

International Open Government Data Leaders— Top 10 Issues and Lessons Learned

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- 1. Communities are out there and waiting
- 2. Culture makes a difference
- 3. Leadership matters
- 4. Risk aversion
- 5. Tension between security and delivery
- 6. Legacy and Architecture
- 7. Data Quality
- 8. Measuring value will be a challenge
- 9. The big picture matters
- 10. The inevitable direction of technology



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Top Ten Issues and Lessons Learned

- 1. The President's Innovation Agenda Requires Many Building Blocks of Innovation Open Data is Just One Component
- 2. Are We Getting enough Participation Across Government?
- 3. Adapt to New Technologies and Ways of Sharing Information and Knowledge
- 4. Get in Front of the Tsunami of Data
- 5. Create Communities of Interest
- 6. What You Measure is What You Get
- 7. Geo-Spatial Data as A Key Enabler for "Killer Apps"
- 8. Improved Search with Mobility
- 9. Continuously Tapping the Ingenuity of the American Public
- 10. Standards and Governance Along the Information Lifecycle





Issue/Lesson Learned # 1: The President's Innovation Agenda Requires Many Building Blocks of Innovation – Open Data is Just One Component



Paradigm shift from "Protect everything, share what we must" to "Share everything, but protect what we must".

Open Government



- Partnerships
- Entrepreneurship
- Prizes, Challenges, and Grants
- Idea Generation
- Innovative Science & Technology
- Creative Funding Strategies
- Promoting Competitive Markets
- Scaling IT Infrastructure w/ New Tech (e.g. cloud)
- Open Architectures (e.g. apps, APIs)
- Others...







Issue/Lesson Learned # 2: Are We Getting enough Participation Across Government?



How do we encourage/reward agencies that publish useful and relevant data?







Issue/Lesson Learned # 3: Adapt to New Technologies and Ways of Sharing Information and Knowledge

- YouTube is now second largest search engine in the world
- 1.5 million pieces of content shared daily on Facebook
- On-line newspaper readers are up 30%
- 250 million visitors each month to MySpace, YouTube, and Facebook (none were around 6 years ago)
- Mobile devices will be world's primary connection tool to the Internet in 2020
- Other...

Data + <u>Context</u> Information



Information
+
Experience
Knowledge

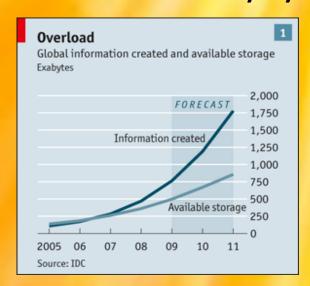
Our goal is to make data and information available to any mission, any where, at any time, securely and reliably





Issue/Lesson Learned # 4: Get in Front of the Tsunami of Data!

Volume of digital information increases tenfold every 5 years



"Data is the flint for for the next 25 years."

Ray Ozzie Chief Software Architect Microsoft





Such a vast amount of new data being generated every day presents great opportunities, but also challenges. How do we handle, on a continuous basis:

- Data quality?
- Security, and privacy?
- Classification?
- Data provenance?
- Records management?
- Data duplication?
- Data at rest vs Data in motion?





Issue/Lesson Learned # 5: Create Communities of Interest!

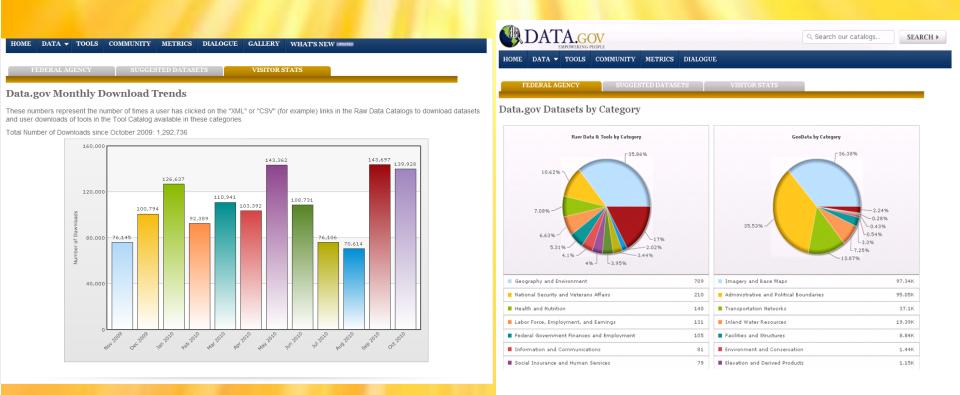
- Community pages collect related datasets and other information to help users find data on a single topic of interest in one central location
- Restore the Gulf is an example of a Data.gov community
- Planned communities include Health, Education, Law amongst many others....
- It's not just about policy and technology – it's about changing the culture







Issue/Lesson Learned # 6: What You Measure is What You Get!



What are the right metrics? How are they tied to outcomes?





Issue/Lesson Learned # 7: Geo-Spatial Data as A Key Enabler for "Killer Apps"



- Geo-data Integration Combine capabilities of Geodata.gov and Data.gov
- Enhanced visualization, data-mashing and online web capabilities
- "Human knowledge is expected to be doubling by the year 2012." (Alvin Toffler)
- Geo-aware applications are key.
 How to realize the promise of geospatial information systems (GIS) for the nation?
 - Geo-data "architected and built-in"
 - Lightweight geo-applications and mash-ups for Web 2.0/Gov 2.0
 - Incremental, agile, actionable and affordable delivery





Issue/Lesson Learned # 8: Improved Search with Mobility



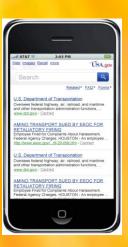


How do we categorize data and datasets so that they are easy to browse and find?

- By Statistical Abstract Category?
- By Federal Enterprise Architecture?
- By Owning Organization?
- Other Taxonomies?
- All of the Above?











Issue/Lesson Learned # 9: Continuously Tapping the Ingenuity of the American Public

- The Federal government does not have a monopoly on good ideas
- Access to information unleashes creativity
- Innovation drives sustainability
- How do we keep engaging and tapping creativity continuously?
- Example of GPS









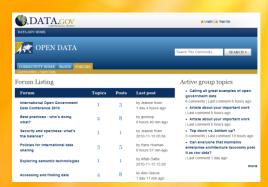




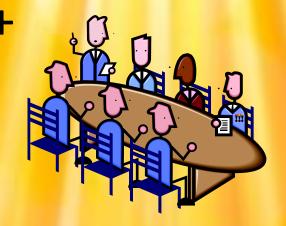


Issue/Lesson Learned # 10: Standards and Governance Along the Information Lifecycle

Citizen Feedback



Resource Prioritization



Cross Agency Interoperability





"Sunlight is the Best Disinfectant."

-- Justice Louis Brandeis