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|--------------|--------------------------------|
| addWaterYear | <i>add a water year column</i> |
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### Description

Add a column to the dataRetrieval data frame with the water year. WQP queries will return a water year column for the start and end dates of the data.

### Usage

```
addWaterYear(rawData)
```

### Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| rawData | the daily- or unit-values dataset retrieved from NWISweb. Must have at least one of the following columns to add the new water year columns: dateTime, Date, ActivityStartDate, or ActivityEndDate. The date column(s) can be character, POSIXct, Date. They cannot be numeric. |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

### Value

data.frame with an additional integer column with "WY" appended to the date column name. For WQP, there will be 2 columns: ActivityStartDateWY and ActivityEndDateWY.

### Examples

```
# nwisData <- readNWISdv("04085427", "00060", "2022-01-01", "2022-06-30")
# nwisData <- addWaterYear(nwisData)

# wqpData <- readWQPqw("USGS-01594440", "01075", "", "")
# wqpData <- addWaterYear(wqpData)
```

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|---------------|-------------------------------|
| calcWaterYear | <i>Extract WY from a date</i> |
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### Description

Determine the correct water year based on a calendar date.

### Usage

```
calcWaterYear(dateVec)
```

**Arguments**

dateVec                vector of dates as character ("YYYY-DD-MM"), Date, or POSIXct. Numeric does not work.

**Details**

This function calculates a water year based on the USGS definition that a water year starts on October 1 of the year before, and ends on September 30. For example, water year 2015 started on 2014-10-01 and ended on 2015-09-30.

**Value**

numeric vector indicating the water year

**Examples**

```
x <- seq(as.Date("2010-01-01"), as.Date("2010-12-31"), by = "month")
calcWaterYear(x)

y <- c("2010-01-01", "1994-02", "1980", "2009-11-01", NA)
calcWaterYear(y)
```

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checkWQPdates

*Date Check for Water Quality Portal*


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**Description**

Checks date format for inputs to the Water Quality Portal. Used in readWQPqw and readWQPdata.

**Usage**

```
checkWQPdates(values)
```

**Arguments**

values                named list with arguments to send to the Water Quality Portal

**Value**

values named list with corrected arguments to send to the Water Quality Portal

**Examples**

```
values <- list(
  startDateLo = "01-01-2002",
  characteristicName = "Phosphorous",
  endDate = as.Date("2014-01-01")
)
values <- checkWQPdates(values)
```

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`check_waterdata_sample_params`*Check values from codeservice*

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## Description

Call a service to check on values from: <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/samples-data/codeservice/docs>.

## Usage

```
check_waterdata_sample_params(service = "characteristicgroup", ...)
```

## Arguments

|                      |                                                                                                                                         |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>service</code> | Options are: "characteristicgroup", "states", "counties", "countries", "sitetype", "samplemedia", "characteristics", "observedproperty" |
| <code>...</code>     | Optional additional query arguments. Only "characteristics" and "observedproperty" have additional parameters options.                  |

## Value

List, structure depends on service.

## Examples

```
groups <- check_waterdata_sample_params("characteristicgroup")
states <- check_waterdata_sample_params("states")
countries <- check_waterdata_sample_params("countries")
counties <- check_waterdata_sample_params("counties")
sitetypes <- check_waterdata_sample_params("sitetype")
samplemedia <- check_waterdata_sample_params("samplemedia")
characteristics <- check_waterdata_sample_params("characteristics",
  group = "Biological")
observedProperties <- check_waterdata_sample_params("observedproperty",
  text = "phosphorus")
ref_list <- check_waterdata_sample_params("reference-list")
```

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|------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| constructNWISURL | <i>Construct NWIS url for data retrieval</i> |
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## Description

Using USGS water web services to construct urls.

## Usage

```
constructNWISURL(
  siteNumbers,
  parameterCd = "00060",
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  service,
  statCd = "00003",
  format = "xml",
  expanded = TRUE,
  ratingType = "base",
  statReportType = "daily",
  statType = "mean"
)
```

## Arguments

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| siteNumbers | string or vector of strings USGS site number. This is usually an 8 digit number                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| parameterCd | string or vector of USGS parameter code. This is usually an 5 digit number.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| startDate   | character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| endDate     | character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| service     | string USGS service to call. Possible values are "dv" (daily values), "uv" (unit/instantaneous values), and "rating" (rating curve), "peak", "stat" (statistics web service BETA).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| statCd      | string or vector USGS statistic code only used for daily value service. This is usually 5 digits. Daily mean (00003) is the default.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| format      | string, can be "tsv" or "xml", and is only applicable for daily and unit value requests. "tsv" returns results faster, but there is a possibility that an incomplete file is returned without warning. XML is slower, but will offer a warning if the file was incomplete (for example, if there was a momentary problem with the internet connection). It is possible to safely use the "tsv" option, but the user must carefully check the results to see if the data returns matches what is expected. The default is therefore "xml". |
| expanded    | logical defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, retrieves additional information, only applicable for qw data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| ratingType  | can be "base", "corr", or "exsa". Only applies to rating curve data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

**statReportType** character Only used for statistics service requests. Time division for statistics: daily, monthly, or annual. Default is daily. Note that daily provides statistics for each calendar day over the specified range of water years, i.e. no more than 366 data points will be returned for each site/parameter. Use readNWISdata or readNWISdv for daily averages. Also note that "annual" returns statistics for the calendar year. Use readNWISdata for water years. Monthly and yearly provide statistics for each month and year within the range individually.

**statType** character Only used for statistics service requests. Type(s) of statistics to output for daily values. Default is mean, which is the only option for monthly and yearly report types.

### Value

url string

### Examples

```
site_id <- "01594440"
startDate <- "1985-01-01"
endDate <- ""
pCode <- c("00060", "00010")
url_daily <- constructNWISURL(site_id, pCode,
  startDate, endDate, "dv",
  statCd = c("00003", "00001")
)
url_unit <- constructNWISURL(site_id, pCode, "2012-06-28", "2012-06-30", "iv")

url_daily_tsv <- constructNWISURL(site_id, pCode, startDate, endDate, "dv",
  statCd = c("00003", "00001"), format = "tsv"
)
url_rating <- constructNWISURL(site_id, service = "rating", ratingType = "base")
url_peak <- constructNWISURL(site_id, service = "peak")
```

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constructWQPURL

*Construct WQP url for data retrieval*

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### Description

Construct WQP url for data retrieval. This function gets the data from here: <https://www.waterqualitydata.us>

### Usage

```
constructWQPURL(siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate, endDate, legacy = TRUE)
```

Arguments

|             |                                                                                                                                                           |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| siteNumbers | string or vector of strings USGS site number.                                                                                                             |
| parameterCd | string or vector of USGS parameter code. This is usually an 5 digit number.                                                                               |
| startDate   | character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.              |
| endDate     | character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.                  |
| legacy      | Logical. If TRUE, uses legacy WQP services. Default is TRUE. Setting legacy = FALSE uses WQX3.0 WQP services, which are in-development, use with caution. |

Value

url string

Examples

```
site_ids <- c("USGS-02292010", "USGS-02276877")
startDate <- "2020-01-01"
endDate <- ""
pCode <- c("80154", "00613")
url_wqp <- constructWQPURL(
  site_ids,
  pCode,
  startDate, endDate
)
url_wqp
charNames <- c(
  "Temperature",
  "Temperature, sample",
  "Temperature, water",
  "Temperature, water, deg F"
)
obs_url_orig <- constructWQPURL(
  siteNumbers = c(
    "IIDFG-41WSSPAHS",
    "USGS-02352560"
  ),
  parameterCd = charNames,
  startDate, ""
)
obs_url_orig
```

**Description**

Classic lookup table for counties. Has been replaced in functions with `check_waterdata_sample_params("counties")`.

**Value**

countyCd data frame.

| Name        | Type      | Description             |
|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| STUSAB      | character | State abbreviation      |
| STATE       | character | two-digit ANSI code     |
| COUNTY      | character | three-digit county code |
| COUNTY_NAME | character | County full name        |
| COUNTY_ID   | character | County id               |

**Examples**

```
head(countyCd)
```

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|                |                               |
|----------------|-------------------------------|
| countyCdLookup | <i>US county code look up</i> |
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**Description**

Function to simplify finding county and county code definitions. Used in `readNWISdata` and `readNWISuse`. Currently only has US counties.

**Usage**

```
countyCdLookup(state, county, outputType = "fips")
```

**Arguments**

|            |                                                                     |
|------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| state      | could be character (full name, abbreviation, id), or numeric (id)   |
| county     | could be character (name, with or without "County") or numeric (id) |
| outputType | character can be "fullName", "tableIndex", "id", or "fullEntry".    |

**Examples**

```
fips <- countyCdLookup(state = "WI", county = "Dane")
id <- countyCdLookup(state = "WI", county = "Dane", outputType = "id")
name <- countyCdLookup(state = "OH", county = 13, output = "fullName")
entry <- countyCdLookup(state = "Pennsylvania", county = "ALLEGHENY COUNTY", output = "fullEntry")
fromIDs <- countyCdLookup(state = 13, county = 5, output = "fullName")
```

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|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| create_NWIS_bib | <i>Create NWIS data citation</i> |
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**Description**

Uses attributes from the NWIS functions to create data citations.

**Usage**

```
create_NWIS_bib(x)
```

**Arguments**

|   |                                                                                                                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x | Any data returned from an NWIS function, must include "queryTime" and "url" attributes, which should come with the data by default. |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

**Details**

See ?bibentry for more information.

**Value**

bibentry object to use for citing the data.

**Examples**

```
nwisData <- read_waterdata_daily(monitoring_location_id = "USGS-04085427",
                                parameter_code = "00060",
                                time = c("2012-01-01", "2012-06-30"))
nwis_citation <- create_NWIS_bib(nwisData)
nwis_citation

print(nwis_citation, style = "Bibtex")
print(nwis_citation, style = "citation")
```

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|                |                                 |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| create_WQP_bib | <i>Create WQP data citation</i> |
|----------------|---------------------------------|

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**Description**

Uses attributes from the WQP functions to create data citations.

**Usage**

```
create_WQP_bib(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                      Any data returned from an NWIS function, must include "queryTime" and "url" attributes, which should come with the data by default.

**Details**

See ?bibentry for more information.

**Value**

bibentry object to use for citing the data.

**Examples**

```
# WQPData <- readWQPqw("USGS-05288705",
#                       parameterCd = "00300")
# wqp_citation <- create_WQP_bib(WQPData)
# wqp_citation

# print(wqp_citation, style = "Bibtex")
# print(wqp_citation, style = "citation")
```

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findNLDI

*R Client for the Network Linked Data Index*


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**Description**

Provides a formal client to the USGS Network Linked Data Index.

**Usage**

```
findNLDI(
  comid = NULL,
  nwis = NULL,
  wqp = NULL,
  huc12 = NULL,
  location = NULL,
  origin = NULL,
  nav = NULL,
  find = c("flowlines"),
  distance_km = 100,
  no_sf = FALSE,
  warn = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

|                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>comid</code>       | numeric or character. An NHDPlusV2 COMID                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <code>nwis</code>        | numeric or character. A USGS NWIS surface water siteID                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <code>wqp</code>         | numeric or character. A water quality point ID                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <code>huc12</code>       | numeric or character. A WBD HUC12 unit ID                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <code>location</code>    | numeric vector. Coordinate pair in WGS84 SRS ordered lng/lat (X,Y)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <code>origin</code>      | named list. Specifying a feature type and ID (e.g. <code>list("comid" = 101)</code> )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <code>nav</code>         | character vector. where to navigate from the starting point. Options include along the upper mainstream (UM), upstream tributary (UT), downstream mainstem (DM) and downstream divergences (DD). You may select one or more of the abbreviations ("UM", "UT", "DM", "DD").                                                                                                                                        |
| <code>find</code>        | character vector. Define what resources to find along the navigation path(s) (see <code>get_nldi_sources()</code> \$source). Can also include 'basin' or 'flowline', which will return the upstream basin of the starting feature or flowlines along the navigation respectively. The default is "flowlines". If you provide any other resource, AND want flowlines, then flowlines must be explicitly requested. |
| <code>distance_km</code> | numeric. Define how far to look along the navigation path in kilometers (default = 100)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <code>no_sf</code>       | if available, should sf be used for parsing, defaults to TRUE if sf is locally installed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <code>warn</code>        | (default TRUE) should warnings be printed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

**Details**

The function is useful for topology and location based feature discovery. A user must specify an origin feature, optional navigation direction(s) along the network, as well as features to identify along the navigated paths. Valid starting options can be given by one of the following arguments: `comid`, `nwis`, `huc12`, `wqp`, `location`, and `start`.

**Value**

a list of data.frames if sf is not installed, a list of sf objects if it is

**Examples**

```
# Find Features / Define origin features

## Find feature by COMID
findNLDI(comid = 101)

## Find feature by NWIS ID
findNLDI(nwis = "11120000")

## Find feature by LOCATION
```

```

findNLDI(location = c(-115, 40))

## GENERAL ORIGIN: COMID
findNLDI(origin = list("comid" = 101))

# Navigation (flowlines will be returned if find is unspecified)
# UPPER MAINSTEM of USGS-11120000
findNLDI(nwis = "11120000", nav = "UM")

# MULTI-REQUEST
# UPPER MAINSTEM and TRIBUTARY of USGS-11120000
findNLDI(nwis = "11120000", nav = c("UT", "UM"))

# Discover Features(flowlines will not be returned unless included in find)

## Find feature(s) on the upper tributary of USGS-11120000
findNLDI(nwis = "11120000", nav = "UT", find = c("nwis"))

## Find upstream basin boundary and of USGS-11120000
findNLDI(nwis = "11120000", find = "basin")

# Control Distance
## Limit search to 50 km
findNLDI(comid = 101, nav = "DM", find = c("nwis", "flowlines"), distance_km = 50)

```

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getQuerySummary

*getting header information from a WQP query*

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## Description

getting header information from a WQP query

## Usage

```
getQuerySummary(url)
```

## Arguments

url                      the query url

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|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| getWebServiceData | <i>Function to return data from web services</i> |
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### Description

This function accepts a url parameter, and returns the raw data.

### Usage

```
getWebServiceData(obs_url, ...)
```

### Arguments

|         |                                                |
|---------|------------------------------------------------|
| obs_url | character containing the url for the retrieval |
| ...     | information to pass to header request          |

### Details

To add a custom user agent, create an environmental variable: CUSTOM\_DR\_UA

### Value

Returns xml, json, or text depending on the requested data.

