Abstract

This document outlines the methodological approach and data sources used to construct the GRID3 DRC Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika Health Facilities, Version 01 (Beta) dataset. The dataset consists of health facility points with name, location, health zone and health area attributes in the provinces of Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). Limitations and use constraints are provided.

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1. Introduction

The GRID3 DRC Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika Health Facilities, Version 01 (Beta) dataset consists of health facility points with name, location, health zone and health area in the provinces of Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). The dataset is one of three included in the GRID3 DRC Haut-Lomani and Tanganyika, Version 01 (Beta) data release. The other two datasets that are part of the release are GRID3 DRC Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika Settlements, Version 01 (Beta) and GRID3 DRC Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika Health Catchment Area Boundaries, Version 01 (Beta).

This work was accomplished through engagement by the Center for International Earth Science Information Network (CIESIN) with the mandated authorities in the Ministry of Health in support of data collection and development for immunization planning. Local healthcare workers were directly involved in the mapping of the health catchment area boundaries at participatory events coordinated with in-country provincial coordinators and Geographic Information System technicians, and in the collection of data in the field from July to September 2019.

This work has been undertaken as part of the Geo-referenced Infrastructure and Demographic Data for Development (GRID3) programme in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). The programme is funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and United Kingdom’s Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office. It is implemented by WorldPop/Flowminder (WPFM) and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), and coordinated by the Center for International Earth Science Information Network (CIESIN) of Columbia University.

Input data

Table 1. Input data layers

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<th>Data</th>
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<td>Baseline health facility data: compiled from various sources</td>
<td>(WHO, 2019); (Programme de Santé Intégré de l'USAID enRépublique Démocratique du Congo (PROSANI USAID), 2019)</td>
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<td>Health facility data collected in the field as part of the Ministry of Health’s monitoring</td>
<td>(Acasus and Programme Elargi de Vaccination (PEV), 2020)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Health facility data collected in the field (raw data)</td>
<td>(Ministère de la Santé Publique, RépubliqueDémocratique du Congo and Center for International Earth Science Information Network (CIESIN), 2020)</td>
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Input Health Facility Data Layer

The project took advantage of available health facility point data from various sources (Table 1). CIESIN collected, assessed, cleaned and compiled the available data into a single preliminary baseline health facility layer. During participatory mapping meetings, points in the baseline layer were validated and edited by mappers with input from local healthcare workers.

2. Methodological Approach

Summary

With the support of provincial and national health authorities, local healthcare workers and Congolese GIS specialists engaged in a participatory mapping process in Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika during the months of July, August and September 2019. All reference data layers described in Table 1 were used during participatory mapping meetings where at the direction of the healthcare workers, GIS technicians (or GIS mappers) edited the baseline health facility data. This included correcting misspellings, deleting erroneous points and editing associated attribute information. Following the participatory mapping meetings, additional health facility data were collected in the field and processed by the Center for International Earth Science Information Network (CIESIN).

Details

Phase 1: Consolidation and Cleaning of Existing Health Facilities Data

Desk research was conducted by CIESIN to identify and acquire existing open source health facilities datasets (Table 1) for Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika Provinces. Data from all sources underwent a series of quality assurance and quality control (QA/QC) processes which included:

1. Transforming the data to a common health facility schema
2. Cleaning health facility names, e.g., adding/removing spaces, handling special characters, etc.
3. Standardizing health facility type attribute values
4. Removing spatially proximate duplicate points with the same name

Phase 2: Participatory Mapping Meetings

Provincial coordinators helped organize teams of GIS mappers and local healthcare workers at participatory mapping meetings held at each health zone's headquarters in Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika provinces. A health zone is an administrative health unit that contains several health areas. Each healthcare worker at the meeting was
responsible for providing health services to one health area. The purpose of these 3-day meetings was to bring together the empirical knowledge of local health personnel and the technical knowledge of GIS mappers to edit the preliminary settlement and health facility baseline layers and produce a set of preliminary health catchment area boundaries. For the health facility layer, the process included:

1. Visually inspecting each health facility point
2. Flagging erroneous or duplicate points for deletion
3. Moving misplaced points to the correct location
4. Correcting the names and/or spelling of health facilities
5. Editing or adding corresponding attribute data (e.g., health area, facility type, etc.)

