

Arctic Spatial Data Infrastructure

Enabling Access to

Arctic Location-Based Information

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Why Arctic SDI?

Data is often difficult and costly to find, access and combine

 due to lack of standardized distribution of data and insufficient compliance to international standards

The Arctic SDI was established to address the need for readily available spatial data in the northern areas of the globe

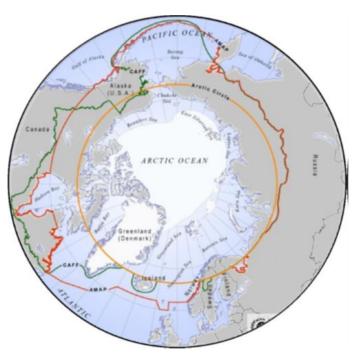
 works with stakeholder organizations to make their key data accessible and interoperable



Arctic SDI Strategic Vision

facilitate access to geospatial information in support of social, economic, environmental monitoring, decision-making and other needs in the Arctic.

promote cooperation and development of a Spatial Data Infrastructure that enables discovery, visualization, access, integration and sharing of Arctic geospatial data



Arctic SDI is based on voluntary commitments by the National Mapping Agencies from 8 countries that border the Arctic Circle

Canada, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Russia, Sweden, USA

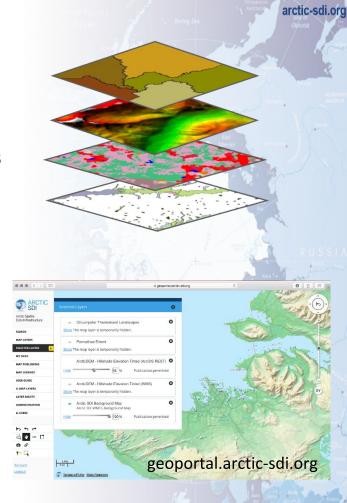
There is a signed Memorandum of Understanding towards cooperative development of an Arctic SDI.



Arctic SDI Services

The Arctic SDI is an infrastructure that provides a web portal with easy access to:

- A geoportal for geospatial data viewing and discovery
- A searchable metadata catalogue
- Authoritative reference data as a
 - Web Map Service (WMS) 1:250.000
 - Searchable Circumpolar Gazetteer
- Thematic data and partnerships —
 Distributed Sources
 (elevation data, marine data, ice cover,
 flora & fauna, etc.)





Cooperation with the Arctic Regional Hydrographic Commission's Arctic Marine SDI Working Group to facilitate access to Arctic marine data and Integrate sea and land data

Partnering on a Pan-Arctic Digital Elevation Model (DEM)

An initiative of the Arctic Council US Chairmanship to produce a 2m resolution DEM of the entire Arctic Homsundneset

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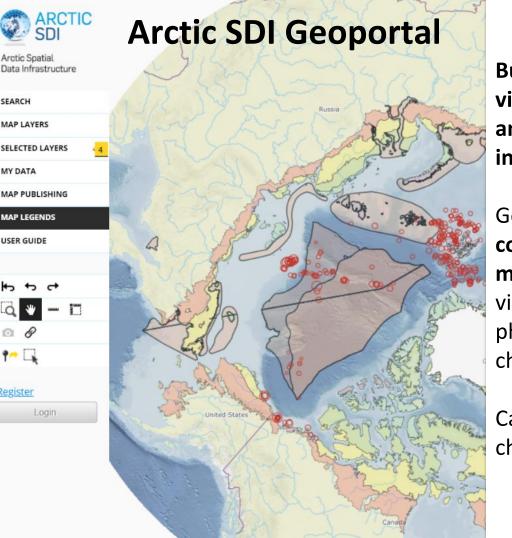
Arctic SDI harmonized basemap

 produced using the existing data from the Arctic Mapping Agencies

 provides a unified topographic view over the entire Arctic

 with details such as elevation, rivers and lakes and other geographic features Sorka pplonno

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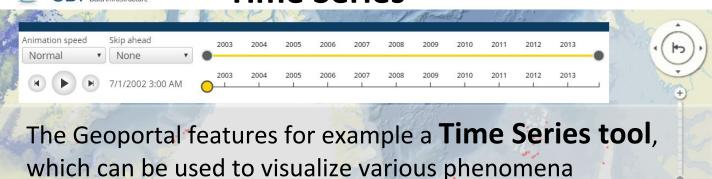
Built for browsing, visualizing, analyzing and sharing spatial information

Geoportal users can combine data and map layers to visualize the phenomena of their choice