### Examples

```
siteNumber <- "02177000"
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"
offering <- "00003"
property <- "00060"
obs_url <- constructNWISURL(siteNumber, property, startDate, endDate, "dv")

rawData <- getWebServiceData(obs_url)
```

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| get_monitoring_location_arguments | <i>Get Monitoring Location Arguments</i> |
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### Description

Many read\_waterdata functions have a long list of arguments that can be used to find sites that have data. Users can use this function as a reference of possible arguments that can be used as input. Additionally, this function is also used by other functions to check that the user supplied parameters are available to their queries

**Usage**

```

get_monitoring_location_arguments(
  service = "daily",
  agency_code = NA_character_,
  agency_name = NA_character_,
  monitoring_location_number = NA_character_,
  monitoring_location_name = NA_character_,
  district_code = NA_character_,
  country_code = NA_character_,
  country_name = NA_character_,
  state_code = NA_character_,
  state_name = NA_character_,
  county_code = NA_character_,
  county_name = NA_character_,
  minor_civil_division_code = NA_character_,
  site_type_code = NA_character_,
  site_type = NA_character_,
  hydrologic_unit_code = NA_character_,
  basin_code = NA_character_,
  altitude = NA_character_,
  altitude_accuracy = NA_character_,
  altitude_method_code = NA_character_,
  altitude_method_name = NA_character_,
  vertical_datum = NA_character_,
  vertical_datum_name = NA_character_,
  horizontal_positional_accuracy_code = NA_character_,
  horizontal_positional_accuracy = NA_character_,
  horizontal_position_method_code = NA_character_,
  horizontal_position_method_name = NA_character_,
  original_horizontal_datum = NA_character_,
  original_horizontal_datum_name = NA_character_,
  drainage_area = NA_character_,
  contributing_drainage_area = NA_character_,
  time_zone_abbreviation = NA_character_,
  uses_daylight_savings = NA_character_,
  construction_date = NA_character_,
  aquifer_code = NA_character_,
  national_aquifer_code = NA_character_,
  aquifer_type_code = NA_character_,
  well_constructed_depth = NA_character_,
  hole_constructed_depth = NA_character_,
  depth_source_code = NA_character_,
  data_gap_interval = NA_character_,
  ...,
  check_arguments = FALSE
)

```

**Arguments**

|                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| service                    | Endpoint to check arguments against. Possible values are "daily", "latest-continuous", "field-measurements", "latest-daily", "latest-field-measurements", "continuous", "peaks".                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| agency_code                | The agency that is reporting the data. Agency codes are fixed values assigned by the National Water Information System (NWIS). A list of agency codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                        |
| agency_name                | The name of the agency that is reporting the data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| monitoring_location_number | Each monitoring location in the USGS data base has a unique 8- to 15-digit identification number.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| monitoring_location_name   | This is the official name of the monitoring location in the database. For well information this can be a district-assigned local number.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| district_code              | The Water Science Centers (WSCs) across the United States use the FIPS state code as the district code. In some case, monitoring locations and samples may be managed by a water science center that is adjacent to the state in which the monitoring location actually resides. For example a monitoring location may have a district code of 30 which translates to Montana, but the state code could be 56 for Wyoming because that is where the monitoring location actually is located. |
| country_code               | The code for the country in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| country_name               | The name of the country in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| state_code                 | State code. A <b>two-digit ANSI code</b> (formerly FIPS code) as defined by the American National Standards Institute, to define States and equivalents. A three-digit ANSI code is used to define counties and county equivalents. <b>A lookup table is available.</b> The only countries with political subdivisions other than the US are Mexico and Canada. The Mexican states have US state codes ranging from 81-86 and Canadian provinces have state codes ranging from 90-98.        |
| state_name                 | The name of the state or state equivalent in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| county_code                | The code for the county or county equivalent (parish, borough, etc.) in which the monitoring location is located. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| county_name                | The name of the county or county equivalent (parish, borough, etc.) in which the monitoring location is located. [A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| minor_civil_division_code  | Codes for primary governmental or administrative divisions of the county or county equivalent in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| site_type_code             | A code describing the hydrologic setting of the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| site_type                           | A description of the hydrologic setting of the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items</a> .                                                                       |
| hydrologic_unit_code                | The hydrologic unit code (HUC) for the monitoring location. Supports prefix matching — querying with a shorter HUC (e.g. "04") matches all locations within that hydrologic region.                                                                                                                                                   |
| basin_code                          | The Basin Code or "drainage basin code" is a two-digit code that further subdivides the 8-digit hydrologic-unit code. The drainage basin code is defined by the USGS State Office where the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                           |
| altitude                            | Altitude of the monitoring location referenced to the specified Vertical Datum.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| altitude_accuracy                   | Accuracy of the altitude, in feet. An accuracy of +/- 0.1 foot would be entered as ".1". Many altitudes are interpolated from the contours on topographic maps; accuracies determined in this way are generally entered as one-half of the contour interval.                                                                          |
| altitude_method_code                | Codes representing the method used to measure altitude.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| altitude_method_name                | The name of the method used to measure altitude.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| vertical_datum                      | The datum used to determine altitude and vertical position at the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items</a> .                                          |
| vertical_datum_name                 | The datum used to determine altitude and vertical position at the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items</a> .                                          |
| horizontal_positional_accuracy_code | Indicates the accuracy of the latitude longitude values. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-accuracy-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-accuracy-codes/items</a> .                                                    |
| horizontal_positional_accuracy      | The agency that is reporting the data. Agency codes are fixed values assigned by the National Water Information System (NWIS). A list of agency codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items</a> . |
| horizontal_position_method_code     | Indicates the method used to determine latitude longitude values. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items</a> .                                               |
| horizontal_position_method_name     | Indicates the method used to determine latitude longitude values. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items</a> .                                               |
| original_horizontal_datum           | Coordinates are published in EPSG:4326 / WGS84 / World Geodetic System 1984. This field indicates the original datum used to determine coordinates be-                                                                                                                                                                                |

|                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                | <p>fore they were converted. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| original_horizontal_datum_name | <p>Coordinates are published in EPSG:4326 / WGS84 / World Geodetic System 1984. This field indicates the original datum used to determine coordinates before they were converted. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| drainage_area                  | <p>The area enclosed by a topographic divide from which direct surface runoff from precipitation normally drains by gravity into the stream above that point.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| contributing_drainage_area     | <p>The contributing drainage area of a lake, stream, wetland, or estuary monitoring location, in square miles. This item should be present only if the contributing area is different from the total drainage area. This situation can occur when part of the drainage area consists of very porous soil or depressions that either allow all runoff to enter the groundwater or traps the water in ponds so that rainfall does not contribute to runoff. A transbasin diversion can also affect the total drainage area.</p>                                                                                                           |
| time_zone_abbreviation         | <p>A short code describing the time zone used by a monitoring location.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| uses_daylight_savings          | <p>The agency that is reporting the data. Agency codes are fixed values assigned by the National Water Information System (NWIS). A list of agency codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| construction_date              | <p>Date the well was completed.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| aquifer_code                   | <p>Local aquifers in the USGS water resources data base are identified by a hydrologic unit code (a three-digit number related to the age of the formation, followed by a 4 or 5 character abbreviation for the geologic unit or aquifer name).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| national_aquifer_code          | <p>National aquifers are the principal aquifers or aquifer systems in the United States, defined as regionally extensive aquifers or aquifer systems that have the potential to be used as a source of potable water. Not all groundwater monitoring locations can be associated with a National Aquifer. Such monitoring locations will not be retrieved using this search criteria. A list of National aquifer codes and names is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/national-aquifer-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/national-aquifer-codes/items</a>.</p> |
| aquifer_type_code              | <p>The agency that is reporting the data. Agency codes are fixed values assigned by the National Water Information System (NWIS). A list of agency codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| well_constructed_depth         | <p>The depth of the finished well, in feet below land surface datum. Note: Not all groundwater monitoring locations have information on Well Depth. Such monitoring locations will not be retrieved using this search criteria.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

|                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| hole_constructed_depth | The total depth to which the hole is drilled, in feet below land surface datum. Note: Not all groundwater monitoring locations have information on Hole Depth. Such monitoring locations will not be retrieved using this search criteria.                                                                        |
| depth_source_code      | A code indicating the source of water-level data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| data_gap_interval      | The time interval threshold used for gap detection in the time series.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| ...                    | Not used. Used to make sure the user isn't passing in arguments that aren't available.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| check_arguments        | Logical. Used to decide if the arguments passed in are available or not. The default is FALSE. Using TRUE will make two calls to the API, so if you are concerned with minimizing API calls, keep this value as FALSE. If you are concerned with making sure your calls are accepted by the service, set to TRUE. |

### Examples

```
get_monitoring_location_arguments(service = "daily", agency_name = "USGS")
get_monitoring_location_arguments(service = "field-measurements",
                                  state_name = c("Ohio", "Wisconsin"))
```

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|                  |                                   |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| get_nldi_sources | <i>Get current NLDI offerings</i> |
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### Description

Used to query the current resources available through the NLDI

### Usage

```
get_nldi_sources(url = getOption("dataRetrieval.nldi_base"))
```

### Arguments

|     |                                                                   |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| url | URL for NLDI sources. Default is supplied by package environment. |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------|

### Value

data.frame

### Examples

```
get_nldi_sources()
```

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|                |                                   |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| get_ogc_params | <i>Get parameter descriptions</i> |
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**Description**

This function returns a list of properties available from an endpoint. When available, it will also contain a description.

**Usage**

```
get_ogc_params(service, base = "OGC")
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                     |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| service | Character, can be any of the USGS Waterdata API endpoints or collections.           |
| base    | Either "OGC" for waterdata, or "NGWMN" for National Groundwater Monitoring Network. |

**Value**

list

**Examples**

```
ml <- dataRetrieval::get_ogc_params("monitoring-locations")
ml$national_aquifer_code
```

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|             |                                                                                                  |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| importNGWMN | <i>Function to return data from the National Ground Water Monitoring Network waterML2 format</i> |
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**Description**

This function accepts a url parameter for a WaterML2 getObservation. This function is still under development, but the general functionality is correct.

**Usage**

```
importNGWMN(input, asDateTime = FALSE, tz = "UTC")
```

**Arguments**

|            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| input      | character or raw, containing the url for the retrieval or a path to the data file, or raw XML.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| asDateTime | logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, character                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| tz         | character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided time zone offset. Possible values to provide are "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight savings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also <code>OlsonNames()</code> for more information on time zones. |

**Value**

mergedDF a data frame source, time, value, uom, uomTitle, comment, gmlID

**Examples**

```

params <- list(request = "GetObservation",
               service = "SOS",
               version = "2.0.0",
               observedProperty = "urn:ogc:def:property:OGC:GroundWaterLevel",
               responseFormat = "text/xml",
               featureOfInterest = "VW_GWDP_GEOSERVER.USGS.403836085374401")

obs_url <- httr2::request("https://cida.usgs.gov") |>
  httr2::req_url_path_append("ngwmn_cache") |>
  httr2::req_url_path_append("sos") |>
  httr2::req_url_query(!!!params)

#data_returned <- importNGWMN(obs_url)

```

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importRDB1

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*Function to return data from the NWIS RDB 1.0 format*


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**Description**

This function accepts a url parameter that already contains the desired NWIS site, parameter code, statistic, startdate and enddate. It is not recommended to use the RDB format for importing multi-site data.

**Usage**

```
importRDB1(obs_url, asDateTime = TRUE, convertType = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

**Arguments**

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| obs_url     | character containing the url for the retrieval or a file path to the data file.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| asDateTime  | logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, Date                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| convertType | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| tz          | character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default converts the datetimes to UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column). Recommended US values include "UTC", "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". For a complete list, see <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_tz_database_time_zones">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_tz_database_time_zones</a> |

**Value**

A data frame with the following columns:

| Name           | Type                              | Description                                                                                                            |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| agency_cd      | character                         | The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data                                                                        |
| site_no        | character                         | The USGS site number                                                                                                   |
| datetime       | POSIXct                           | The date and time of the value converted to UTC (if asDateTime = TRUE) or raw character string (if asDateTime = FALSE) |
| tz_cd          | character                         | The time zone code for datetime                                                                                        |
| code           | character                         | Any codes that qualify the corresponding value                                                                         |
| value          | numeric                           | The numeric value for the parameter                                                                                    |
| tz_cd_reported | The originally reported time zone |                                                                                                                        |

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form XD\_P\_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable). If a date/time (dt) column contained incomplete date and times, a new column of dates and time was inserted. This could happen when older data was reported as dates, and newer data was reported as a date/time.

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

| Name      | Type      | Description                       |
|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| url       | character | The url used to generate the data |
| queryTime | POSIXct   | The time the data was returned    |
| comment   | character | Header comments from the RDB file |

## Examples

```

site_id <- "02177000"
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"
offering <- "00003"
property <- "00060"

obs_url <- constructNWISURL(site_id, property,
  startDate, endDate, "dv",
  format = "tsv"
)

data <- importRDB1(obs_url)

urlMultiPcodes <- constructNWISURL("04085427", c("00060", "00010"),
  startDate, endDate, "dv",
  statCd = c("00003", "00001"), "tsv"
)

multiData <- importRDB1(urlMultiPcodes)

unitDataURL <- constructNWISURL(site_id, property,
  "2020-10-30", "2020-11-01", "uv",
  format = "tsv"
) # includes timezone switch

unitData <- importRDB1(unitDataURL, asDateTime = TRUE)

iceSite <- "04024000"
start <- "2015-11-09"
end <- "2015-11-24"
urlIce <- constructNWISURL(iceSite, "00060", start, end, "uv", format = "tsv")

ice <- importRDB1(urlIce, asDateTime = TRUE)
iceNoConvert <- importRDB1(urlIce, convertType = FALSE)

# User file:
filePath <- system.file("extdata", package = "dataRetrieval")
fileName <- "RDB1Example.txt"
fullPath <- file.path(filePath, fileName)
importUserRDB <- importRDB1(fullPath)

```

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importWaterML1

Function to return data from the NWISWeb WaterML1.1 service

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## Description

This function accepts a url parameter that already contains the desired NWIS site, parameter code, statistic, startdate and enddate.

**Usage**

```
importWaterML1(obs_url, asDateTime = FALSE, tz = "UTC")
```

**Arguments**

**obs\_url** character or raw, containing the url for the retrieval or a file path to the data file, or raw XML.

**asDateTime** logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, Date

**tz** character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default converts the datetimes to UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz\_cd column). Recommended US values include "UTC", "America/New\_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". For a complete list, see [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_tz\\_database\\_time\\_zones](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_tz_database_time_zones)

**Value**

A data frame with the following columns:

| Name      | Type      | Description                                                             |
|-----------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| agency_cd | character | The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data                         |
| site_no   | character | The USGS site number                                                    |
|           | POSIXct   | The date and time of the value converted to UTC (if asDateTime = TRUE), |
|           | character | or raw character string (if asDateTime = FALSE)                         |
| tz_cd     | character | The time zone code for                                                  |
| code      | character | Any codes that qualify the corresponding value                          |
| value     | numeric   | The numeric value for the parameter                                     |

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form X\_D\_P\_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

| Name          | Type       | Description                                                                 |
|---------------|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| url           | character  | The url used to generate the data                                           |
| siteInfo      | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested sites                  |
| variableInfo  | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested parameters             |
| statisticInfo | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data |
| queryTime     | POSIXct    | The time the data was returned                                              |

**See Also**

[renameNWISColumns\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```

site_id <- "02177000"
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"
offering <- "00003"
property <- "00060"
obs_url <- constructNWISURL(site_id, property, startDate, endDate, "dv")

data <- importWaterML1(obs_url, asDateTime = TRUE)

unitDataURL <- constructNWISURL(
  site_id, property,
  "2013-11-03", "2013-11-03", "uv"
)
unitData <- importWaterML1(unitDataURL, TRUE)

# Two sites, two pcodes, one site has two data descriptors:
siteNumber <- c("01480015", "04085427")
obs_url <- constructNWISURL(
  siteNumber, c("00060", "00010"),
  startDate, endDate, "dv"
)
data <- importWaterML1(obs_url)
data$dateTime <- as.Date(data$dateTime)
data <- renameNWISColumns(data)
names(attributes(data))
attr(data, "url")
attr(data, "disclaimer")

inactiveSite <- "05212700"
inactiveSite <- constructNWISURL(inactiveSite, "00060",
  "2014-01-01", "2014-01-10", "dv")
inactiveSite <- importWaterML1(inactiveSite)

inactiveAndActive <- c("07334200", "05212700")
inactiveAndActive <- constructNWISURL(inactiveAndActive,
  "00060", "2014-01-01", "2014-01-10", "dv")
inactiveAndActive <- importWaterML1(inactiveAndActive)

# Timezone change with specified local timezone:
tzURL <- constructNWISURL("04027000", c("00300", "63680"),
  "2011-11-05", "2011-11-07", "uv")
tzIssue <- importWaterML1(tzURL,
  asDateTime = TRUE, tz = "America/Chicago"
)

filePath <- system.file("extdata", package = "dataRetrieval")
fileName <- "WaterML1Example.xml"
fullPath <- file.path(filePath, fileName)
importFile <- importWaterML1(fullPath, TRUE)

```

importWaterML2

*Parse the WaterML2 timeseries portion of a waterML2 file***Description**

Returns data frame columns of all information with each time series measurement; Anything defined as a default, is returned as an attribute of that data frame.

**Usage**

```
importWaterML2(input, asDateTime = FALSE, tz = "UTC")
```

**Arguments**

|            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| input      | XML with only the wml2:MeasurementTimeseries node and children                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| asDateTime | logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, character                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| tz         | character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default is an empty quote, which converts the datetimes to UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided time zone offset). Possible values are "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla" |

**Examples**

```
baseURL <- httr2::request("https://waterservices.usgs.gov/nwis/dv")
baseURL <- httr2::req_url_query(baseURL,
                                format = "waterml,2.0",
                                sites = "01646500",
                                startDT = "2014-09-01",
                                endDT = "2014-09-08",
                                statCd = "00003",
                                parameterCd = "00060" )

timeseries <- importWaterML2(baseURL, asDateTime = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

importWQP

*Basic Water Quality Portal Data parser***Description**

Imports data from the Water Quality Portal based on a specified url.

