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Subject: Re: API list of surveys with GPS datasets is incomplete

Posted by [Blake-DHS](#) on Wed, 04 Dec 2024 14:47:08 GMT

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You cannot specify a fileType in a surveys call, only in a datasets call. Below is the correct call for each.

<https://api.dhsprogram.com/rest/dhs/surveys?surveyCharacteristics=26&surveyStatus=completed&f=html>

<https://api.dhsprogram.com/rest/dhs/datasets/?fileType=GE&map;surveyStatus=completed&f=html>

The number of surveys with GPS data collected will not match the number of geospatial datasets available because not all GPS data collected is publicly released for various reasons.

<https://dhsprogram.com/data/available-datasets.cfm>

If the surveyStatus is not specified, the default is surveys with data available in the API. Not all completed surveys have data in the API which is why the total would be less. Pending surveys also do not have data in the API until they are marked as completed.

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