## Metadata for the soil texture distribution layer

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<th><strong>Dataset title</strong></th>
<th>Spatial distribution of soil texture distribution for the WHO Regions (Africa, Eastern Mediterranean and part of Europe)</th>
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<td><strong>Geographic location</strong></td>
<td>The layer covers a total of 100 countries (22 for the Eastern Mediterranean, 46 for Africa and 32 for Europe)</td>
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<td><strong>Publication date</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Data exchange format</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Filename</strong></td>
<td>st_t_text, st_s_text, st_spl_t_txt</td>
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<td><strong>Abstract</strong></td>
<td>The present dataset is the digital soil texture of the WHO Regions (Africa, Eastern Mediterranean and part of Europe), derived from 2009 FAO/IIASA/ISRIC/ISSCAS/JRC Harmonized World Soil Database. These dataset includes three soil texture layers for the e-atlas (topsoil texture with 13 classes (st_t_text), subsoil texture with 13 classes (st_s_text) and the simplified topsoil texture with 3 classes (st_spl_t_text)).</td>
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<td><strong>Lineage</strong></td>
<td>The process used to produce the soil texture layer for the WHO Regions (Africa, Eastern Mediterranean and part of Europe) is described in section 4.7 of the Methodology and implementation process for generating the dataset document that can be found in the first volume (2nd version) of the WHO e-atlas of disaster risk for the WHO Regions (Africa, Eastern Mediterranean and part of Europe)</td>
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<td><strong>Data quality comments</strong></td>
<td>Reliability of the information contained in the database is variable: the parts of the database that still make use of the Soil Map of the World such as west Africa and south Asia are considered less reliable, while most of the areas covered by SOTER databases are considered to have the highest reliability (central and southern Africa, central and eastern Europe). Even if the dataset covers the 100 countries comprising the WHO Regions, some islands were not mapped; they have been assigned to “no data”</td>
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