**Usage**

```
importWQP(obs_url, tz = "UTC", csv = TRUE, convertType = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| obs_url     | character URL to Water Quality Portal#' @keywords data import USGS web service                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| tz          | character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default is UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column). Possible values include "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla" |
| csv         | logical. Is the data coming back with a csv or tsv format. Default is FALSE. Currently, the summary service does not support tsv, for other services tsv is the safer choice.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| convertType | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

**Value**

retval dataframe raw data returned from the Water Quality Portal. Additionally, a POSIXct dateTime column is supplied for start and end times, and converted to UTC. See [https://www.waterqualitydata.us/portal\\_userguide/](https://www.waterqualitydata.us/portal_userguide/) for more information.

**See Also**

```
readWQPdata(), readWQPqw(), whatWQPsites()
```

**Examples**

```
# These examples require an internet connection to run

## Examples take longer than 5 seconds:

rawSampleURL <- constructWQPURL("USGS-01594440", "01075", "", "")

rawSample <- importWQP(rawSampleURL)
```

```
STORETex <- constructWQPURL("WIDNR_WQX-10032762", "Specific conductance", "", "")  
  
STORETdata <- importWQP(STORETex)  
  
STORETdata_char <- importWQP(STORETex, convertType = FALSE)
```

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|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| is_dataRetrieval_user | <i>Is this a dataRetrieval user</i> |
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**Description**

Reveals if this is a user or not

**Usage**

```
is_dataRetrieval_user()
```

**Examples**

```
is_dataRetrieval_user()
```

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|                 |                                     |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| parameterCdFile | <i>List of USGS parameter codes</i> |
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**Description**

Complete list of USGS parameter codes as of Oct. 24, 2024.

**Value**

parameterData data frame with information about USGS parameters.

| Name               | Type      | Description                                      |
|--------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------|
| parameter_cd       | character | 5-digit USGS parameter code                      |
| parameter_group_nm | character | USGS parameter group name                        |
| parameter_nm       | character | USGS parameter name                              |
| casrn              | character | Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number |
| srsname            | character | Substance Registry Services Name                 |
| parameter_units    | character | Parameter units                                  |

**Examples**

```
head(parameterCdFile[, 1:2])
```

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|           |                                             |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------|
| parse_WQP | <i>Convert WQP columns to correct types</i> |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Takes the character results and converts to numeric and dates.

**Usage**

```
parse_WQP(retval, tz = "UTC")
```

**Arguments**

|        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| retval | Data frame from WQP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| tz     | character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default is UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the associated "TimeZone" column). Possible values include "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla" |

**Value**

data frame retval with converted columns

**Examples**

```
# These examples require an internet connection to run
rawSampleURL <- constructWQPURL("USGS-01594440", "01075", "", "")

## Examples take longer than 5 seconds:

rawSample <- importWQP(rawSampleURL, convertType = FALSE)
convertedSample <- parse_WQP(rawSample)
```

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|               |                                              |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------|
| pcode_to_name | <i>Parameter code to characteristic name</i> |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------|

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### Description

This function no longer works because the underlying service has been removed. Similar functionality can be found with `check_waterdata_sample_params`.

### Usage

```
pcode_to_name(parameterCd = "all")
```

### Arguments

`parameterCd` character that contains the code for a character vector of 5-digit parameter codes.

### Examples

```
pcores <- c("00070", "00075", "00430", "52642")

all_new <- read_waterdata_parameter_codes(parameter_code = pcores)
ref_list <- check_waterdata_sample_params("reference-list")
ref_list_sm <- ref_list[ref_list$parm_cd %in% pcores, ]
```

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|              |                                      |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| readNWISdata | <i>General Data Import from NWIS</i> |
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### Description

Returns data from the NWIS web service. Arguments to the function should be based on <https://waterservices.usgs.gov> service calls. See examples below for ideas of constructing queries.

### Usage

```
readNWISdata(..., asDateTime = TRUE, convertType = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

### Arguments

... see <https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/> for a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied. One important argument to include is "service". Possible values are "iv" (for instantaneous), "dv" (for daily values), "site" (for site service), and "stat" (for statistics service). The statistics service has a limited selection of arguments (see <https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/>).

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| asDateTime  | logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, Date                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| convertType | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| tz          | character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight savings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also <code>OlsonNames()</code> for more information on time zones. |

## Details

This function requires users to create their own arguments based on the NWIS web services. It is a more complicated function to use compared to other NWIS functions such as `readNWISdv()`, `readNWISuv()`, etc. However, this function adds a lot of flexibility to the possible queries. This function will also behave exactly as NWIS when it comes to date queries. NWIS by default will only return the latest value for the daily and instantaneous services. So if you do not provide a starting date, you will only get back the latest value. If you want the full period of record, you can use "startDate = '1900-01-01'". Other options for dates are periods, such as "period = 'P7D'" which translates to a period of 7 days. For period, use only a positive ISO-8601 duration format, which should not be expressed in periods of less than a day, or in increments of months M or years Y. period returns data for a site generally from now to a time in the past. Note that when period is used all data up to the most recent value are returned.

## Value

A data frame with the following columns:

| Name     | Type      | Description                                                                                           |
|----------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| agency   | character | The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data                                                       |
| site     | character | The USGS site number                                                                                  |
| dateTime | POSIXct   | The date and time (if applicable) of the measurement, converted to UTC for unit value data. R only al |
| tz_cd    | character | The time zone code for dateTime column                                                                |
| code     | character | Any codes that qualify the corresponding value                                                        |
| value    | numeric   | The numeric value for the parameter                                                                   |

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form X\_D\_P\_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

| Name     | Type       | Description                                                |
|----------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| url      | character  | The url used to generate the data                          |
| siteInfo | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested sites |

|               |            |                                                                             |
|---------------|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| variableInfo  | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested parameters             |
| statisticInfo | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data |
| queryTime     | POSIXct    | The time the data was returned                                              |

### See Also

[read\\_waterdata\(\)](#)

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|            |                                             |
|------------|---------------------------------------------|
| readNWISdv | <i>Daily Value USGS NWIS Data Retrieval</i> |
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### Description

Imports data from NWIS daily web service. This function gets the data from here: <https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/dv-service/daily-values-service-details/> Inputs to this function are just USGS site ids, USGS parameter codes, USGS statistic codes, and start and end date. For a more complex query, use [readNWISdata\(\)](#), with an argument service = "dv". Data coming the daily web services are aggregates of the instantaneous (sensor) web services. Not all statistical codes are available for all data. Use the function [whatNWISdata\(\)](#) to discover what data is available for a USGS site. The column data\_type\_cd with the values "dv" returned from [whatNWISdata\(\)](#) are available from this service.

### Usage

```
readNWISdv(
  siteNumbers,
  parameterCd,
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  statCd = "00003"
)
```

### Arguments

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| siteNumbers | character USGS site number. This is usually an 8 digit number. Multiple sites can be requested with a character vector.                                                                         |
| parameterCd | character of USGS parameter code(s). This is usually an 5 digit number.                                                                                                                         |
| startDate   | character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time. |
| endDate     | character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.     |
| statCd      | character USGS statistic code. This is usually 5 digits. Daily mean (00003) is the default.                                                                                                     |

## Details

More information on the web service can be found here: <https://waterservices.usgs.gov/test-tools>, choosing the "Daily Value Service".

## Value

A data frame with the following columns:

| Name   | Type      | Description                                     |
|--------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------|
| agency | character | The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data |
| site   | character | The USGS site number                            |
| Date   | Date      | The date of the value                           |
| code   | character | Any codes that qualify the corresponding value  |
| value  | numeric   | The numeric value for the parameter             |

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form X\_D\_P\_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

| Name          | Type       | Description                                                                 |
|---------------|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| url           | character  | The url used to generate the data                                           |
| siteInfo      | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested sites                  |
| variableInfo  | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested parameters             |
| statisticInfo | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data |
| queryTime     | POSIXct    | The time the data was returned                                              |

## See Also

[read\\_waterdata\\_daily\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
# see ?read_waterdata_daily

#site_id <- "04085427"
#startDate <- "2012-01-01"
#endDate <- "2012-06-30"
#pCode <- "00060"
#
#rawDailyQ <- readNWISdv(site_id, pCode, startDate, endDate)
```

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|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| readNWISpCode | <i>USGS Parameter Data Retrieval</i> |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Imports data from NWIS about measured parameter based on user-supplied parameter code or codes.

**Usage**

```
readNWISpCode(parameterCd)
```

**Arguments**

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| parameterCd | character of USGS parameter codes (or multiple parameter codes). These are 5 digit number codes. To get a complete list of all current parameter codes in the USGS, use "all" as the input. |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

**Value**

parameterData data frame with the following information:

| Name               | Type      | Description                                      |
|--------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------|
| parameter_cd       | character | 5-digit USGS parameter code                      |
| parameter_group_nm | character | USGS parameter group name                        |
| parameter_nm       | character | USGS parameter name                              |
| casrn              | character | Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number |
| srsname            | character | Substance Registry Services Name                 |
| parameter_units    | character | Parameter units                                  |

**See Also**

```
importRDB1\(\)
```

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|              |                                        |
|--------------|----------------------------------------|
| readNWISpeak | <i>Peak flow data from USGS (NWIS)</i> |
|--------------|----------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Reads peak flow from NWISweb.

**Usage**

```
readNWISpeak(
  siteNumbers,
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  asDateTime = TRUE,
  convertType = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| siteNumbers | character USGS site number(or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number.                                                                                                       |
| startDate   | character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.                                            |
| endDate     | character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.                                                |
| asDateTime  | logical default to TRUE. When TRUE, the peak_dt column is converted to a Date object, and incomplete dates are removed. When FALSE, no columns are removed, but no dates are converted. |
| convertType | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character     |

**Details**

In some cases, the specific date of the peak data is not know. This function will default to converting complete dates to a "Date" object, and converting incomplete dates to "NA". If those incomplete dates are needed, set the asDateTime argument to FALSE. No dates will be converted to R Date objects.

**Value**

A data frame with the following columns:

| Name         | Type      | Description                                                              |
|--------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| agency_cd    | character | The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data                          |
| site_no      | character | The USGS site number                                                     |
| peak_dt      | Date      | Date of peak streamflow                                                  |
| peak_tm      | character | Time of peak streamflow as character                                     |
| peak_va      | numeric   | Annual peak streamflow value in cfs                                      |
| peak_cd      | character | Peak Discharge-Qualification codes (see comment for more information)    |
| gage_ht      | numeric   | Gage height for the associated peak streamflow in feet                   |
| gage_ht_cd   | character | Gage height qualification codes                                          |
| year_last_pk | numeric   | Peak streamflow reported is the highest since this year                  |
| ag_dt        | Date      | Date of maximum gage-height for water year (if not concurrent with peak) |
| ag_tm        | character | Time of maximum gage-height for water year (if not concurrent with peak) |
| ag_gage_ht   | numeric   | maximum Gage height for water year in feet (if not concurrent with peak) |

ag\_gage\_ht\_cd    character    maximum Gage height code

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

| Name      | Type       | Description                                                |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| url       | character  | The url used to generate the data                          |
| queryTime | POSIXct    | The time the data was returned                             |
| comment   | character  | Header comments from the RDB file                          |
| siteInfo  | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested sites |

### See Also

`constructNWISURL()`, `importRDB1()`

### Examples

```
#site_ids <- c("01594440", "040851325")

#data <- readNWISpeak(site_ids)
#data2 <- readNWISpeak(site_ids, asDateTime = FALSE)
#stations <- c("06011000")
#peakdata <- readNWISpeak(stations, convertType = FALSE)
```

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|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| readNWISrating | <i>Rating table for an active USGS streamgage retrieval</i> |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|

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### Description

Reads current rating table for an active USGS streamgage from NWISweb.

### Usage

```
readNWISrating(siteNumber, type = "base", convertType = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| siteNumber  | character USGS site number. This is usually an 8 digit number                                                                                                                       |
| type        | character can be "base", "corr", or "exsa"                                                                                                                                          |
| convertType | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character |

**Value**

A data frame. If type is "base, " then the columns are INDEP, typically the gage height, in feet; DEP, typically the streamflow, in cubic feet per second; and STOR, where "\*" indicates that the pair are a fixed point of the rating curve. If type is "exsa, " then an additional column, SHIFT, is included that indicates the current shift in the rating for that value of INDEP. If type is "corr, " then the columns are INDEP, typically the gage height, in feet; CORR, the correction for that value; and CORRINDEP, the corrected value for CORR.

If type is "base, " then the data frame has an attribute called "RATING" that describes the rating curve is included.

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

| Name      | Type       | Description                                                |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| url       | character  | The url used to generate the data                          |
| queryTime | POSIXct    | The time the data was returned                             |
| comment   | character  | Header comments from the RDB file                          |
| siteInfo  | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested sites |
| RATING    | character  | Rating information                                         |

**Note**

Not all active USGS streamgages have traditional rating curves that relate flow to stage.

**See Also**

`constructNWISURL()`, `importRDB1()`

**Examples**

```
site_id <- "01594440"

#data <- readNWISrating(site_id, "base")
#attr(data, "RATING")
```

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readNWISsite

*USGS Site File Data Retrieval*


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**Description**

Imports data from USGS site file site. This function gets data from here: <https://waterservices.usgs.gov/>

**Usage**

```
readNWISsite(siteNumbers)
```

**Arguments**

siteNumbers      character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number

**Value**

A data frame with at least the following columns:

| Name                  | Type      | Description                                     |
|-----------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------|
| agency_cd             | character | The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data |
| site_no               | character | The USGS site number                            |
| station_nm            | character | Site name                                       |
| site_tp_cd            | character | Site type                                       |
| lat_va                | numeric   | DMS latitude                                    |
| long_va               | numeric   | DMS longitude                                   |
| dec_lat_va            | numeric   | Decimal latitude                                |
| dec_long_va           | numeric   | Decimal longitude                               |
| coord_meth_cd         | character | Latitude-longitude method                       |
| coord_acy_cd          | character | Latitude-longitude accuracy                     |
| coord_datum_cd        | character | Latitude-longitude datum                        |
| dec_coord_datum_cd    | character | Decimal Latitude-longitude datum                |
| district_cd           | character | District code                                   |
| state_cd              | character | State code                                      |
| county_cd             | character | County code                                     |
| country_cd            | character | Country code                                    |
| land_net_ds           | character | Land net location description                   |
| map_nm                | character | Name of location map                            |
| map_scale_fc          | character | Scale of location map                           |
| alt_va                | numeric   | Altitude of Gage/land surface                   |
| alt_meth_cd           | character | Method altitude determined                      |
| alt_acy_va            | numeric   | Altitude accuracy                               |
| alt_datum_cd          | character | Altitude datum                                  |
| huc_cd                | character | Hydrologic unit code                            |
| basin_cd              | character | Drainage basin code                             |
| topo_cd               | character | Topographic setting code                        |
| instruments_cd        | character | Flags for instruments at site                   |
| construction_dt       | character | Date of first construction                      |
| inventory_dt          | character | Date site established or inventoried            |
| drain_area_va         | numeric   | Drainage area                                   |
| contrib_drain_area_va | numeric   | Contributing drainage area                      |
| tz_cd                 | character | Time Zone abbreviation                          |
| local_time_fg         | character | Site honors Daylight Savings Time               |
| reliability_cd        | character | Data reliability code                           |
| gw_file_cd            | character | Data-other GW files                             |
| nat_aqfr_cd           | character | National aquifer code                           |
| aqfr_cd               | character | Local aquifer code                              |
| aqfr_type_cd          | character | Local aquifer type code                         |
| well_depth_va         | numeric   | Well depth                                      |
| hole_depth_va         | numeric   | Hole depth                                      |

|              |           |                      |
|--------------|-----------|----------------------|
| depth_src_cd | character | Source of depth data |
| project_no   | character | Project number       |

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

| Name      | Type      | Description                       |
|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| url       | character | The url used to generate the data |
| queryTime | POSIXct   | The time the data was returned    |
| comment   | character | Header comments from the RDB file |

See Also

```
read_waterdata_monitoring_location()
```

Examples

```
# see ?read_waterdata_monitoring_location
# siteINFOMulti <- readNWISsite(c("05114000", "09423350"))
```

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|              |                                                   |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| readNWISstat | <i>Site statistics retrieval from USGS (NWIS)</i> |
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Description

Retrieves site statistics from the USGS Statistics Web Service beta.

Usage

```
readNWISstat(
  siteNumbers,
  parameterCd,
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  convertType = TRUE,
  statReportType = "daily",
  statType = "mean"
)
```

Arguments

|             |                                                                                    |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| siteNumbers | character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number. |
| parameterCd | character USGS parameter code. This is usually a 5 digit number.                   |

|                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| startDate      | character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY, YYYY-MM, or YYYY-MM-DD. Dates cannot be more specific than the statReportType, i.e. startDate for monthly statReportTypes cannot include days, and annual statReportTypes cannot include days or months. Months and days are optional for the daily statReportType. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. For daily data, this indicates the start of the period the statistics will be computed over.                 |
| endDate        | character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY, YYYY-MM, or YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. For daily data, this indicates the end of the period the statistics will be computed over. The same restrictions as startDate apply.                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| convertType    | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to numerics based on a standard algorithm. Years, months, and days (if applicable) are also returned as numerics in separate columns. If convertType is false, everything is returned as a character.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| statReportType | character time division for statistics: daily, monthly, or annual. Default is daily. Note that daily provides statistics for each calendar day over the specified range of water years, i.e. no more than 366 data points will be returned for each site/parameter. Use readNWISdata or readNWISdv for daily averages. Also note that 'annual' returns statistics for the calendar year. Use readNWISdata for water years. Monthly and yearly provide statistics for each month and year within the range individually. |
| statType       | character type(s) of statistics to output for daily values. Default is mean, which is the only option for monthly and yearly report types.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

### Value

A data frame with the following columns:

| Name         | Type      | Description                         |
|--------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| agency_cd    | character | The NWIS code for the agency report |
| site_no      | character | The USGS site number                |
| parameter_cd | character | The USGS parameter code             |

Other columns will be present depending on statReportType and statType

### See Also

[constructNWISURL\(\)](#), [importRDB1\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
# x1 <- readNWISstat(
#   siteNumbers = c("02319394"),
#   parameterCd = c("00060"),
#   statReportType = "annual"
# )

# all the annual mean discharge data for two sites
```

```
#x2 <- readNWISstat(
#   siteNumbers = c("02319394", "02171500"),
#   parameterCd = c("00010", "00060"),
#   statReportType = "annual"
# )

# Request p25, p75, and mean values for temperature and discharge for the 2000s
# Note that p25 and p75 were not available for temperature, and return NAs
#x <- readNWISstat(
#   siteNumbers = c("02171500"),
#   parameterCd = c("00010", "00060"),
#   statReportType = "daily",
#   statType = c("mean", "median"),
#   startDate = "2000", endDate = "2010"
# )
```

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readNWISe

*Water use data retrieval from USGS (NWIS)*


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## Description

Retrieves water use data from USGS Water Use Data for the Nation.

