

No.	Question	Options	Guidance notes	Response
Description				
1.1 Author				
1.1a	Intellectual Property Right holder		Provide name and address	
1.2 Dataset				
1.2a	Title		Provide a long (up to 120 characters) and short version (less than 32 characters) of the title.	Hadley Centre and Climate Research Unit monthly global surface humidity (HadDRUH)
1.2b	Description		Provide 200-500 word description, highlighting the key distinguishing features of the dataset. This text will be used in the DDC entry.	HadCRUH is a land and marine monthly mean anomaly surface dataset at a 5° latitude x 5° longitude grid-box resolution. It is available in specific humidity (q - g/kg) and relative humidity (RH - %). The marine data are taken from the International Comprehensive Ocean-Atmosphere Data Set, ICOADS, from 1973 to 1997 and from the NCEP-GTS from 1998 to the present. The land data are taken from the Integrated Surface Dataset (ISD, formerly ISH) provided by the US National Climatic Data Center from 1973 to 2003. The data are blended where each grid-box value is weighted according to the proportional spatial presence of land or ocean in that grid-box.
Authority				
2.1 Use by the IPCC				
2.1a	Has the dataset been used in an IPCC Assessment or Special Report, e.g., in a figure or table or discussed in text?	Yes	List report name(s), table/figure/page number(s)	AR5 WG1 2.5.5
2.1b	Is dataset used in any other IPCC-related documents or materials?	Not Known	List document name(s), table/figure/page number(s)	
2.2 Documentation				
2.2a	Is the dataset documented in detail in a peer-reviewed journal article or as a peer-reviewed dataset?	Yes	Provide full citation and list Thomson-Reuter impact factor (or other standard influence factors) for journal if available.	Willett, K.W., P.D. Jones, N.P. Gillett and P. W. Thorne, 2008: Recent changes in surface humidity: development of the HadCRUH dataset. <i>J. Clim.</i> ,21, 5364:5383
2.2b	Is the dataset documented in detail in a peer-reviewed book chapter, report or technical document?	Not Known	Provide full citation. List type of peer review if known; list type of book, report, or document, e.g., if part of a series; provide evidence of credibility of authors or publisher (e.g., UN organization)	
2.2c	Is the dataset documented in detail in a non-peer reviewed document, web site, or other resource?	Yes	Provide citation or links. Describe quality control or other review processes used (e.g., crowd sourcing); provide evidence of credibility of authors or publisher (e.g., UN organization)	http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/hadobs/hadcruh/
2.2d	Has there been significant discussion of the dataset in the scientific literature?	Not Known	Provide citations to criticisms and responses where relevant.	
2.2e	Are the uncertainties associated with the data documented.	Not Known	Provide link(s) or reference(s) and indicate what sort of uncertainty information is provided?	
2.3 Lineage				
2.3a	Is the dataset produced by or under the direction of a national or international body or group?	Yes	List scientific body or group	HadGHEND is now regularly updated by NCDC and the Hadley Centre
Significance Relative to the IPCC Community				
3.1 Interest in the data				
3.1a	Has an IPCC Working Group or the TFI used or expressed an intention of using this data?	Yes	Indicate which group(s) and/or other body. Provide reference and quote relative passage.	AR5 WG1 2.5.5
3.1b	Have DDC users expressed interest in these data?	Not Known	Indicate numbers and/or types of users. Provide user metrics or examples of queries.	
3.1c	Are there strong reasons for considering the data relevant to the DDC user community?	Yes	Give reasons, backed by references. References from gray literature should have accompanying justification, as for IPCC reports.	AR5 WG1 2.5.5
3.2 Uniqueness				
3.2	Are other datasets available with the same or overlapping variables?	No	Indicate other datasets and degree of overlap; provide links.	
Stability of Data and Data Provider				
4.1 Curation				
4.1a	Does the provider have a published data policy?	Yes	Provide link or citation	http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/hadobs/hadcruh/terms_and_conditions.html
4.1b	Does the provider have a succession plan for this dataset?	Not Known	List organization(s) with long-term responsibility for the dataset (e.g., government agency, library, archive); provide a link to the plan or other documentation of the agreement	
4.1c	Is there an explicit funding model for the dataset or data provider?	Not Known	Indicate type (e.g., subscription-based, government-supported, submitter fees) and give link.	
Quality Control				
5.1 Meta-data and quality control				

5.1a	Does detailed meta-data exist for this data, in accordance with relevant national or international meta-data standards	No	Indicate relevant standards (e.g. NASA's Directory Interchange Format) and provide a link to the metadata.	The data is documented in the scientific literature.
5.1b	Is there a stated quality assurance process or procedure for the dataset?	No	Indicate if relevant quality assurance standards are met (e.g., ISO9000) and give links.	Willett et al (2008) refer to http://www1.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/dai
5.1c	Is there a regular validation or calibration process or procedure for the data?	Not Known	Indicate frequency and/or most recent date and give links	
5.1d	Is technical/usage guidance available?	No	Give links	
5.2 Data updates and version control				
5.2a	Is the data subject to updates?	Yes	List frequency	
5.2b	Is there a clear version control process and tracking of data provenance?	No	Describe version control and data provenance procedures	
5.2c	Are previous versions of the dataset accessible?	No	List previous versions	
Accessibility				
6.1 Access requirements				
6.1a	Are the data available on-line for download?	All	Give links	http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/hadobs/hadcruh/data/download.html
6.1b	Are data made available in one or more standard (preferably open) formats?	Yes	List the formats available (at least one standard format is required);	NetCDF & ASCII txt.gz
6.1c	Are there restrictions (beyond user registration and acceptance of terms of use) on data use, re-dissemination, or reuse?	Yes	If applicable, specify the type of restrictions and give relevant links	http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/hadobs/hadcruh/terms_and_conditions.html ; use for private study and scientific research is unrestricted. Commercial use requires a license, details available from the UK Met Office
6.1d	Is the data available for free or for a charge?	Free	if applicable, give link to price structure	
6.2 Additional information				
6.2a	Is user registration required or requested?	Neither	Give relevant links;	http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/hadobs/hadcruh/data/download.html
6.2b	Is attribution required or requested?	Not Known	Give relevant links;	
6.2c	Are versions of the data available through open interfaces (e.g., OGC Web Services, REST, SOAP)?	Yes	List interfaces and give links for specifications	http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/hadobs/hadcruh/data/download.html
6.2d	Are levels of service (e.g., bandwidth, up time) adequate?	Not Known	Give links, e.g., to up time metrics	
6.2e	Is user support available (e.g., help desk, frequently asked questions)?	No	List user support services and links	
6.2f	Is documentation available in English?	No	Give links	
6.2g	Is documentation available in other languages	No	List languages (with links)	
6.2h	What is the spatial domain of the dataset		Specify bounding latitudes and longitudes	