5] Just testing

[6] I-m not expert.

[7] In the report of WG2 about the predication of agriculture in eastern asia,mentioned two scinaro of B1 and A1F1,but i cann-t find the A1F1 data in the DDC.

[8] The data archive supplied by ftp://ftp-esg.ucllnl.org is much broader. More climate parameters are supplied, parallel runs etc. Likewise it is very easy to use. Therefore, I prefer that archive.

[9] Nocomment

[10] Artists left out of process.

[11] Have had no experience to date.

3 What do you want?

[1] data

- [2] for climate change study in iran
- [3] Historic Climate Data, in particular monthly means
- [4] average concentration of co2 around the world
- [5] Training courses for developing countries on GCMs
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- [7] Access to the latest GCM runs for use in agricultural land suitability study and the potential impacts of climate change.
- [8] datasets
- [9] historical climate data Climate model output
- [10] Quiet simple, just the IPCC model data.
- [11] I would like more documentation for each model: especially the output grid lat/long coordinates, which differ among models and seem to be very difficult to track down.
- [12] Climate simulations from the models
- [13] friendly, openly, freely, easily, access to the data. If the data format is friendly (such as in NETCDF) should be very helpful for user.
- [14] rainfall predictions
- [15] It would be useful to use standard protocols and services to provide access to data and metadata (THEDDS, opendap, netcdf...). We have to write specific software to download data from CERA database. It's not "application friendly" because it requires human intervention and monitor. An application friendly access could allow to us make an access design without requiring to download the huge amount of information, and then postprocess that information in our site wasting bandwidth resources.
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- [17] Necessary data to do empirical-statistical downscaling, such as gcm output.
- [18] I've used this site in the past to help convince the non believer crowd that global warming/climate change is indeed real.
- [19] Data from IPCC-AR4 runs
- [20] To be able to access required information/data for research.
- [21] Just testing
- [22] Climate change data to simulate crop growth
- [23] Precipitation, infiltration- Romania and Germany (Hessian Reed) Area
- [24] Downloading climate model output data for further regional analyses. Another important part is gathering information on the various models and data structure.
- [25] data of the latest research of global climate change
- [26] Regional climate data
- [27] Information and opportunity to comment and participate as a member of a not for profit organisation involved in awareness raising and promotion of greenhouse gas reduction.
- [28] To collect data in contributing research prepare for my further study in university study climate change
- [29] Latest IPCC reports
- [30] Ways for artists to be come engaged in the process of interpretation, outreach and analysis.

[31] well documented datasets, together with practical guidance documents on the applications of them, to support policy-relevant analyses

[32] Research

[33] Awareness on the subject

[34] Village centred data for understanding climate change

[35] Periodically obtain factual information regarding our environment.

[36] I want to know the legal status of DDC

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[38] information

[39] GCMs Data like: Precipitation Temperature ,...

[40] my involment

4 Comment on formats

[1] No

[2] the climate output data i could never work beacuse of the format grb or something

[3] no

[4] it would be great to have a more simplistic approach to handle all those formats and modeloutputs (e.g. a simple regional selection and output as ascii table). Personally, I have huge problems to understand all the formats.

5 Suggest other data formats

[1] asci, e00, shp

[2] grib

[3] GRIB

[4] Matlab

[5] Matlab

[6] GRIB

[7] self-designed

[8] acrobat

6 Comment on survey

[1] no more

[2] Now the DDC data are in netcdf or grid formats, if grid data are converted to netcdf would be very helpful.

[3] Interesting. Hope it helped.

[4] -

[5] Do you feel it is convenient to get needed data?

- [6] The survey is find, all the best. [name removed]
- [7] Adequate
- [8] Depends on what you want to do with the info!
- [9] Which lon-lat geographical degrees do yuo need?