In addition to validating the existing data, points were added when a health facility present in the District Health Information Software (DHIS2) was missing. The validated layer was then sent back to CIESIN to undergo quality checks including:

1. Checking for geometry errors
2. Checking for completeness of attribute information
3. Checking points flagged for deletion and removing them
4. Checking the data against the master list of health facilities extracted from the DHIS2 for completeness of coverage
5. Correcting unique identifiers to match the DHIS2 identifiers

Phase 3: Field Data Collection

As part of the participatory meetings, local healthcare workers were trained to collect settlement place names, health facility locations, and points of interest (POI) (e.g., schools, rivers, health boundary limits, etc.) using an Open Data Kit (ODK)-based data collection app preloaded on tablets. Following the meetings, each healthcare worker returned to their health area to collect data using the tablets. The goals of the field data collection effort were to add missing settlements and health facilities identified during the participatory mapping meetings and to resolve ambiguities such as the correct name of a village. The GIS mappers and provincial coordinators then reviewed and cleaned the data. The data were then sent back to CIESIN for additional quality checks following the process below:

1. Normalising “type” field and cleaning of text attributes
2. Removing duplicate points (points with the same name located in a settlement extent for example)
3. Checking the data against the master list of health facilities for completeness of coverage
4. Removing pharmacies, unless those facilities were in the master list of health facilities
5. Removing points more than 100 metres from a settlement extent with no visible structures in imagery

**Phase 4: Integrating existing data with data collected in the field**

The data collected in the field proved to be highly accurate and nearly complete when compared to the master list of health facilities. In contrast, the quality of the baseline health facility data varied significantly by health zone as mappers reported insufficient time during the participatory mapping meetings to thoroughly validate and edit this layer. For these reasons, the following process was followed:

1. Data collected in the field were retained
2. Using data collected by Acasus, health facilities missing from the data collected in the field were appended if they existed in the master list of health facilities
3. Where gaps persisted, data from the baseline layer were appended
4. Health facility layer was checked against the master list for completeness and to ensure correct corresponding unique identifiers
3. Dataset Description

GRID3 DRC Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika Health Facilities Version 01 (Beta) dataset consists of one layer: health facilities point data. The data are available for download in shapefile or Esri file geodatabase formats packaged in zip files. See Appendix for a summary of the features in this dataset.

Extent: Democratic Republic of the Congo: Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika Provinces

North: -4.97517681106092
West: 23.7154293063175
East: 30.5882263186897
South: -9.91798019413062

Coordinate system: GCS WGS 1984
## Codebook

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<td>OBJECTID</td>
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<td>The name of the province within which the health facility is located</td>
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<td>Alphanumeric health zone (zone de santé) identifier as defined by the DHIS2 (Pyramide avec code INS)</td>
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<td>The name of the health zone (zone de santé) within which the health facility area is located</td>
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### 4. Known Data Limitations

The spatial accuracy of the health facility data is dependent on both the accuracy of the point data collected in the field as well as on the correctness of the edits made to the layer compiled from existing health facilities at the participatory mapping meetings. In general, it was assumed that the field collected data were more accurate than the previously compiled health facility point data.

The scope of this project included fieldwork and validation for the health areas of 20 health zones in Haut-Lomami and Tanganyika Provinces. Existing data collected by the University of California Los Angeles in 7 of the health zones¹ (Lwamba, Mulongo, Mukanga, Malemba Nkula, Kikondja, Butumba and Manono) was incorporated into

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¹ These data were collected by UCLA as part of the GIS layer used for the polio response in early 2018. Participatory mapping and high-resolution satellite imagery were used to delineate the boundaries.
the final product but has not been directly validated with local health teams under GRID3 supervision.

Known issues

A comparison of the health facility data set with the master list of health facilities extracted from DHIS2 indicates:

- One hundred and thirteen health facilities present in the DHIS2 master list do not have a corresponding record in this data set: 103 in Haut-Lomami and 10 in Tanganyika

5. Disclaimer

The data is provided "as-is". These data are part of ongoing work and are not guaranteed to be accurate and clean. If users encounter apparent errors or misstatements in the data, they should contact GRID3 at data.queries@grid3.org.

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Référentiel Géographique Commun (RGC), DRC
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7. References


8. Appendix

Distribution of health facilities by health zone and province

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Note: Four health facilities are spatially located outside of health area boundaries but they are counted in the table.