## Usage

```
readNWISe(
  stateCd,
  countyCd,
  years = "ALL",
  categories = "ALL",
  convertType = TRUE,
  transform = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

|          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| stateCd  | could be character (full name, abbreviation, id), or numeric (id). Only one is accepted per query.                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| countyCd | could be character (name, with or without "County", or "ALL"), numeric (id), or NULL, which will return state or national data depending on the stateCd argument. "ALL" may also be supplied, which will return data for every county in a state. Can be a vector of counties in the same state. |
| years    | integer Years for data retrieval. Must be years ending in 0 or 5. Default is all available years.                                                                                                                                                                                                |

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| categories  | character categories of water use. Defaults to "ALL". Specific categories must be supplied as two- letter abbreviations as seen in the URL when using the NWIS water use web interface. Note that there are different codes for national and state level data.              |
| convertType | logical defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to numerics based on a standard algorithm. Years, months, and days (if applicable) are also returned as numerics in separate columns. If convertType is false, everything is returned as a character. |
| transform   | logical only intended for use with national data. Defaults to FALSE, with data being returned as presented by the web service. If TRUE, data will be transformed and returned with column names, which will reformat national data to be similar to state data.             |

### Value

A data frame with at least the year of record, and all available statistics for the given geographic parameters. County and state fields will be included as appropriate.

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|------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| readNWISuv | <i>Instantaneous value data retrieval from USGS (NWIS)</i> |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------------|

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### Description

Imports data from NWIS web service. Inputs to this function are USGS site ids, USGS parameter codes, and start and end date. For a more complex query, use [readNWISdata\(\)](#), including an argument `service="uv"`. Not all parameter codes are available for all data. Use the function [whatNWISdata\(\)](#) to discover what data is available for a USGS site. The column `data_type_cd` with the values "uv" returned from [whatNWISdata\(\)](#) are available from this service.

### Usage

```
readNWISuv(siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate = "", endDate = "", tz = "UTC")
```

### Arguments

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| siteNumbers | character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number                                                                                                               |
| parameterCd | character USGS parameter code. This is usually an 5 digit number.                                                                                                                               |
| startDate   | character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. Simple date arguments are specified in local time. |
| endDate     | character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. Simple date arguments are specified in local time.     |

**tz** character to set timezone attribute of `dateTime`. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data provided `tz_cd` column. Possible values to provide are "America/New\_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los\_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight savings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also `OlsonNames()` for more information on time zones.

### Value

A data frame with the following columns:

| Name                   | Type      | Description                                     |
|------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <code>agency_cd</code> | character | The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data |
| <code>site_no</code>   | character | The USGS site number                            |
| <code>dateTime</code>  | POSIXct   | The date and time of the value converted to UTC |
| <code>tz_cd</code>     | character | The time zone code for <code>dateTime</code>    |
| <code>code</code>      | character | Any codes that qualify the corresponding value  |
| <code>value</code>     | numeric   | The numeric value for the parameter             |

Note that `code` and `value` are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form: `X_D_P_S`, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

| Name                       | Type       | Description                                                                 |
|----------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>url</code>           | character  | The url used to generate the data                                           |
| <code>siteInfo</code>      | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested sites                  |
| <code>variableInfo</code>  | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested parameters             |
| <code>statisticInfo</code> | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data |
| <code>queryTime</code>     | POSIXct    | The time the data was returned                                              |

### See Also

`renameNWISColumns()`, `importWaterML1()`

### Examples

```
site_id <- "05114000"
parameterCd <- "00060"
startDate <- "2014-10-10"
endDate <- "2014-10-10"

#rawData <- readNWISuv(site_id, parameterCd, startDate, endDate)
```

```
#rawData_today <- readNWISuv(site_id, parameterCd, Sys.Date(), Sys.Date())
```

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readWQPdata

*General Data Import from Water Quality Portal*


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## Description

Imports data from Water Quality Portal web service. This function gets the data from here: <https://www.waterqualitydata.us>.

## Usage

```
readWQPdata(
  ...,
  service = "Result",
  querySummary = FALSE,
  tz = "UTC",
  ignore_attributes = FALSE,
  convertType = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

|              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ...          | A list of arguments can also be supplied. For more information see the above description for this help file. One way to figure out how to construct a WQP query is to go to the "Advanced" form in the Water Quality Portal. Use the form to discover what parameters are available. Once the query is set in the form, scroll down to the "Query URL". You will see the parameters after "https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#". For example, if you chose "Nutrient" in the Characteristic Group dropdown, you will see characteristicType=Nutrient in the Query URL. The corresponding argument for dataRetrieval is characteristicType = "Nutrient". dataRetrieval users do not need to include mimeType, and providers is optional (these arguments are picked automatically). |
| service      | character. See Details for more information.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| querySummary | logical to only return the number of records and unique sites that will be returned from this query. Choosing TRUE is deprecated, readWQPsummary is recommended instead.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| tz           | character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight savings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on time zones.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

|                   |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ignore_attributes | logical to choose to ignore fetching site and status attributes. Default is FALSE.                                                                                                   |
| convertType       | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character. |

## Details

This function uses ... as a query input, which can be very flexible, but also has a steeper learning curve. For a quick overview, scroll down to the Examples in this help file to see many query options.

There are currently 10 legacy options for data provided by the Water Quality Portal:

Legacy:

| WQP Radio Button                           | service argument                   | Base URL                                        |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Sample Results                             | Result                             | /data/Result/search                             |
| Site Data Only                             | Station                            | /data/Station/search                            |
| Sampling Activity                          | Activity                           | /data/Activity/search                           |
| Sampling Activity Metrics                  | ActivityMetric                     | /data/ActivityMetric/search                     |
| Site Summary (not advertised on WQP)       | SiteSummary                        | /data/summary/monitoringLocation/search         |
| Project Data                               | Project                            | /data/Project/search                            |
| Project Monitoring Location Weighting Data | ProjectMonitoringLocationWeighting | /data/ProjectMonitoringLocationWeighting/search |
| Result Detection Quantitation Limit Data   | ResultDetectionQuantitationLimit   | /data/ResultDetectionQuantitationLimit/search   |
| Biological Habitat Metrics                 | BiologicalMetric                   | /data/BiologicalMetric/search                   |
| Organization Data                          | Organization                       | /data/Organization/search                       |

There are 4 WQX3 options. These are still in-development, and should be used with caution.

| WQP Radio Button        | service argument | Base URL              | dataProfile   |
|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Monitoring Locations    | StationWQX3      | /wqx3/Station/search  |               |
| Full Physical Chemical  | ResultWQX3       | /wqx3/Result/search   | fullPhysChem  |
| Narrow                  | ResultWQX3       | /wqx3/Result/search   | narrow        |
| Basic Physical Chemical | ResultWQX3       | /wqx3/Result/search   | basicPhysChem |
| Sampling Activity       | ActivityWQX3     | /wqx3/Activity/search |               |

## Value

A data frame, the specific columns will depend on the "service" and/or "dataProfile".

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

| Name       | Type       | Description                                                |
|------------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| url        | character  | The url used to generate the data                          |
| siteInfo   | data.frame | A data frame containing information on the requested sites |
| headerInfo | data.frame | A data frame returned from the WQP status service          |
| queryTime  | POSIXct    | The time the data was returned                             |

**Examples**

```

# Legacy:
#nameToUse <- "pH"
#pHData <- readWQPdata(siteid = "USGS-04024315",
#                      characteristicName = nameToUse)
#ncol(pHData)
#attr(pHData, "siteInfo")
#attr(pHData, "queryTime")
#attr(pHData, "url")

# WQX3:
#pHData_wqx3 <- readWQPdata(siteid = "USGS-04024315",
#                          characteristicName = nameToUse,
#                          service = "ResultWQX3",
#                          dataProfile = "basicPhysChem")
# attr(pHData_wqx3, "url")

# More examples:
# querying by county
#DeWitt <- readWQPdata(
#  statecode = "Illinois",
#  countycode = "DeWitt",
#  characteristicName = "Nitrogen"
# )

#attr(DeWitt, "url")

#DeWitt_wqx3 <- readWQPdata(
#  statecode = "Illinois",
#  countycode = "DeWitt",
#  characteristicName = "Nitrogen",
#  service = "ResultWQX3",
#  dataProfile = "basicPhysChem",
#  ignore_attributes = TRUE)

#attr(DeWitt_wqx3, "url")

# Data profile: "Sampling Activity"
#activity <- readWQPdata(
#  siteid = "USGS-04024315",
#  service = "Activity"
#)
#attr(activity, "url")

# activity_wqx3 <- readWQPdata(
#  siteid = "USGS-04024315",
#  service = "ActivityWQX3"
# )
# attr(activity_wqx3, "url")

```

```

#Dane_activity <- readWQPdata(
#  statecode = "Wisconsin",
#  countycode = "Dane",
#  startDateLo = "2023-01-01",
#  startDateHi = "2023-12-31",
#  service = "Activity"
# )
#attr(Dane_activity, "url")

# Dane_activity_wqx3 <- readWQPdata(
#  statecode = "Wisconsin",
#  countycode = "Dane",
#  startDateLo = "2023-01-01",
#  startDateHi = "2023-12-31",
#  service = "ActivityWQX3"
# )
# attr(Dane_activity_wqx3, "url")

#####
# Additional examples:

# Data profiles: "Organization Data"
#org_data <- readWQPdata(
#  statecode = "WI",
#  countycode = "Dane",
#  service = "Organization"
# )

# Data profiles: "Project Data"
#project_data <- readWQPdata(
#  statecode = "WI",
#  countycode = "Dane",
#  service = "Project"
# )

# Data profiles: "Project Monitoring Location Weighting Data"
#proj_mlwd <- readWQPdata(
#  statecode = "WI",
#  countycode = "Dane",
#  service = "ProjectMonitoringLocationWeighting"
# )

# Data profiles: "Sample Results (physical/chemical metadata)"
# samp_data <- readWQPdata(
#  siteid = "USGS-04024315",
#  dataProfile = "resultPhysChem",
#  service = "Result"
# )

# Data profiles: "Sample Results (biological metadata)"
#samp_bio <- readWQPdata(
#  siteid = "USGS-04024315",

```

```

# dataProfile = "biological",
# service = "Result"
# )

# Data profiles: "Sample Results (narrow)"
# samp_narrow <- readWQPdata(
#   siteid = "USGS-04024315",
#   service = "Result",
#   dataProfile = "narrowResult"
# )

# samp_narrow_wqx3 <- readWQPdata(
#   siteid = "USGS-04024315",
#   service = "ResultWQX3",
#   dataProfile = "narrow"
# )

# Data profiles: "Sampling Activity"
# samp_activity <- readWQPdata(
#   siteid = "USGS-04024315",
#   dataProfile = "activityAll",
#   service = "Activity"
# )

# Data profile: "Sampling Activity Metrics"
# act_metrics <- readWQPdata(
#   statecode = "WI",
#   countycode = "Dane",
#   service = "ActivityMetric"
# )

# Data profile: "Result Detection Quantitation Limit Data"
# dl_data <- readWQPdata(
#   siteid = "USGS-04024315",
#   service = "ResultDetectionQuantitationLimit"
# )

# other options:
# Phosphorus <- readWQPdata(
#   statecode = "WI", countycode = "Dane",
#   characteristicName = "Phosphorus",
#   startDateLo = "2023-01-01",
#   ignore_attributes = TRUE,
#   convertType = FALSE
# )

# rawPHsites_legacy <- readWQPdata(siteid = c("USGS-05406450", "USGS-05427949", "WIDNR_WQX-133040"),
#   characteristicName = "pH",
#   service = "Result",
#   dataProfile = "narrowResult" )

```

```
# rawPHsites <- readWQPdata(siteid = c("USGS-05406450", "USGS-05427949", "WIDNR_WQX-133040"),
#                               characteristicName = "pH",
#                               service = "ResultWQX3",
#                               dataProfile = "narrow" )
```

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readWQPqw

*Raw Data Import for Water Quality Portal*


---

## Description

Imports data from the Water Quality Portal. This function gets the data from here: <https://www.waterqualitydata.us>. There are four required input arguments: siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate, and endDate. parameterCd can either be a USGS 5-digit code, or a characteristic name. The sites can be either USGS, or other Water Quality Portal offered sites. It is required to use the 'full' site name, such as 'USGS-01234567'.

