

The Free Brazilian Repository for Open Soil Data (febr)

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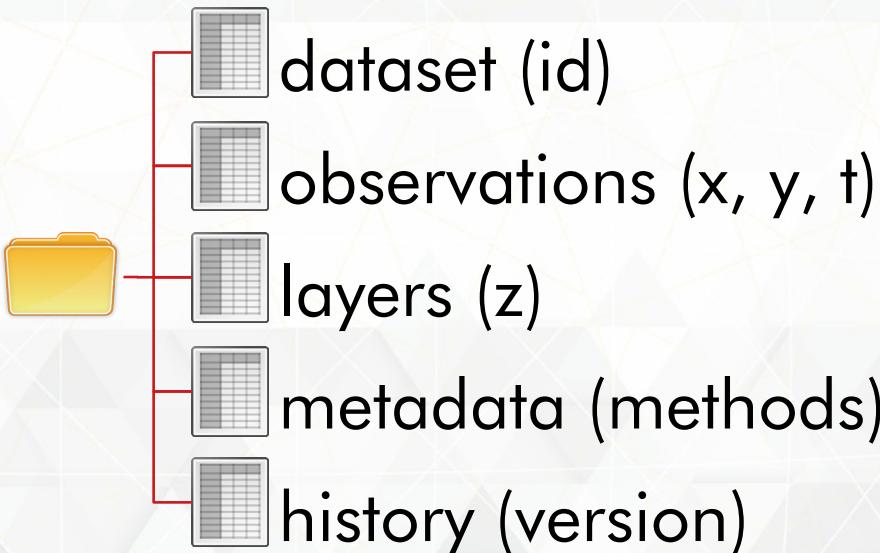
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Data model (tables)



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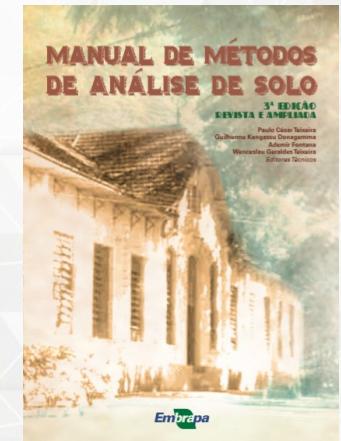
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Naming conventions

- Soil variables → column names

- ph_h2o_25: soil pH determined using a soil:water ratio of 1:2.5
- ph_kcl_25, ph_kcl_10, ph_cacl2_25



Search

Targeted search
JavaScript library jQuery
www.ufsm.br/febr/search

Global visualization
JavaScript library Leaflet
www.ufsm.br/febr/view

Metadata catalog
Static HTML pages
www.ufsm.br/febr/catalog/



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R-package febr

 Select dataset, table, variable;
standardization + harmonization

Installation

```
install.packages("febr"); library(febr)
```

One line to download all data from a dataset

```
dts <- febr(dataset = "ctb0629", variable = "all")
```





Support

Website + Blog

- 👤 Users: www.ufsm.br/febr

Documentation

- 👤 Users: febr-team.github.io/febr-package/
- 👷 Maintainers: www.ufsm.br/febr/book/

Discussion group

- 💻 Users & Maintainers: febr-forum@googlegroups.com

Challenges

What problems do you have in sharing datasets?

46% → Organising data in a presentable, useful way

37% → Unsure about copyright, licensing

33% → Which repository to use?

26% → Lack of time

19% → Costs

Stuart et al. Whitepaper: Practical challenges for researchers in data sharing.
Springer Nature, Figshare, 2018. 30 p. DOI:[10.6084/m9.figshare.5975011](https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.5975011)

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Next phase – two fronts:

1. Soil data rescue

 Collaboration (Google Sheets)

2. Soil data sharing



Management system for data storage and distribution (CKAN)

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