## **EXAMPLE OF METADATA ON DATASETS**

Short Name UDDA and UDD	•
Long Name Attainment Reg	jister

Internal quality assurance	YES
External Quality assurance	NO

Changes over time	YES
Has the changes been	YES
described	

Collection method	Administrative data supplemented with survey data
Reference period	Two version: Status register (UDDA) and Longitudinal register (UDDF)
Source data	The Student Register
	The Qualification Register
	Population & Housing Census 1970
	Immigrant's education
	Examinations achieved through adult education.
	Membership registers of professional bodies or certification records
	Administrative records from educational institutions
	Danish Agency for International Education.
	Educational Information from Greenland

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Population	There are two editions of the register of highest completed education, a longitudinal register (UDDF) and a status register (UDDA).
	<b>UDDF:</b> In the longitudinal register (UDDF), the population consists of persons registered with at least one compulsory education in Statistics Denmark's student register or qualification register. Thus the population consists of the entire Danish population since 1970.
	UDDA: The status register (UDDA) is formed on the basis of the progress register

	and contains information about the population one giving year and their highest completed education. The population consist the entire Danish population on the status date 31. December supplemented with information about education attainment the 30. September the same year.
	Since 2012 the data about PhD students is one year delayed compared to other educations cowered by the registers.
Introduction	The purpose of The Attainment Register is to give an overall statistical description of the educational level of the population at any given time. The primary data source to The Attainment Register is the Student Register with data from 1974. Besides that, information from The Qualification Register is used. As The Student Register is the primary source for information, the Attainment Register cover fully from 1974 onwards. There is, however information before this time coming from The Qualification Register.
Statistical presentation	The Attainment Register gathers information about the highest completed education for each single person based on the information in The Student Register and The Qualification Register. It is a longitudinal register based on an assessment of each person's education career and shows how the qualification career develops over time. The register is formed by interpreting the qualification career (skills in chronological order) in order to determine a change in the skill level. Once a year a status register is produced with the population 31. December and information about education the 30. September the current year.
Statistical processing	The Attainment Register is a longitudinal register based on an assessment of each person's education career.
	The Attainment Register makes use of several administrative registers. The primary source is data from the educational institutions assembled in the Student Register.
	<ul> <li>The Student's Register is supplemented additionally with data from Statistics Denmark's Qualification Register that collects data from multiple sources of different nature.</li> <li>Population and Housing Census 1970</li> <li>Immigrant's education</li> <li>Examinations achieved through adult education</li> <li>Membership registers of professional bodies or certification records</li> <li>Administrative records from educational institutions</li> <li>Danish Agency for International Education</li> <li>Educational Information from Greenland</li> </ul>
	When the register is made the sources for the education is taken into account. Some sources are more reliable than others. There are priority 1 and priority 2 sources. If there is information from a priority 1 source, they will always be used even if they are on a lower level than the information from the source with

priority 2. The Student Register has a high quality and information from that register have priority and the Qualification Register consist of different sources with different priority.
Population and Housing Census 1970. Population and Housing Census 1970 consist of self-reported education information. The quality is considered to be of lower quality than some of the other sources listed above and the source have priority 2. The date of completion on the educations from the Population and Housing Census 1970 is all set to 1-1-1970.
Immigrant's education (IVU). Immigrant's education consists of both self-reported and imputed education information. (Imputed values are information that replaces unstated values based on experience from similar people). The quality is considered to be less good and the source have priority 2.
Examinations achieved through adult education. Qualifications from the adult education system have priority 1. The data are updated annually.
Register from professional organizations with their members or authorization register. Statistics Denmark received in 2005 the members of the engineering association. The data have priority 1. Since 1980, The Authorization Register from Ministry of Health has been used as a source to The Attainment Register. The data have priority 1.
Administrative records from educational institutions In 2010 Statistic Denmark received information from the Maritime Agency's administrative system about completed maritime education. The data have priority 1.
Danish Agency for International Education. Since 2007 Statistic Denmark have received information about education that has been assessed by the Agency for international Education. The data have priority 1
Educational Information from Greenland. Once a year, Statistic Denmark receives information about people who have completed an education and received grants from Greenland under their education. The data have priority 1.
When new sources are used the highest attained education can also be affected back in time depending on, when the educations are completed.
If the only information there is about a person is a interrupted or ongoing primary or youth education, they will get the former grade as there highest education. If it is an interrupted primary education the highest education will be the former grade with completion 1. June. If it is a interrupted youth education the highest education will be 9. grade with completion 1. June the year the person turns 16.

Relevance	There is a great variety of users. The information is generally used in
	connection with describing the population or sections hereof. The register is
	used in connection with status reports for other statistical fields. Data reports
	are thus submitted for (mainly on the population's highest level of education
	completed) a wide number of integration registers operated by Statistics
	Denmark. Furthermore, the register is frequently used in connection with
	external service activities order by Danish ministries, municipalities, research
	institutions, professional organization, private enterprises, private individuals
	and, not least, requests made by the news media.
Accuracy and reliability	The reliability of educational information is judged to be good. The
	information from the student registry has a high quality. The information in
	The Qualification Register is divided in priority 1 and 2, where priority 2 is
	only used if there is no other information available.
	In connection with the annual reports from the institutions there is
	information which also relate to previous years. This delayed notifications
	concern particularly the last year but has only a very limited impact on the
	statistics. About 0.5 percent of the population change after 1 year their
	highest completed education a given date due to updated information.
Timeliness and punctuality	The statistics are published approximately 4 months after the end of the
	reference time. The uncertainty that arising because the institutions through
	the annual reports have the opportunity to correct back in time is notoriously
	around 0-3 per cent within a training division. On more specific groupings and
	individual education uncertainty will be higher. The uncertainty is particularly
	true in the past year.
	The statistics are usually published without delay in accordance with the
	scheduled date.
	The student register was extended to include data on preschool through 7th
	grade from school year 2006- 2007.
Comparability	The Student Register is the primary source for the Attainment Register and
	the data in the Student Register starts in 1973. Since then the comparability
	over time is good.
Accessibility and clarity	Statistics are published once a year in "News from Statistics Denmark". At the
	same time data are released in Statbank Denmark
Annexes	Manual for educational Statistics