## Usage

```
readWQPqw(
  siteNumbers,
  parameterCd,
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  tz = "UTC",
  legacy = TRUE,
  querySummary = FALSE,
  ignore_attributes = FALSE,
  convertType = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| siteNumbers | character site number. This needs to include the full agency code prefix.                                                                                                                       |
| parameterCd | vector of USGS 5-digit parameter code or characteristicNames. Leaving this blank will return all of the measured values during the specified time period.                                       |
| startDate   | character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time. |
| endDate     | character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.     |



```
#attr(pHsites_legacy, "url")

# pHsites_modern <- readWQPqw(c("USGS-05406450", "USGS-05427949", "WIDNR_WQX-133040"),
#                               "pH", "", "", legacy = FALSE)
# ncol(pHsites_modern)
# attr(pHsites_modern, "url")

# nwisEx <- readWQPqw("USGS-04024000", c("34247", "30234", "32104", "34220"), "", "2022-12-20")

# DO <- readWQPqw(siteNumbers = "USGS-05288705",
#                  parameterCd = "00300",
#                  convertType = FALSE)
```

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readWQPsummary

*Summary of Data Available from Water Quality Portal*


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## Description

Returns a list of sites with year-by-year information on what data is available. The function gets the data from: <https://www.waterqualitydata.us>. The information returned from this function describes the available data at the WQP sites, and some metadata on the sites themselves.

## Usage

```
readWQPsummary(...)
```

## Arguments

...      Named arguments. A list of arguments can also be supplied. One way to figure out how to construct a WQP query is to go to the "Advanced" form in the Water Quality Portal. Use the form to discover what parameters are available. Once the query is set in the form, scroll down to the "Query URL". You will see the parameters after "https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#". For example, if you chose "Nutrient" in the Characteristic Group dropdown, you will see characteristicType=Nutrient in the Query URL. The corresponding argument for dataRetrieval is characteristicType = "Nutrient". dataRetrieval users do not need to include mimeType, and providers is optional (these arguments are picked automatically).

## Value

A data frame from the data returned from the Water Quality Portal about the data available for the query parameters.

## See Also

whatWQPsites whatWQPdata

## Examples

```
# Summary of a single site for the last 5 years:
#site_5 <- readWQPsummary(
#   siteid = "USGS-07144100",
#   summaryYears = 5
# )

# Summary of a single site for the full period of record:
#site_all <- readWQPsummary(
#   siteid = "USGS-07144100",
#   summaryYears = "all"
# )

# Summary of the data available from streams in a single county:
# dane_county_data <- readWQPsummary(
#   countycode = "US:55:025",
#   summaryYears = 5,
#   siteType = "Stream"
# )

# Summary of the data all available from lakes in a single county:
# lake_sites <- readWQPsummary(
#   siteType = "Lake, Reservoir, Impoundment",
#   countycode = "US:55:025"
# )

# Summary of the data available for the last 5 years in New Jersey:
#state1 <- readWQPsummary(
#   statecode = "NJ",
#   summaryYears = 5,
#   siteType = "Stream"
# )
```

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read\_ngwmn

*Generalized NGWMN API retrieval function*


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## Description

Function that allows complex CQL queries on National Groundwater Monitoring Network API. See <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/docs/ogcapi/complex-queries/> for more information.

## Usage

```
read_ngwmn(
  service,
  CQL = NA_character_,
```

```

monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
...,
convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)

```

## Arguments

|                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| service                | <p>character, can be any existing collection. Can be: "providers", "constructionObs", "waterLevelObs", "sites", or "lithologyObs". The date of an observation. Date and time expressions adhere to RFC 3339. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50-00:00"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00+05:00/2018-03-18T12:31:12+05:00"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00-05:00/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12-05:00"</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a sample_time that intersects the value of datetime are selected. If a feature has multiple temporal properties, it is the decision of the server whether only a single temporal property is used to determine the extent or all relevant temporal properties.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| CQL                    | A string in a Common Query Language format.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| monitoring_location_id | <p>This field is required. Combined site identifier of agency code and site number (format of {agency_code}-{monitoring_location_number}). A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| ...                    | Additional arguments to send to the request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| convertType            | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates and qualifier to string vector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| limit                  | numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| attach_request         | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

## Examples

```

cql <- '{
  "op": "between",
  "args": [
    { "property": "water_level_above_navd88_ft" },
    [ "100.00", "200.00" ]
  ]
}'

```

```

    ]
  },

  wl_data <- read_ngwmn(service = "waterLevelObs",
                        monitoring_location_id = c("USGS-272838082142201",
                                                  "USGS-404159100494601",
                                                  "USGS-401216080362703"),
                        CQL = cql)

  cql3 <- '{
    "op": "and",
    "args": [
      {
        "op": "between",
        "args": [
          { "property": "water_level_above_navd88_ft" },
          [ "100.00", "200.00" ]
        ]
      },
      {
        "op": "in",
        "args": [
          { "property": "monitoring_location_id" },
          [ "USGS-272838082142201", "USGS-404159100494601", "USGS-401216080362703" ]
        ]
      }
    ]
  }'

  wl_data_alt <- read_ngwmn(service = "waterLevelObs",
                            CQL = cql3)

```

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read\_ngwmn\_lithology    *Get NGWMN Lithology Observations*

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## Description

Lithology Observations data

## Usage

```

read_ngwmn_lithology(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  monitoring_location_obs_number = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
  ...,

```

```

convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_data"),
limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)

```

## Arguments

|                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| monitoring_location_id         | This field is required. Combined site identifier of agency code and site number (format of {agency_code}-{monitoring_location_number}). A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| monitoring_location_obs_number | Number of observation for given site. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| properties                     | A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: agency_code, monitoring_location_number, monitoring_location_id, monitoring_location_obs_number, lithology_id, lithology_description, lithology_controlled_concept, lithology_depth_from, lithology_depth_to, lithology_depth_to_unit, lithology_depth_from_unit. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data. |
| ...                            | Not used. Included to help differentiate official NGWMN API arguments from more seldom used, optional dataRetrieval-specific arguments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| convertType                    | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| no_paging                      | logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.                                                                                                                                                                         |
| chunk_size                     | Number of monitoring_location_ids to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.                                                                                                                                    |
| limit                          | numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.                                                          |
| attach_request                 | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

## Examples

```

site <- "AKDNR-535134236016630"
ngwmn_lith <- read_ngwmn_lithology(monitoring_location_id = site)

```

```
sites <- c("ISWS-P428197",
          "AKDNR-535143966816631",
          "AKDNR-535134236016630")
ngwml_lith_sites <- read_ngwmn_lithology(monitored_location_id = sites)
```

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read\_ngwmn\_providers    *Get NGWMN Provider Data*

---

## Description

NGWMN contributing providers

## Usage

```
read_ngwmn_providers(
  state = NA_character_,
  agency_code = NA_character_,
  organization_type = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
  ...,
  convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
  no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
  chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_data"),
  limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
  attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)
```

## Arguments

|                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| state             | State code for provider. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                                        |
| agency_code       | Code for the name of the agency or organization that owns the site and/or contributed it to the network. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                        |
| organization_type | Type of organization of data provider.                                                                                                                                                              |
| properties        | A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: agency_name, agency_code, organization_type, state, link. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data. |
| ...               | Not used. Included to help differentiate official NGWMN API arguments from more seldom used, optional dataRetrieval-specific arguments.                                                             |
| convertType       | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.                                               |

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|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| no_paging      | logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.                                                                                                                |
| chunk_size     | Number of monitoring_location_ids to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.                                                                           |
| limit          | numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service. |
| attach_request | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

## Examples

```
ngwmn_providers <- read_ngwmn_providers(state = "WI")
ngwmn_providers2 <- read_ngwmn_providers(state = c("WI", "CA", "AZ", "MN"))
org_type <- read_ngwmn_providers(organization_type = "NWIS", state = c("WI", "MN"))
```

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|                  |                            |
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| read_ngwmn_sites | <i>Get NGWMN Site Data</i> |
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## Description

Site data (from Monitoring Location Registry), including the name, identifier, agency, features, and location of the site

## Usage

```
read_ngwmn_sites(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  agency_code = NA_character_,
  monitoring_location_number = NA_character_,
  altitude = NA_character_,
  national_aquifer_code = NA_character_,
  national_aquifer_description = NA_character_,
  country_code = NA_character_,
```

```

country_name = NA_character_,
state_name = NA_character_,
county_name = NA_character_,
aquifer_name = NA_character_,
site_type = NA_character_,
aquifer_type_code = NA_character_,
qw_sys_name = NA_character_,
qw_sn_flag = NA_character_,
qw_baseline_flag = NA_character_,
qw_well_chars = NA_character_,
qw_well_type = NA_character_,
qw_well_purpose = NA_character_,
wl_sys_name = NA_character_,
wl_sn_flag = NA_character_,
wl_baseline_flag = NA_character_,
wl_well_chars = NA_character_,
wl_well_type = NA_character_,
wl_well_purpose = NA_character_,
bbox = NA,
properties = NA_character_,
skipGeometry = FALSE,
...,
convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_data"),
limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)

```

## Arguments

|                              |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| monitoring_location_id       | Site identifier, combination of agency code and site number (format agency_code-monitoring_location_number). A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas. |
| agency_code                  | Code for the name of the agency or organization that owns the site and/or contributed it to the network. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.     |
| monitoring_location_number   | Local, unique well or spring identification number or code. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                  |
| altitude                     | Elevation of the land surface at the site.                                                                                                                                       |
| national_aquifer_code        | Code for U.S. Principal Aquifer. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                             |
| national_aquifer_description | Name for U.S. Principal Aquifer, lookup <a href="#">here</a> . A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                               |

|                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| country_code      | Abbreviation of country of site location. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                                                                    |
| country_name      | Name of country of site location.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| state_name        | Name of state of site location. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                                                                              |
| county_name       | Name of county of site location. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                                                                             |
| aquifer_name      | Name of local aquifer of site. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                                                                               |
| site_type         | Type of groundwater site (Spring or Well).                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| aquifer_type_code | Characteristic of the type of aquifer that the well is completed in (Confined or Unconfined). For NGWMN, shallow semi-confined wells can be considered unconfined if they respond to climatic fluctuations in a relatively short period of time. |
| qw_sys_name       | The system from which water quality data from the well or spring is served to the portal. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                    |
| qw_sn_flag        | Flag for whether the well or spring is part of the NGWMN water-quality network.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| qw_baseline_flag  | Flag for whether the well or spring has completed its 5-year baseline period, classifies it as being in one of the three QW subnetworks.                                                                                                         |
| qw_well_chars     | The characteristics of the aquifer the well represents. There are 3 options: 'Background', 'Suspected / Anticipated Changes', 'Known Changes'. The field is NULL if the site is still in the baseline period.                                    |
| qw_well_type      | Description of the assigned QW monitoring category for the well or spring.                                                                                                                                                                       |
| qw_well_purpose   | Description of the purpose of conducting QW monitoring of the well or spring.                                                                                                                                                                    |
| wl_sys_name       | The system from which water level data from the well or spring is served to the portal. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                      |
| wl_sn_flag        | Flag for whether the well or spring is part of the NGWMN water-level network.                                                                                                                                                                    |
| wl_baseline_flag  | Flag for whether the well or spring has completed its 5-year baseline period, classifies it as being in one of the three WL subnetworks.                                                                                                         |
| wl_well_chars     | The characteristics of the aquifer the well represents. There are 3 options: 'Background', 'Suspected / Anticipated Changes', 'Known Changes'. The field is NULL if the site is still in the baseline period.                                    |
| wl_well_type      | Description of the assigned WL monitoring category for the well or spring                                                                                                                                                                        |
| wl_well_purpose   | Description of the purpose of conducting WL monitoring of the well or spring.                                                                                                                                                                    |
| bbox              | Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth).          |



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read\_ngwmn\_water\_level

*Get NGWMN Water Level Data*


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## Description

Water Level Observations data

## Usage

```
read_ngwmn_water_level(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  monitoring_location_obs_number = NA_character_,
  sample_time = NA_character_,
  data_provided_by = NA_character_,
  water_depth_below_land_surface_ft = NA_character_,
  water_level_above_site_datum_ft = NA_character_,
  monitoring_location_vertical_datum = NA_character_,
  water_level_above_navd88_ft = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
  datetime = NA_character_,
  ...,
  convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
  no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
  chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_data"),
  limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
  attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)
```

## Arguments

- |                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| monitoring_location_id         | This field is required. Combined site identifier of agency code and site number (format of {agency_code}-{monitoring_location_number}). A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| monitoring_location_obs_number | Number of observation for given site. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| sample_time                    | <p>The date of an observation. Date and time expressions adhere to RFC 3339. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50-00:00"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00+05:00/2018-03-18T12:31:12+05:00"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00-05:00/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12-05:00"</li> </ul> |

Only features that have a `sample_time` that intersects the value of `datetime` are selected. If a feature has multiple temporal properties, it is the decision of the server whether only a single temporal property is used to determine the extent or all relevant temporal properties.

See also Details below for more information.

|                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>data_provided_by</code>                   | Code for the agency or organization that provides, collects, owns, and/or manages the water level measurement record.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <code>water_depth_below_land_surface_ft</code>  | Calculated depth to water in feet.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <code>water_level_above_site_datum_ft</code>    | Water-level value represented as depth to site datum in feet.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <code>monitoring_location_vertical_datum</code> | Code indicating the vertical datum.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <code>water_level_above_navd88_ft</code>        | Mediated water-level value represented as depth to water relative to the NAVD88 datum.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <code>properties</code>                         | A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: <code>agency_code</code> , <code>monitoring_location_number</code> , <code>monitoring_location_id</code> , <code>monitoring_location_obs_number</code> , <code>sample_time</code> , <code>orig_unit</code> , <code>orig_value</code> , <code>accuracy_unit</code> , <code>accuracy_value</code> , <code>obs_datum_cd</code> , <code>obs_comment</code> , <code>obs_method</code> , <code>data_provided_by</code> , <code>water_depth_below_land_surface_ft</code> , <code>water_level_above_site_datum_ft</code> , <code>monitoring_location_vertical_datum</code> , <code>water_level_above_navd88_ft</code> . The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.                        |
| <code>datetime</code>                           | <p>The date of an observation. Date and time expressions adhere to RFC 3339. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50-00:00"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00+05:00/2018-03-18T12:31:12+05:00"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00-05:00/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12-05:00"</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a <code>sample_time</code> that intersects the value of <code>datetime</code> are selected. If a feature has multiple temporal properties, it is the decision of the server whether only a single temporal property is used to determine the extent or all relevant temporal properties.</p> |
| <code>...</code>                                | Not used. Included to help differentiate official NGWMN API arguments from more seldom used, optional <code>dataRetrieval</code> -specific arguments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <code>convertType</code>                        | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <code>no_paging</code>                          | logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <code>chunk_size</code>                         | Number of <code>monitoring_location_ids</code> to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

**limit** numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.

**attach\_request** logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.

## Examples

```
site <- "USGS-272838082142201"
ngwmn_wl <- read_ngwmn_water_level(monitored_location_id = site)

ngwmn_wl_sub <- read_ngwmn_water_level(monitored_location_id = site,
                                       monitored_location_obs_number = 1:5)

ngwmn_wl_time2 <- read_ngwmn_water_level(monitored_location_id = site,
                                          datetime = c("2022-01-01", "2024-01-01"))

sites <- c("USGS-272838082142201", "USGS-404159100494601",
          "USGS-401216080362703", "MBMG-702934")
ngwmn_wl_sites <- read_ngwmn_water_level(monitored_location_id = sites)
```

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```
read_ngwmn_well_construction
```

*Get NGWMN Well Construction Data*

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## Description

Well Construction Observations data

## Usage

```
read_ngwmn_well_construction(
  monitored_location_id = NA_character_,
  monitored_location_obs_number = NA_character_,
  material = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
  ...,
  convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
  no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
  chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_data"),
  limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
  attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)
```

**Arguments**

|                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| monitoring_location_id         | This field is required. Combined site identifier of agency code and site number (format of {agency_code}-{monitoring_location_number}). A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                                                                                          |
| monitoring_location_obs_number | Number of observation for given site. A list of values can be passed for this field, separated by commas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| material                       | Screen type or material.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| properties                     | A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: agency_code, monitoring_location_number, monitoring_location_id, monitoring_location_obs_number, type, depth_from, depth_to, depth_from_unit, depth_to_unit, material, diameter, diameter_unit, hole_size, hole_size_unit. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data. |
| ...                            | Not used. Included to help differentiate official NGWMN API arguments from more seldom used, optional dataRetrieval-specific arguments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| convertType                    | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| no_paging                      | logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.                                                                                                                                  |
| chunk_size                     | Number of monitoring_location_ids to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.                                                                                             |
| limit                          | numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.                   |
| attach_request                 | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

**Examples**

```

site <- "USGS-272838082142201"
ngwmn_well <- read_ngwmn_well_construction(monitoring_location_id = site)

ngwmn_well_sub <- read_ngwmn_well_construction(monitoring_location_id = site,
                                                monitoring_location_obs_number = 2)

sites <- c("USGS-272838082142201", "USGS-404159100494601",
          "USGS-401216080362703", "MBMG-702934")
ngwml_well_sites <- read_ngwmn_well_construction(monitoring_location_id = sites)

```

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|                |                                                           |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| read_waterdata | <i>Generalized USGS Water Data API retrieval function</i> |
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## Description

Function that allows complex CQL queries. See <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/docs/ogcapi/complex-queries/> for more information.

## Usage

```
read_waterdata(
  service,
  CQL,
  ...,
  convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
  limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
  attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)
```

## Arguments

|                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| service        | character, can be any existing collection.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| CQL            | A string in a Common Query Language format.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| ...            | Additional arguments to send to the request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| convertType    | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates and qualifier to string vector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| limit          | numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service. |
| attach_request | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

## Examples

```
cql <- '{
  "op": "and",
  "args": [
    {
      "op": "in",
      "args": [
```

```

      { "property": "parameter_code" },
      [ "00060", "00065" ]
    ]
  },
  {
    "op": "in",
    "args": [
      { "property": "monitoring_location_id" },
      [ "USGS-07367300", "USGS-03277200" ]
    ]
  }
]
}'

dv_data <- read_waterdata(service = "daily",
                          CQL = cql,
                          time = c("2023-01-01", "2024-01-01"))

# A wildcard in CQL2 is %
# Here's how to get HUCs that fall within 02070010
cql_huc_wildcard <- '{
  "op": "like",
  "args": [
    { "property": "hydrologic_unit_code" },
    "02070010%"
  ]
}'

what_huc_sites <- read_waterdata(service = "monitoring-locations",
                                CQL = cql_huc_wildcard)

```

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read\_waterdata\_channel

*Get USGS Channel Measurements*


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## Description

Channel measurements taken as part of streamflow field measurements.

