

Introducing...



UNLV

DataNet

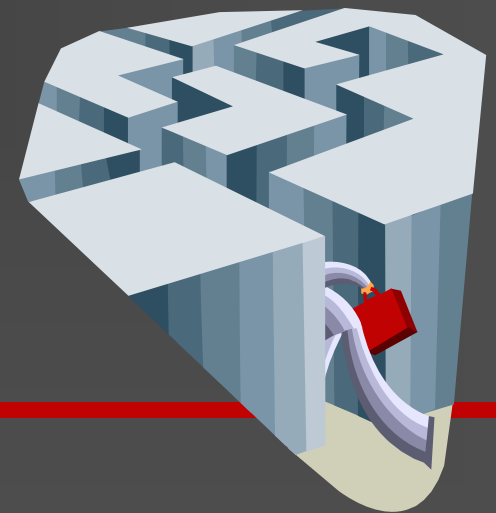
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Overview

- Background and project goals
 - About the data
 - Where the data come from
 - Data distinctions
 - Demonstration of application
 - Getting access
 - Your questions
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In the Beginning...

- Planning Initiative Award, 2002-03
- Extend the capacity of IAP to provide management information to UNLV faculty and administrators



Project Goals

- Make student data directly accessible to campus users
 - Improve data through use, with SIS remaining the official data repository
 - Create data warehouse populated with census data from SIS
 - Develop application to make data accessible via a secure, user-friendly website
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Accessible

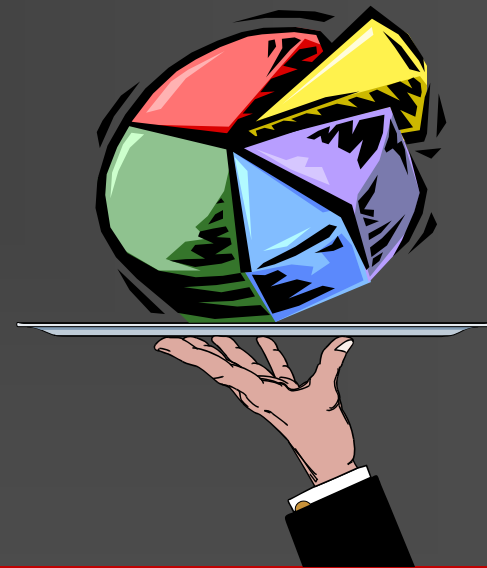
- Selected SIS elements
 - Census files
 - Data definitions
 - User-friendly web interface
 - Alternative to FOCUS programming
 - Electronic access approval
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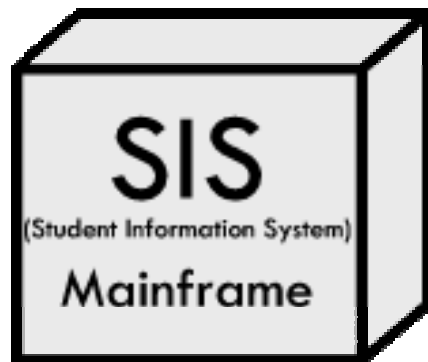
Secure

- Policy agreement between institution and user
 - Access approval through supervisor and data steward
 - Security certificates assigned to individual employees
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About the Data...

- Where does it come from?
- What are its attributes?
- What does it measure?





- Official, core student data system
- Stores student transactions
- Maintained by SEFS and UCCSN



- Clients access the DataNet web application to run reports



- Extracts from SIS populate the IAP Data Warehouse
- Census vs. Production Data
- Accessed by DataNet web application

About the Data...

- What are its attributes?
 - Census data
 - Point in time snapshot useful for trend analysis
 - Mostly from official SIS statfiles
 - Some production data saved as census data
 - Term data
 - Reports term activity only (e.g. Fall 2001, Spring 2002, etc.)
 - Unedited
 - What's on SIS is what you'll see
 - DataNet reports may differ from official figures

Still *More* About the Data...

- What does it measure?
 - Enrollments: Headcount and FTE
 - Of students in the university
 - Of students in specific courses
 - Of majors in a given program of study
 - Not as straightforward as it might seem
 - How many students in the English department?
 - Freshmen vs. first-time freshmen
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Wake up, Mike!

It's time for
the demo!

Who Is DataNet For?

- UNLV employees
 - Solid understanding of data attributes and report definition and design
 - Positions that have intensive SIS reporting requirements
 - Uses include program planning, assessment, and accreditation reporting
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Getting Access (You know you want it)

- Technical Requirements

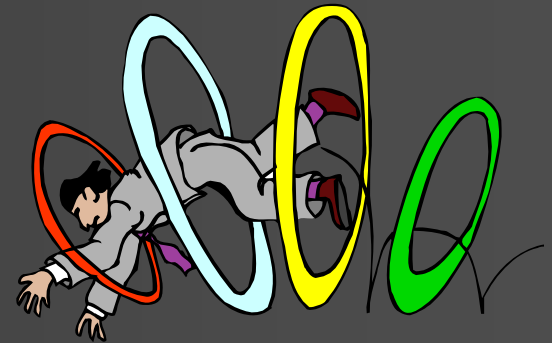
- Internet Explorer 6.x or Netscape 7.x with javascript and cookies enabled
- Experience with data software such as Excel and Access
- Lotus Notes

- How to Request DataNet Access

- Visit the IAP home page at <http://ir.unlv.edu> after October 15
 - Click the DataNet link toward the bottom of the page
 - Follow the instructions
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Getting Access (continued)

- Electronic Approval Process
 - Policy Agreement
 - FERPA
- Training
 - Required
 - Nominal cost
 - We'll notify applicants of date and time
- Security Certificates



Questions?



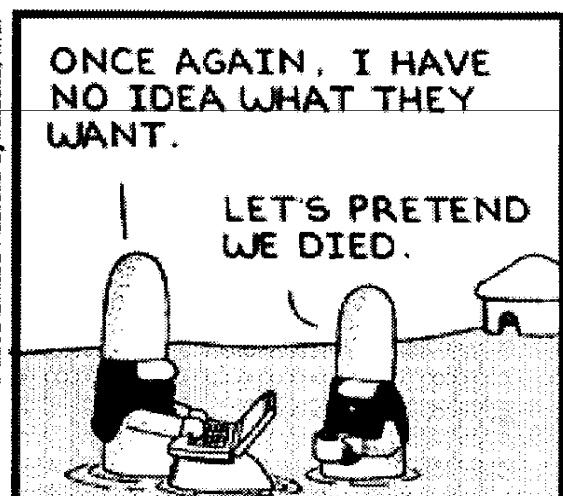
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