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Toponymic data files and gazetteers: data services, applications and products (for example, gazetteers and web services)

Geoportal.DE: providing a search utility for places, addresses and spatial data sets and services in the context of the spatial data infrastructure of Germany

Summary**

The Geoportal.DE is a common component of the German Federal Government, the Federal States and the municipalities. It was launched in March 2012 and provides insight into the spatial data infrastructure of Germany (GDI-DE). It comprises a search utility for spatial data sets and services, for places and addresses in the context of GDI-DE and several thematic maps covering Germany. The thematic maps will be continuously extended, including a map showing geographical regions of Germany related to tourist information. Geoportal.DE improves transparency and user awareness for GDI-DE. This is likely to reveal potential benefits to decision makers and speed up progress within GDI-DE.

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