## Usage

```

read_waterdata_channel(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  field_visit_id = NA_character_,
  measurement_number = NA_character_,
  time = NA_character_,
  channel_name = NA_character_,

```

```

channel_flow = NA_character_,
channel_flow_unit = NA_character_,
channel_width = NA_character_,
channel_width_unit = NA_character_,
channel_area = NA_character_,
channel_area_unit = NA_character_,
channel_velocity = NA_character_,
channel_velocity_unit = NA_character_,
channel_location_distance = NA_character_,
channel_location_distance_unit = NA_character_,
channel_location_direction = NA_character_,
channel_stability = NA_character_,
channel_material = NA_character_,
channel_evenness = NA_character_,
horizontal_velocity_description = NA_character_,
vertical_velocity_description = NA_character_,
longitudinal_velocity_description = NA_character_,
measurement_type = NA_character_,
last_modified = NA_character_,
channel_measurement_type = NA_character_,
properties = NA_character_,
skipGeometry = NA,
bbox = NA,
...,
convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_data"),
attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)

```

## Arguments

- monitoring\_location\_id** A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the id field in the monitoring-locations endpoint. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500). Multiple monitoring\_location\_ids can be requested as a character vector.
- field\_visit\_id** A universally unique identifier (UUID) for the field visit. Multiple measurements may be made during a single field visit.
- measurement\_number** Measurement number.
- time** The date an observation represents. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:
- A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"

- A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"
- Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"
- Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours

Only features that have a time that intersects the value of datetime are selected. If a feature has multiple temporal properties, it is the decision of the server whether only a single temporal property is used to determine the extent or all relevant temporal properties.

|                                   |                                            |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| channel_name                      | The channel name.                          |
| channel_flow                      | Channel discharge.                         |
| channel_flow_unit                 | The units for channel discharge.           |
| channel_width                     | The channel width.                         |
| channel_width_unit                | The units for channel width.               |
| channel_area                      | The channel area.                          |
| channel_area_unit                 | The units for channel area.                |
| channel_velocity                  | The mean channel velocity.                 |
| channel_velocity_unit             | The units for channel velocity.            |
| channel_location_distance         | The channel location distance.             |
| channel_location_distance_unit    | The units for channel location distance.   |
| channel_location_direction        | Location of the measurement from the gage. |
| channel_stability                 | The stability of the channel material.     |
| channel_material                  | The channel material.                      |
| channel_evenness                  | The channel evenness from bank to bank.    |
| horizontal_velocity_description   | The horizontal velocity description.       |
| vertical_velocity_description     | The vertical velocity description.         |
| longitudinal_velocity_description | The longitudinal velocity description.     |
| measurement_type                  | The measurement type.                      |

|                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>last_modified</code>            | <p>The last time a record was refreshed in our database. This may happen due to regular operational processes and does not necessarily indicate anything about the measurement has changed. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a <code>last_modified</code> that intersects the value of <code>datetime</code> are selected.</p> <p><code>field_visit_id = NA_character_</code>,</p>                                                                                                                                           |
| <code>channel_measurement_type</code> | <p>The channel measurement type.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <code>properties</code>               | <p>A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: <code>geometry</code>, <code>channel_measurements_id</code>, <code>monitoring_location_id</code>, <code>field_visit_id</code>, <code>measurement_number</code>, <code>time</code>, <code>channel_name</code>, <code>channel_flow</code>, <code>channel_flow_unit</code>, <code>channel_width</code>, <code>channel_width_unit</code>, <code>channel_area</code>, <code>channel_area_unit</code>, <code>channel_velocity</code>, <code>channel_velocity_unit</code>, <code>channel_location_distance</code>, <code>channel_location_distance_unit</code>, <code>channel_stability</code>, <code>channel_material</code>, <code>channel_evenness</code>, <code>horizontal_velocity_description</code>, <code>vertical_velocity_description</code>, <code>longitudinal_velocity_description</code>, <code>measurement_type</code>, <code>last_modified</code>, <code>channel_measurement_type</code>, <code>channel_location_direction</code>. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.</p> |
| <code>skipGeometry</code>             | <p>This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <code>bbox</code>                     | <p>Only features that have a <code>geometry</code> that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: <code>c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax)</code>. Another way to think of it is <code>c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude)</code>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <code>...</code>                      | <p>Not used. Included to help differentiate official Water Data API arguments from more seldom used, optional <code>dataRetrieval</code>-specific arguments.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <code>convertType</code>              | <p>logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <code>no_paging</code>                | <p>logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <code>limit</code>                    | <p>numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

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| chunk_size     | Number of monitoring_location_ids to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control. |
| attach_request | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                      |

## Details

You can also use a vector of length 2 for any time queries (such as time or last\_modified). The first value is the starting date (or datetime), the second value is the ending date(or datetime). NA's within the vector indicate a half-bound date. For example, `time = c("2024-01-01", NA)` will return all data starting at 2024-01-01. `time = c(NA, "2024-01-01")` will return all data from the beginning of the timeseries until 2024-01-01. By default, time is assumed UTC, although time zone attributes will be accommodated. As an example, setting `time = as.POSIXct(c("2021-01-01 12:00:00", "2021-01-01 14:00"), tz = "America/New_York")` will request data that between noon and 2pm eastern time on 2021-01-01. All time values RETURNED from the service are UTC with the exception of daily data, which returns time values in local dates.

## Examples

```
site <- "USGS-02238500"
df <- read_waterdata_channel(monitored_location_id = site)
```

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read\_waterdata\_combined\_meta

*Get USGS Monitoring Location Metadata*

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## Description

This endpoint combines metadata from timeseries and field measurements collections by site.

## Usage

```
read_waterdata_combined_meta(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  parameter_code = NA_character_,
  parameter_name = NA_character_,
  unit_of_measure = NA_character_,
  statistic_id = NA_character_,
  parameter_description = NA_character_,
  data_type = NA_character_,
  computation_identifier = NA_character_,
```

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computation_period_identifier = NA_character_,
thresholds = NA_character_,
sublocation_identifier = NA_character_,
primary = NA_character_,
web_description = NA_character_,
parent_time_series_id = NA_character_,
begin = NA_character_,
end = NA_character_,
last_modified = NA_character_,
agency_code = NA_character_,
agency_name = NA_character_,
monitoring_location_number = NA_character_,
monitoring_location_name = NA_character_,
district_code = NA_character_,
country_code = NA_character_,
country_name = NA_character_,
state_code = NA_character_,
state_name = NA_character_,
county_code = NA_character_,
county_name = NA_character_,
minor_civil_division_code = NA_character_,
site_type_code = NA_character_,
site_type = NA_character_,
hydrologic_unit_code = NA_character_,
basin_code = NA_character_,
altitude = NA_character_,
altitude_accuracy = NA_character_,
altitude_method_code = NA_character_,
altitude_method_name = NA_character_,
vertical_datum = NA_character_,
vertical_datum_name = NA_character_,
horizontal_positional_accuracy_code = NA_character_,
horizontal_positional_accuracy = NA_character_,
horizontal_position_method_code = NA_character_,
horizontal_position_method_name = NA_character_,
original_horizontal_datum = NA_character_,
original_horizontal_datum_name = NA_character_,
drainage_area = NA_character_,
contributing_drainage_area = NA_character_,
time_zone_abbreviation = NA_character_,
uses_daylight_savings = NA_character_,
construction_date = NA_character_,
aquifer_code = NA_character_,
national_aquifer_code = NA_character_,
aquifer_type_code = NA_character_,
well_constructed_depth = NA_character_,
hole_constructed_depth = NA_character_,
depth_source_code = NA_character_,
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properties = NA_character_,
skipGeometry = NA,
bbox = NA,
...,
convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_meta"),
attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)

```

## Arguments

- monitoring\_location\_id** A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the id field in the monitoring-locations endpoint. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500). Multiple monitoring\_location\_ids can be requested as a character vector.
- parameter\_code** Parameter codes are 5-digit codes used to identify the constituent measured and the units of measure. A complete list of parameter codes and associated groupings can be found at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items>. Multiple parameter\_codes can be requested as a character vector.
- parameter\_name** A human-understandable name corresponding to parameter\_code. Multiple parameter\_names can be requested as a character vector.
- unit\_of\_measure** A human-readable description of the units of measurement associated with an observation.
- statistic\_id** A code corresponding to the statistic an observation represents. Example codes include 00001 (max), 00002 (min), and 00003 (mean). A complete list of codes and their descriptions can be found at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/statistic-codes/items>. Multiple statistic\_ids can be requested as a character vector.
- parameter\_description** A description of what the parameter code represents, as used by WDFN and other USGS data dissemination products.
- data\_type** The computational period type of data collected at the monitoring location.
- computation\_identifier** Indicates the computation performed to calculate this time series. Values of "Instantaneous" reflect point measurements. Multiple computation\_identifiers can be requested as a character vector.
- computation\_period\_identifier** Multiple computation\_period\_identifiers can be requested as a character vector.

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| thresholds             | Thresholds represent known numeric limits for a time series, for example the historic maximum value for a parameter or a level below which a sensor is non-operative. These thresholds are sometimes used to automatically determine if an observation is erroneous due to sensor error, and therefore shouldn't be included in the time series.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| sublocation_identifier | An optional human-readable identifier used to specify where measurements are recorded at a monitoring location.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| primary                | A flag identifying if the time series is a "primary" time series. "Primary" time series (which have this flag) are standard observations which undergo Bureau review and approval processes. Non-primary time series, which will have missing values for "primary", are provisional datasets made available to meet the need for timely best science and to assist with daily operations which need real-time information. Non-primary time series data are only retained by this system for 120 days.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| web_description        | An optional description of the time series. WDFN and other USGS data dissemination products use this field, in combination with sublocation_identifier, to distinguish the differences between multiple time series for the same parameter code, statistic code, and monitoring location.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| parent_time_series_id  | The unique identifier representing the parent or "upchain" time series that a daily values time series is generated from. Daily values time series have one and only one parent time series.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| begin                  | <p>The datetime of the earliest observation in the time series. Together with end_utc, this field represents the period of record of a time series. Note that some time series may have large gaps in their collection record. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a begin_utc that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| end                    | The datetime of the most recent observation in the time series. Data returned by this endpoint updates at most once per day, and potentially less frequently than that, and as such there may be more recent observations within a time series than the time series end_utc value reflects. Together with begin_utc, this field represents the period of record of a time series. It is additionally used to determine whether a time series is "active". You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

- A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"
- A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"
- Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"
- Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours

Only features that have a `end_utc` that intersects the value of `datetime` are selected.

See also Details below for more information.

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| <code>last_modified</code>              | <p>The last time a record was refreshed in our database. This may happen due to regular operational processes and does not necessarily indicate anything about the measurement has changed. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a <code>last_modified</code> that intersects the value of <code>datetime</code> are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| <code>agency_code</code>                | <p>The agency that is reporting the data. Agency codes are fixed values assigned by the National Water Information System (NWIS). A list of agency codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <code>agency_name</code>                | The name of the agency that is reporting the data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <code>monitoring_location_number</code> | Each monitoring location in the USGS data base has a unique 8- to 15-digit identification number.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <code>monitoring_location_name</code>   | This is the official name of the monitoring location in the database. For well information this can be a district-assigned local number.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <code>district_code</code>              | The Water Science Centers (WSCs) across the United States use the FIPS state code as the district code. In some case, monitoring locations and samples may be managed by a water science center that is adjacent to the state in which the monitoring location actually resides. For example a monitoring location may have a district code of 30 which translates to Montana, but the state code could be 56 for Wyoming because that is where the monitoring location actually is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <code>country_code</code>               | The code for the country in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <code>country_name</code>               | The name of the country in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <code>state_code</code>                 | State code. A <b>two-digit ANSI code</b> (formerly FIPS code) as defined by the American National Standards Institute, to define States and equivalents. A three-digit ANSI code is used to define counties and county equivalents. A <b>lookup</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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|                           | <b>table is available.</b> The only countries with political subdivisions other than the US are Mexico and Canada. The Mexican states have US state codes ranging from 81-86 and Canadian provinces have state codes ranging from 90-98.                                                                  |
| state_name                | The name of the state or state equivalent in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| county_code               | The code for the county or county equivalent (parish, borough, etc.) in which the monitoring location is located. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items</a> . |
| county_name               | The name of the county or county equivalent (parish, borough, etc.) in which the monitoring location is located. [A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items</a> . |
| minor_civil_division_code | Codes for primary governmental or administrative divisions of the county or county equivalent in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                |
| site_type_code            | A code describing the hydrologic setting of the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items</a> .                                          |
| site_type                 | A description of the hydrologic setting of the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items</a> .                                           |
| hydrologic_unit_code      | The hydrologic unit code (HUC) for the monitoring location. Supports prefix matching — querying with a shorter HUC (e.g. "04") matches all locations within that hydrologic region.                                                                                                                       |
| basin_code                | The Basin Code or "drainage basin code" is a two-digit code that further subdivides the 8-digit hydrologic-unit code. The drainage basin code is defined by the USGS State Office where the monitoring location is located.                                                                               |
| altitude                  | Altitude of the monitoring location referenced to the specified Vertical Datum.                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| altitude_accuracy         | Accuracy of the altitude, in feet. An accuracy of +/- 0.1 foot would be entered as ".1". Many altitudes are interpolated from the contours on topographic maps; accuracies determined in this way are generally entered as one-half of the contour interval.                                              |
| altitude_method_code      | Codes representing the method used to measure altitude.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| altitude_method_name      | The name of the method used to measure altitude.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| vertical_datum            | The datum used to determine altitude and vertical position at the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items</a> .              |
| vertical_datum_name       | The datum used to determine altitude and vertical position at the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items</a> .              |

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| horizontal_positional_accuracy_code | Indicates the accuracy of the latitude longitude values. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-accuracy-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-accuracy-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| horizontal_positional_accuracy      | Indicates the accuracy of the latitude longitude values. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-accuracy-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-accuracy-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| horizontal_position_method_code     | Indicates the method used to determine latitude longitude values. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| horizontal_position_method_name     | Indicates the method used to determine latitude longitude values. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| original_horizontal_datum           | Coordinates are published in EPSG:4326 / WGS84 / World Geodetic System 1984. This field indicates the original datum used to determine coordinates before they were converted. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                     |
| original_horizontal_datum_name      | Coordinates are published in EPSG:4326 / WGS84 / World Geodetic System 1984. This field indicates the original datum used to determine coordinates before they were converted. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                     |
| drainage_area                       | The area enclosed by a topographic divide from which direct surface runoff from precipitation normally drains by gravity into the stream above that point.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| contributing_drainage_area          | The contributing drainage area of a lake, stream, wetland, or estuary monitoring location, in square miles. This item should be present only if the contributing area is different from the total drainage area. This situation can occur when part of the drainage area consists of very porous soil or depressions that either allow all runoff to enter the groundwater or traps the water in ponds so that rainfall does not contribute to runoff. A transbasin diversion can also affect the total drainage area. |
| time_zone_abbreviation              | A short code describing the time zone used by a monitoring location.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| uses_daylight_savings               | A flag indicating whether or not a monitoring location uses daylight savings.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| construction_date                   | Date the well was completed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| aquifer_code                        | Local aquifers in the USGS water resources data base are identified by a geohydrologic unit code (a three-digit number related to the age of the formation, followed by a 4 or 5 character abbreviation for the geologic unit or aquifer name).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| national_aquifer_code               | National aquifers are the principal aquifers or aquifer systems in the United States, defined as regionally extensive aquifers or aquifer systems that have the                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

potential to be used as a source of potable water. Not all groundwater monitoring locations can be associated with a National Aquifer. Such monitoring locations will not be retrieved using this search criteria. A list of National aquifer codes and names is available at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/national-aquifer-codes/items>.

#### aquifer\_type\_code

Describes the confinement status of an aquifer at the monitoring location. A confined aquifer is an aquifer below the land surface that is saturated with water. A water table—or unconfined—aquifer is an aquifer whose upper water surface (water table) is at atmospheric pressure, and thus is able to rise and fall.

#### well\_constructed\_depth

The depth of the finished well, in feet below land surface datum. Note: Not all groundwater monitoring locations have information on Well Depth. Such monitoring locations will not be retrieved using this search criteria.

#### hole\_constructed\_depth

The total depth to which the hole is drilled, in feet below land surface datum. Note: Not all groundwater monitoring locations have information on Hole Depth. Such monitoring locations will not be retrieved using this search criteria.

#### depth\_source\_code

A code indicating the source of water-level data.

#### properties

A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: geometry, monitoring\_location\_id, agency\_code, agency\_name, monitoring\_location\_number, monitoring\_location\_name, district\_code, country\_code, country\_name, state\_code, state\_name, county\_code, county\_name, minor\_civil\_division\_code, site\_type\_code, site\_type, hydrologic\_unit\_code, basin\_code, altitude, altitude\_accuracy, altitude\_method\_code, altitude\_method\_name, vertical\_datum, vertical\_datum\_name, horizontal\_positional\_accuracy\_code, horizontal\_positional\_accuracy, horizontal\_position\_method\_code, horizontal\_position\_method\_name, original\_horizontal\_datum, original\_horizontal\_datum\_name, drainage\_area, contributing\_drainage\_area, time\_zone\_abbreviation, uses\_daylight\_savings, construction\_date, aquifer\_code, national\_aquifer\_code, aquifer\_type\_code, well\_constructed\_depth, hole\_constructed\_depth, depth\_source\_code, field\_measurement\_id, unit\_of\_measure, parameter\_name, parameter\_code, statistic\_id, last\_modified, begin, end, data\_type, computation\_identifier, thresholds, sublocation\_identifier, primary, web\_description, parameter\_description, parent\_time\_series\_id, data\_gap\_interval, reading\_type. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.

#### skipGeometry

This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.

#### bbox

Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax). Another way to think of it is c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude).

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| ...            | Not used. Included to help differentiate official Water Data API arguments from more seldom used, optional dataRetrieval-specific arguments.                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| convertType    | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| limit          | numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service. |
| no_paging      | logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.                                                                                                                |
| chunk_size     | Number of monitoring_location_ids to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.                                                                           |
| attach_request | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

## Details

You can also use a vector of length 2 for any time queries (such as time or last\_modified). The first value is the starting date (or datetime), the second value is the ending date(or datetime). NA's within the vector indicate a half-bound date. For example, `time = c("2024-01-01", NA)` will return all data starting at 2024-01-01. `time = c(NA, "2024-01-01")` will return all data from the beginning of the timeseries until 2024-01-01. By default, time is assumed UTC, although time zone attributes will be accommodated. As an example, setting `time = as.POSIXct(c("2021-01-01 12:00:00", "2021-01-01 14:00"), tz = "America/New_York")` will request data that between noon and 2pm eastern time on 2021-01-01. All time values RETURNED from the service are UTC with the exception of daily data, which returns time values in local dates.

## Examples