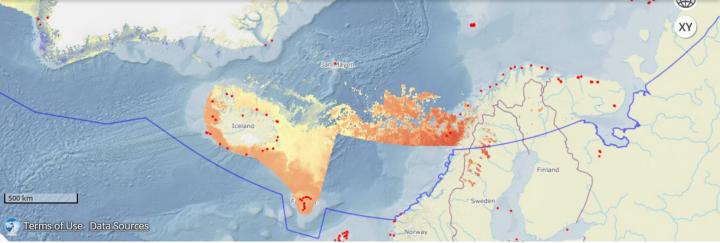
Can be used free of charge by anyone

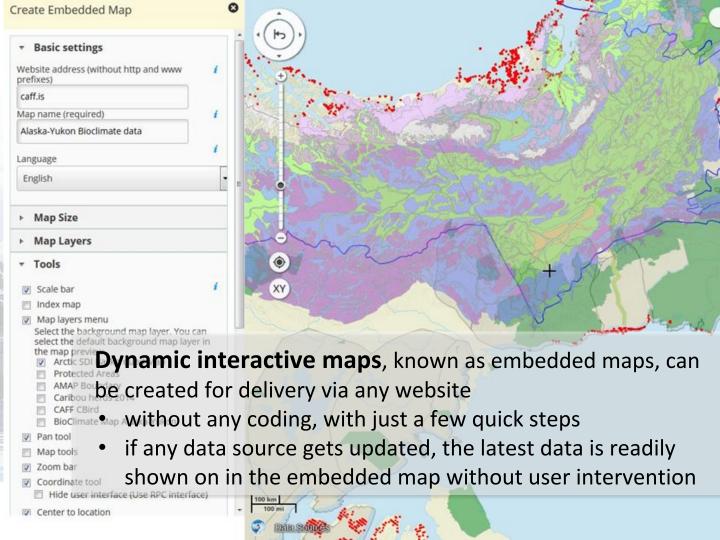


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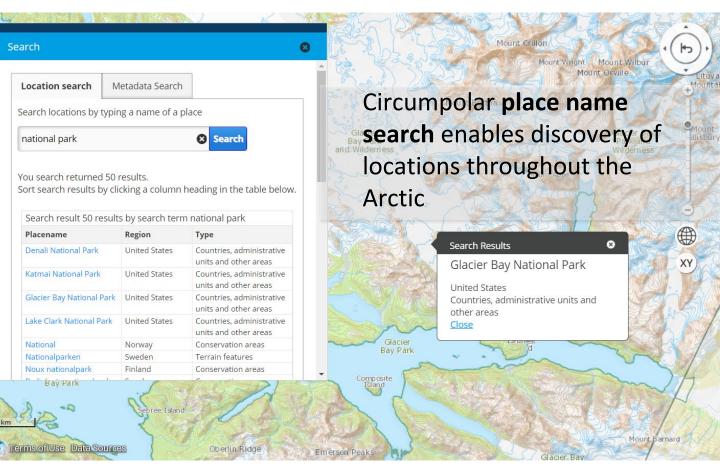
 for example sea surface temperature change over time in the Arctic





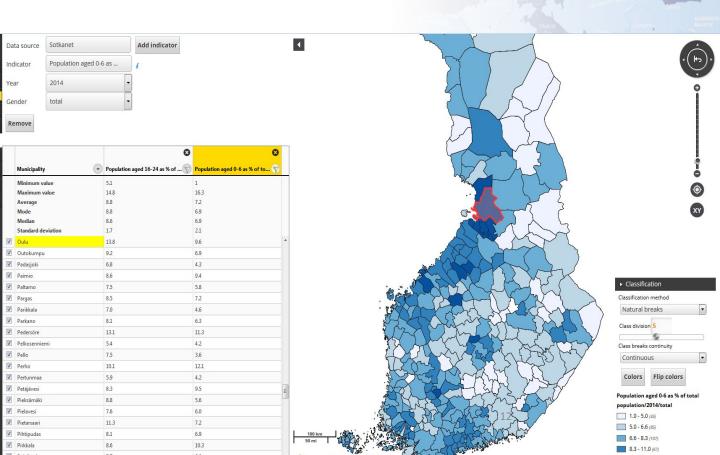


Location Search





Future development: Spatial and Statistical Data combined over Arctic



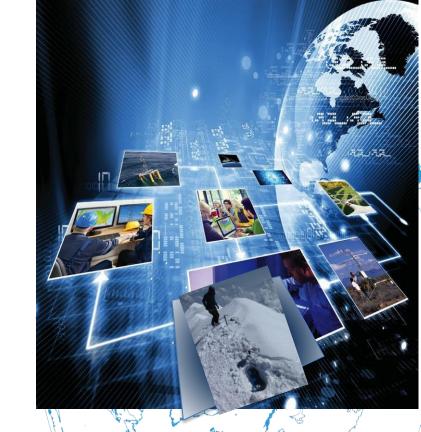


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Arctic SDI Geoportal

Allows discovery, visualization, access, integration and sharing of Arctic data

Aim is to offer the possibility to all interested to use the data and include own data



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Arctic SDI Video on YouTube



Introduction to the Arctic Spatial Data Infrastructure



Arctic Spatial Data Infrastructure



Arctic SDI Fact Sheet



GEOSPATIAL DATA – A TOOL FOR BETTER INFORMED DECISIONS AND MORE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION IN THE ARCTIC

Improved access to geospatial data can help us better to predict, understand and react to changes in the Arctic. Responses to the impact of climate change and human activities in the Arctic requires accessible and reliable data to facilitate monitoring, management, emergency preparedness and decision making.

Important data sets are produced and distributed by many stakeholders – public and private sector – and most of it can be geographically referenced. A spatial data infrastructure provides tools for data distributors to ensure that their geospatial data is easier for users to access, validate and combine with other data.

The Arctic SDI provides such an infrastructure and its development is facilitated by the National Mapping Agencies of the eight Arctic countries.

The Arctic SDI Geoportal and the initial Arctic SDI Reference Map – the basic building blocks in the Arctic Spatial Data Infrastructure are available

 The Arctic SDI Geoportal providing a web map viewer for use by any interested user to access.



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