```
site <- "USGS-05407000"
available_data_sf <- read_waterdata_combined_meta(monitored_location_id = site)

groundwater <- read_waterdata_combined_meta(monitored_location_id = "USGS-375907091432201")

date_wi_data <- read_waterdata_combined_meta(state_name = "Wisconsin",
                                              county_name = "Dane County")

multi_site <- read_waterdata_combined_meta(
  monitored_location_id = c("USGS-451605097071701",
                           "USGS-263819081585801"),
  parameter_code = c("62611", "72019"))
```

```

surface_water <- read_waterdata_combined_meta(
  monitoring_location_id = c("USGS-07069000",
                             "USGS-07064000",
                             "USGS-07068000"),
  end = "P1M",
  parameter_code = "00060")

hucs <- read_waterdata_combined_meta(
  hydrologic_unit_code = c("11010008", "11010009"),
  site_type = c("Stream", "Spring")
)

site_list <- read_waterdata_combined_meta(
  monitoring_location_id = hucs$monitoring_location_id
)

# Query for instantaneous gage height data for a site in Iowa
sites_inst <- read_waterdata_combined_meta(
  monitoring_location_id = "USGS-05418400",
  parameter_code = "00065"
)

# parse individual thresholds lists:
threshold_1 <- jsonlite::fromJSON(sites_inst$thresholds[3])

```

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read\_waterdata\_continuous

*Get Continuous USGS Water Data*


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## Description

Continuous data are collected via automated sensors installed at a monitoring location. They are collected at a high frequency and often at a fixed 15-minute interval. Depending on the specific monitoring location, the data may be transmitted automatically via telemetry and be available on WDFN within minutes of collection, while other times the delivery of data may be delayed if the monitoring location does not have the capacity to automatically transmit data. Continuous data are described by parameter name and parameter code (pcode). These data might also be referred to as "instantaneous values" or "IV".

Currently, the services only allow up to 3 years of data to be requested with a single request. If no "time" is specified, the service will return the last single year of data. If this is a bottleneck, please check back for new direct download functions that are expected to be available sometime in 2027.

## Usage

```
read_waterdata_continuous(
```

```

monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
parameter_code = NA_character_,
properties = NA_character_,
time_series_id = NA_character_,
approval_status = NA_character_,
unit_of_measure = NA_character_,
qualifier = NA_character_,
value = NA,
last_modified = NA_character_,
time = NA_character_,
skipGeometry = TRUE,
bbox = NA,
...,
convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_data"),
attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)

```

## Arguments

- monitoring\_location\_id** A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the `id` field in the `monitoring-locations` endpoint. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500). Multiple `monitoring_location_ids` can be requested as a character vector.
- parameter\_code** Parameter codes are 5-digit codes used to identify the constituent measured and the units of measure. A complete list of parameter codes and associated groupings can be found at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items>. Multiple `parameter_codes` can be requested as a character vector.
- properties** A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: `geometry`, `time_series_id`, `monitoring_location_id`, `parameter_code`, `statistic_id`, `time`, `value`, `unit_of_measure`, `approval_status`, `qualifier`, `last_modified`. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.
- time\_series\_id** A unique identifier representing a single time series. This corresponds to the `id` field in the `time-series-metadata` endpoint. Multiple `time_series_ids` can be requested as a character vector.
- approval\_status** Some of the data that you have obtained from this U.S. Geological Survey database may not have received Director's approval. Any such data values are qualified as provisional and are subject to revision. Provisional data are released on the condition that neither the USGS nor the United States Government may be held liable for any damages resulting from its use. This field reflects the

approval status of each record, and is either "Approved", meaning processing review has been completed and the data is approved for publication, or "Provisional" and subject to revision. For more information about provisional data, go to <https://waterdata.usgs.gov/provisional-data-statement/>.

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| unit_of_measure | A human-readable description of the units of measurement associated with an observation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| qualifier       | This field indicates any qualifiers associated with an observation, for instance if a sensor may have been impacted by ice or if values were estimated.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| value           | The value of the observation. Values are transmitted as strings in the JSON response format in order to preserve precision.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| last_modified   | <p>The last time a record was refreshed in our database. This may happen due to regular operational processes and does not necessarily indicate anything about the measurement has changed. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a last_modified that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p>                                |
| time            | <p>The date an observation represents. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a time that intersects the value of datetime are selected. If a feature has multiple temporal properties, it is the decision of the server whether only a single temporal property is used to determine the extent or all relevant temporal properties.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| skipGeometry    | This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| bbox            | Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |



```

      properties = c("value", "time"),
      time = as.POSIXct(c("2026-02-07 12:00",
                          "2026-02-08 12:00"),
                        tz = "America/Chicago"))

uv_data <- read_waterdata_continuous(monitored_location_id = site,
                                   parameter_code = pcode,
                                   time = "P2D")

# Only return data that has been modified in last 7 days
multi_site2 <- read_waterdata_continuous(monitored_location_id = c("USGS-451605097071701",
                                                                    "USGS-14181500"),
                                       parameter_code = c("00060", "72019"),
                                       last_modified = "P7D")

dane <- read_waterdata_continuous(
  state_name = "Wisconsin",
  county_name = "Dane County",
  parameter_code = "00060",
  time = "P1D")

# how to split up request into roughly 3 year chunks

site <- "USGS-0208458892"
pcode <- "00095" # Specific conductance
start <- as.Date("2013-01-01")
end <- as.Date("2025-12-31")

n_days <- difftime(end, start, units = "days")

# create a vector of dates that are about 3 years apart:
time_chunks <- seq(from = start,
                   to = end,
                   length.out = ceiling(n_days/(3*365.25)) + 1)

# create a list where each element starts at the beginning
# of a chunk, and ends the day before the next chunk:
time_df <- data.frame(start = time_chunks[-length(time_chunks)],
                     end = time_chunks[-1]-1)

#all_data <- data.frame()
#for(i in seq_along(time_df$start)){
#  sub_df <- read_waterdata_continuous(monitored_location_id = site,
#                                     parameter_code = pcode,
#                                     time = c(time_df$start[i],
#                                               time_df$end[i]))
#  all_data <- rbind(all_data, sub_df)
# }

# Set the time to Eastern:
# all_data$time <- lubridate::force_tz(all_data$time, "America/New_York")

```

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`read_waterdata_daily`    *Get USGS Daily Data*

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### Description

Daily data provide one data value to represent water conditions for the day. Throughout much of the history of the USGS, the primary water data available was daily data collected manually at the monitoring location once each day. With improved availability of computer storage and automated transmission of data, the daily data published today are generally a statistical summary or metric of the continuous data collected each day, such as the daily mean, minimum, or maximum value. Daily data are automatically calculated from the continuous data of the same parameter code and are described by parameter code and a statistic code. These data have also been referred to as “daily values” or “DV”.

### Usage

```
read_waterdata_daily(  
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,  
  parameter_code = NA_character_,  
  statistic_id = NA_character_,  
  properties = NA_character_,  
  time_series_id = NA_character_,  
  approval_status = NA_character_,  
  unit_of_measure = NA_character_,  
  qualifier = NA_character_,  
  value = NA,  
  last_modified = NA_character_,  
  skipGeometry = NA,  
  time = NA_character_,  
  bbox = NA,  
  ...,  
  convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),  
  no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),  
  chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_data"),  
  limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),  
  attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")  
)
```

### Arguments

`monitoring_location_id`

A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the `id` field in the `monitoring-locations` endpoint. Monitoring location

IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500).

Multiple monitoring\_location\_ids can be requested as a character vector.

**parameter\_code** Parameter codes are 5-digit codes used to identify the constituent measured and the units of measure. A complete list of parameter codes and associated groupings can be found at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items>.

Multiple parameter\_codes can be requested as a character vector.

**statistic\_id** A code corresponding to the statistic an observation represents. Example codes include 00001 (max), 00002 (min), and 00003 (mean). A complete list of codes and their descriptions can be found at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/statistic-codes/items>.

Multiple statistic\_ids can be requested as a character vector.

**properties** A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: geometry, time\_series\_id, monitoring\_location\_id, parameter\_code, statistic\_id, time, value, unit\_of\_measure, approval\_status, qualifier, last\_modified. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.

**time\_series\_id** A unique identifier representing a single time series. This corresponds to the id field in the time-series-metadata endpoint.

Multiple time\_series\_ids can be requested as a character vector.

**approval\_status** Some of the data that you have obtained from this U.S. Geological Survey database may not have received Director's approval. Any such data values are qualified as provisional and are subject to revision. Provisional data are released on the condition that neither the USGS nor the United States Government may be held liable for any damages resulting from its use. This field reflects the approval status of each record, and is either "Approved", meaning processing review has been completed and the data is approved for publication, or "Provisional" and subject to revision. For more information about provisional data, go to <https://waterdata.usgs.gov/provisional-data-statement/>.

**unit\_of\_measure** A human-readable description of the units of measurement associated with an observation.

**qualifier** This field indicates any qualifiers associated with an observation, for instance if a sensor may have been impacted by ice or if values were estimated.

**value** The value of the observation. Values are transmitted as strings in the JSON response format in order to preserve precision.

**last\_modified** The last time a record was refreshed in our database. This may happen due to regular operational processes and does not necessarily indicate anything about the measurement has changed. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:

- A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"
- A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"

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|              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a last_modified that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| skipGeometry | This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| time         | <p>The date an observation represents. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a time that intersects the value of datetime are selected. If a feature has multiple temporal properties, it is the decision of the server whether only a single temporal property is used to determine the extent or all relevant temporal properties.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| bbox         | Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax). Another way to think of it is c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| ...          | Arguments that can be queried, but are not returned. These are used as alternatives to specifying specific monitoring_location_ids. See ?get_monitoring_location_arguments for available arguments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| convertType  | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| no_paging    | logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| chunk_size   | Number of monitoring_location_ids to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| limit        | numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

`attach_request` logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.

## Details

You can also use a vector of length 2 for any time queries (such as `time` or `last_modified`). The first value is the starting date (or datetime), the second value is the ending date (or datetime). NA's within the vector indicate a half-bound date. For example, `time = c("2024-01-01", NA)` will return all data starting at 2024-01-01. `time = c(NA, "2024-01-01")` will return all data from the beginning of the timeseries until 2024-01-01. By default, time is assumed UTC, although time zone attributes will be accommodated. As an example, setting `time = as.POSIXct(c("2021-01-01 12:00:00", "2021-01-01 14:00:00"), tz = "America/New_York")` will request data that between noon and 2pm eastern time on 2021-01-01. All time values RETURNED from the service are UTC with the exception of daily data, which returns time values in local dates.

## See Also

[get\\_monitoring\\_location\\_arguments\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
site <- "USGS-02238500"
dv_data_sf <- read_waterdata_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
                                   parameter_code = "00060",
                                   time = c("2021-01-01", "2022-01-01"))

dv_data_last_modified <- read_waterdata_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
                                               parameter_code = "00060",
                                               last_modified = "P7D")

dv_data_trim <- read_waterdata_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
                                     parameter_code = "00060",
                                     properties = c("value",
                                                    "time"),
                                     time = c("2021-01-01", "2022-01-01"))

dv_data <- read_waterdata_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
                               parameter_code = "00060",
                               skipGeometry = TRUE)

dv_data_period <- read_waterdata_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
                                       parameter_code = "00060",
                                       time = "P7D")

multi_site <- read_waterdata_daily(monitored_location_id = c("USGS-01491000",
                                                            "USGS-01645000"),
                                   parameter_code = c("00060", "00010"),
                                   time = c("2023-01-01", "2024-01-01"))

dv_data_quick <- read_waterdata_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
```

```

        parameter_code = "00060",
        no_paging = TRUE)

dv_post <- read_waterdata_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
                               approval_status = c("Approved", "Provisional"))
# Don't attach "request" attribute:
options("dataRetrieval.attach_request" = FALSE)
dv_data_no_request <- read_waterdata_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
                                           parameter_code = "00060",
                                           time = c("2021-01-01", "2022-01-01"))

dv_dane <- read_waterdata_daily(
  state_name = "Wisconsin",
  county_name = "Dane County",
  parameter_code = "00060",
  time = "P7D")

```

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read\_waterdata\_field\_measurements

*Get USGS Field Measurement Water Data*


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## Description

Field measurements are physically measured values collected during a visit to the monitoring location. Field measurements consist of measurements of gage height and discharge, and readings of groundwater levels, and are primarily used as calibration readings for the automated sensors collecting continuous data. They are collected at a low frequency, and delivery of the data in WDFN may be delayed due to data processing time.

## Usage

```

read_waterdata_field_measurements(
  monitored_location_id = NA_character_,
  parameter_code = NA_character_,
  observing_procedure_code = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
  field_visit_id = NA_character_,
  field_measurements_series_id = NA_character_,
  approval_status = NA_character_,
  unit_of_measure = NA_character_,
  qualifier = NA_character_,
  value = NA,
  last_modified = NA_character_,
  observing_procedure = NA_character_,
  vertical_datum = NA_character_,
  measuring_agency = NA_character_,

```

```

control_condition = NA_character_,
measurement_rated = NA_character_,
skipGeometry = NA,
time = NA_character_,
bbox = NA,
...,
convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_data"),
attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)

```

## Arguments

- monitoring\_location\_id** A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the `id` field in the `monitoring-locations` endpoint. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500). Multiple `monitoring_location_ids` can be requested as a character vector.
- parameter\_code** Parameter codes are 5-digit codes used to identify the constituent measured and the units of measure. A complete list of parameter codes and associated groupings can be found at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcap/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items>. Multiple `parameter_codes` can be requested as a character vector.
- observing\_procedure\_code** A short code corresponding to the observing procedure for the field measurement.
- properties** A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: `geometry`, `field_measurements_series_id`, `reading_type`, `field_visit_id`, `parameter_code`, `monitoring_location_id`, `observing_procedure_code`, `observing_procedure`, `value`, `unit_of_measure`, `time`, `qualifier`, `vertical_datum`, `approval_status`, `measuring_agency`, `last_modified`, `control_condition`, `measurement_rated`, `year`, `month`, `day`, `time_of_day`. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.
- field\_visit\_id** A universally unique identifier (UUID) for the field visit. Multiple measurements may be made during a single field visit.
- field\_measurements\_series\_id** A unique identifier representing a single collection series. This corresponds to the `field_measurements_series_id` field in the `read_waterdata_field_meta` endpoint. Collection series are defined as the set of field measurements at a given monitoring location for a single parameter code using a single reading type.
- approval\_status** Some of the data that you have obtained from this U.S. Geological Survey database may not have received Director's approval. Any such data values are qualified as provisional and are subject to revision. Provisional data are released

on the condition that neither the USGS nor the United States Government may be held liable for any damages resulting from its use. This field reflects the approval status of each record, and is either "Approved", meaning processing review has been completed and the data is approved for publication, or "Provisional" and subject to revision. For more information about provisional data, go to <https://waterdata.usgs.gov/provisional-data-statement/>.

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| unit_of_measure     | A human-readable description of the units of measurement associated with an observation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| qualifier           | This field indicates any qualifiers associated with an observation, for instance if a sensor may have been impacted by ice or if values were estimated.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| value               | The value of the observation. Values are transmitted as strings in the JSON response format in order to preserve precision.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| last_modified       | <p>The last time a record was refreshed in our database. This may happen due to regular operational processes and does not necessarily indicate anything about the measurement has changed. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a last_modified that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| observing_procedure | Water measurement or water-quality observing procedure descriptions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| vertical_datum      | The datum used to determine altitude and vertical position at the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| measuring_agency    | The agency performing the measurement.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| control_condition   | <p>The state of the control feature at the time of observation.</p> <p>What and where the control of flow is for the gage pool.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| measurement_rated   | <p>A qualitative estimate of the quality of a measurement.</p> <p>Rated measurement based on the hydrologic/hydraulic conditions in which the measurement was made (excellent (2 percent), good (5 percent), fair (8 percent), or poor (more than 8 percent). percent)</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| skipGeometry        | This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| time           | <p>The date an observation represents. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a time that intersects the value of datetime are selected. If a feature has multiple temporal properties, it is the decision of the server whether only a single temporal property is used to determine the extent or all relevant temporal properties.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| bbox           | <p>Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax). Another way to think of it is c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| ...            | <p>Arguments that can be queried, but are not returned. These are used as alternatives to specifying specific monitoring_location_ids. See ?get_monitoring_location_arguments for available arguments.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| convertType    | <p>logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| no_paging      | <p>logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| limit          | <p>numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| chunk_size     | <p>Number of monitoring_location_ids to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| attach_request | <p>logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

## Details

You can also use a vector of length 2 for any time queries (such as time or last\_modified). The first value is the starting date (or datetime), the second value is the ending date(or datetime). NA's within the vector indicate a half-bound date. For example, time = c("2024-01-01", NA) will return all

data starting at 2024-01-01. `time = c(NA, "2024-01-01")` will return all data from the beginning of the timeseries until 2024-01-01. By default, time is assumed UTC, although time zone attributes will be accommodated. As an example, setting `time = as.POSIXct(c("2021-01-01 12:00:00", "2021-01-01 14:00"), tz = "America/New_York")` will request data that between noon and 2pm eastern time on 2021-01-01. All time values RETURNED from the service are UTC with the exception of daily data, which returns time values in local dates.

### See Also

[get\\_monitoring\\_location\\_arguments\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
site <- "USGS-14202650"
field_data_sf <- read_waterdata_field_measurements(monitored_location_id = site)

groundwater <- read_waterdata_field_measurements(monitored_location_id = "USGS-375907091432201")

field_data <- read_waterdata_field_measurements(monitored_location_id = "USGS-02238500",
  parameter_code = "00060",
  time = as.POSIXct(c("2024-02-26 15:00:00",
    "2025-08-27 12:00:00"),
    tz = "America/Chicago"),
  skipGeometry = TRUE)

gwl_data_period <- read_waterdata_field_measurements(
  monitored_location_id = "USGS-375907091432201",
  parameter_code = "72019",
  time = "P20Y")

multi_site <- read_waterdata_field_measurements(
  monitored_location_id = c("USGS-451605097071701",
    "USGS-263819081585801"),
  parameter_code = c("62611", "72019"))

old_df <- read_waterdata_field_measurements(monitored_location_id = "USGS-425957088141001",
  time = c("1980-01-01", NA))

new_df <- read_waterdata_field_measurements(monitored_location_id = "USGS-425957088141001",
  time = c(NA, "2020-01-01"))

surface_water <- read_waterdata_field_measurements(
  monitored_location_id = c("USGS-07069000",
    "USGS-07064000",
    "USGS-07068000"),
  time = "2024-07-01T00:00:00Z/..",
  parameter_code = "00060")

dane <- read_waterdata_field_measurements(
  state_name = "Wisconsin",
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county_name = "Dane County",
parameter_code = "00060",
time = "P30D")

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read\_waterdata\_field\_meta

*Get USGS Field Measurement Metadata*


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## Description

This endpoint provides metadata about field measurement collections, including when the earliest and most recent observations for a parameter occurred at a monitoring location and its units.

## Usage

```

read_waterdata_field_meta(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  parameter_code = NA_character_,
  parameter_name = NA_character_,
  parameter_description = NA_character_,
  begin = NA_character_,
  end = NA_character_,
  last_modified = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
  skipGeometry = NA,
  bbox = NA,
  limit = NA,
  ...,
  convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
  no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
  chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_meta"),
  attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)

```

## Arguments

monitoring\_location\_id

A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the id field in the monitoring-locations endpoint. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500).

Multiple monitoring\_location\_ids can be requested as a character vector.

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| parameter_code        | <p>Parameter codes are 5-digit codes used to identify the constituent measured and the units of measure. A complete list of parameter codes and associated groupings can be found at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items</a>.</p> <p>Multiple parameter_codes can be requested as a character vector.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| parameter_name        | <p>A human-understandable name corresponding to parameter_code. Multiple parameter_names can be requested as a character vector.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| parameter_description | <p>A description of what the parameter code represents, as used by WDFN and other USGS data dissemination products.</p> <p>Multiple parameter_descriptions can be requested as a character vector.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| begin                 | <p>The datetime of the earliest observation in the time series. Together with end_utc, this field represents the period of record of a time series. Note that some time series may have large gaps in their collection record. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a begin_utc that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| end                   | <p>The datetime of the most recent observation in the time series. Data returned by this endpoint updates at most once per day, and potentially less frequently than that, and as such there may be more recent observations within a time series than the time series end_utc value reflects. Together with begin_utc, this field represents the period of record of a time series. It is additionally used to determine whether a time series is "active". You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a end_utc that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| last_modified         | <p>The last time a record was refreshed in our database. This may happen due to regular operational processes and does not necessarily indicate anything about the measurement has changed. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

- A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"
- A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"
- Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"
- Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours

Only features that have a `last_modified` that intersects the value of `datetime` are selected.

See also Details below for more information.

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| <code>properties</code>     | A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: <code>geometry</code> , <code>field_measurement_id</code> , <code>reading_type</code> , <code>monitoring_location_id</code> , <code>parameter_code</code> , <code>parameter_name</code> , <code>parameter_description</code> , <code>begin</code> , <code>end</code> , <code>last_modified</code> . The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.                                                                                |
| <code>skipGeometry</code>   | This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <code>bbox</code>           | Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: <code>c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax)</code> . Another way to think of it is <code>c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude)</code> . |
| <code>limit</code>          | numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <code>...</code>            | Not used. Included to help differentiate official Water Data API arguments from more seldom used, optional <code>dataRetrieval</code> -specific arguments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <code>convertType</code>    | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <code>no_paging</code>      | logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <code>chunk_size</code>     | Number of <code>monitoring_location_ids</code> to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <code>attach_request</code> | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

## Details

You can also use a vector of length 2 for any time queries (such as `time` or `last_modified`). The first value is the starting date (or datetime), the second value is the ending date(or datetime). NA's within

the vector indicate a half-bound date. For example, `time = c("2024-01-01", NA)` will return all data starting at 2024-01-01. `time = c(NA, "2024-01-01")` will return all data from the beginning of the timeseries until 2024-01-01. By default, time is assumed UTC, although time zone attributes will be accommodated. As an example, setting `time = as.POSIXct(c("2021-01-01 12:00:00", "2021-01-01 14:00:00"), tz = "America/New_York")` will request data that between noon and 2pm eastern time on 2021-01-01. All time values RETURNED from the service are UTC with the exception of daily data, which returns time values in local dates.

## Examples

```
site <- "USGS-02238500"
field_data_sf <- read_waterdata_field_meta(monitored_location_id = site)

groundwater <- read_waterdata_field_meta(monitored_location_id = "USGS-375907091432201")

gwl_data <- read_waterdata_field_meta(monitored_location_id = "USGS-02238500",
                                     parameter_code = "00060",
                                     begin = as.POSIXct(c(NA,
                                                         "2025-08-27 12:00:00"),
                                                         tz = "America/Chicago"),
                                     skipGeometry = TRUE)

gwl_data_period <- read_waterdata_field_meta(
  monitored_location_id = "USGS-375907091432201",
  parameter_code = "72019",
  last_modified = "P1Y")

multi_site <- read_waterdata_field_meta(
  monitored_location_id = c("USGS-451605097071701",
                           "USGS-263819081585801"),
  parameter_code = c("62611", "72019"))

surface_water <- read_waterdata_field_meta(
  monitored_location_id = c("USGS-07069000",
                           "USGS-07064000",
                           "USGS-07068000"),
  end = "2024-07-01T00:00:00Z/..",
  parameter_code = "00060")
```

## Description

This endpoint provides the most recent observation for each time series of continuous data. Continuous data are collected via automated sensors installed at a monitoring location. They are collected at a high frequency and often at a fixed 15-minute interval. Depending on the specific monitoring location, the data may be transmitted automatically via telemetry and be available on WDFN within minutes of collection, while other times the delivery of data may be delayed if the monitoring location does not have the capacity to automatically transmit data. Continuous data are described by parameter name and parameter code. These data might also be referred to as "instantaneous values" or "IV"

## Usage

```
read_waterdata_latest_continuous(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  parameter_code = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
  time_series_id = NA_character_,
  approval_status = NA_character_,
  unit_of_measure = NA_character_,
  qualifier = NA_character_,
  value = NA,
  last_modified = NA_character_,
  skipGeometry = NA,
  time = NA_character_,
  bbox = NA,
  ...,
  convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
  no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
  chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_meta"),
  limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
  attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)
```

## Arguments

- monitoring\_location\_id** A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the id field in the monitoring-locations endpoint. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500). Multiple monitoring\_location\_ids can be requested as a character vector.
- parameter\_code** Parameter codes are 5-digit codes used to identify the constituent measured and the units of measure. A complete list of parameter codes and associated groupings can be found at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items>. Multiple parameter\_codes can be requested as a character vector.

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| properties      | A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: geometry, time_series_id, monitoring_location_id, parameter_code, statistic_id, time, value, unit_of_measure, approval_status, qualifier, last_modified. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| time_series_id  | A unique identifier representing a single time series. This corresponds to the id field in the time-series-metadata endpoint.<br>Multiple time_series_ids can be requested as a character vector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| approval_status | Some of the data that you have obtained from this U.S. Geological Survey database may not have received Director's approval. Any such data values are qualified as provisional and are subject to revision. Provisional data are released on the condition that neither the USGS nor the United States Government may be held liable for any damages resulting from its use. This field reflects the approval status of each record, and is either "Approved", meaning processing review has been completed and the data is approved for publication, or "Provisional" and subject to revision. For more information about provisional data, go to <a href="https://waterdata.usgs.gov/provisional-data-statement/">https://waterdata.usgs.gov/provisional-data-statement/</a> .                                                                                                                                  |
| unit_of_measure | A human-readable description of the units of measurement associated with an observation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| qualifier       | This field indicates any qualifiers associated with an observation, for instance if a sensor may have been impacted by ice or if values were estimated.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| value           | The value of the observation. Values are transmitted as strings in the JSON response format in order to preserve precision.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| last_modified   | The last time a record was refreshed in our database. This may happen due to regular operational processes and does not necessarily indicate anything about the measurement has changed. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a last_modified that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| skipGeometry    | This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| time            | The date an observation represents. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

- Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"
- Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours

Only features that have a time that intersects the value of datetime are selected. If a feature has multiple temporal properties, it is the decision of the server whether only a single temporal property is used to determine the extent or all relevant temporal properties.

See also Details below for more information.

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| bbox           | Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax). Another way to think of it is c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude). |
| ...            | Arguments that can be queried, but are not returned. These are used as alternatives to specifying specific monitoring_location_ids. See ?get_monitoring_location_arguments for available arguments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| convertType    | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| no_paging      | logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| chunk_size     | Number of monitoring_location_ids to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| limit          | numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.                                                                                                                                               |
| attach_request | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

## Details

You can also use a vector of length 2 for any time queries (such as time or last\_modified). The first value is the starting date (or datetime), the second value is the ending date (or datetime). NA's within the vector indicate a half-bound date. For example, time = c("2024-01-01", NA) will return all data starting at 2024-01-01. time = c(NA, "2024-01-01") will return all data from the beginning of the timeseries until 2024-01-01. By default, time is assumed UTC, although time zone attributes will be accommodated. As an example, setting time = as.POSIXct(c("2021-01-01 12:00:00", "2021-01-01 14:00:00"), tz = "America/New\_York") will request data that between noon and 2pm eastern time on 2021-01-01. All time values RETURNED from the service are UTC with the exception of daily data, which returns time values in local dates.

**See Also**[get\\_monitoring\\_location\\_arguments\(\)](#)**Examples**

```
site <- "USGS-451605097071701"
pcode <- "72019"
uv_data_sf <- read_waterdata_latest_continuous(monitored_location_id = site,
                                              parameter_code = pcode)

uv_data_trim <- read_waterdata_latest_continuous(monitored_location_id = site,
                                              parameter_code = pcode,
                                              properties = c("monitored_location_id",
                                                            "value",
                                                            "time"))

uv_data <- read_waterdata_latest_continuous(monitored_location_id = site,
                                           parameter_code = pcode,
                                           skipGeometry = TRUE)

uv_data_period <- read_waterdata_latest_continuous(monitored_location_id = site,
                                                  parameter_code = pcode,
                                                  time = "P7D")

multi_site <- read_waterdata_latest_continuous(monitored_location_id = c("USGS-451605097071701",
                                                                    "USGS-14181500"),
                                              parameter_code = c("00060", "72019"),
                                              skipGeometry = TRUE)

# Only return data that has been modified in last 7 days
multi_site2 <- read_waterdata_latest_continuous(monitored_location_id = c("USGS-451605097071701",
                                                                    "USGS-14181500"),
                                              parameter_code = c("00060", "72019"),
                                              last_modified = "P7D")

dane <- read_waterdata_latest_continuous(
  state_name = "Wisconsin",
  county_name = "Dane County",
  parameter_code = "00060",
  time = "P1D")
```

## Description

Daily data provide one data value to represent water conditions for the day. Throughout much of the history of the USGS, the primary water data available was daily data collected manually at the monitoring location once each day. With improved availability of computer storage and automated transmission of data, the daily data published today are generally a statistical summary or metric of the continuous data collected each day, such as the daily mean, minimum, or maximum value. Daily data are automatically calculated from the continuous data of the same parameter code and are described by parameter code and a statistic code. These data have also been referred to as “daily values” or “DV”.

## Usage

```
read_waterdata_latest_daily(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  parameter_code = NA_character_,
  statistic_id = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
  time_series_id = NA_character_,
  approval_status = NA_character_,
  unit_of_measure = NA_character_,
  qualifier = NA_character_,
  value = NA,
  last_modified = NA_character_,
  skipGeometry = NA,
  time = NA_character_,
  bbox = NA,
  ...,
  convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
  no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
  limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
  chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_meta"),
  attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)
```

## Arguments

- |                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| monitoring_location_id | A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the id field in the monitoring-locations endpoint. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500). Multiple monitoring_location_ids can be requested as a character vector. |
| parameter_code         | Parameter codes are 5-digit codes used to identify the constituent measured and the units of measure. A complete list of parameter codes and associated groupings can be found at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items</a> . Multiple parameter_codes can be requested as a character vector.                                     |

|                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| statistic_id    | <p>A code corresponding to the statistic an observation represents. Example codes include 00001 (max), 00002 (min), and 00003 (mean). A complete list of codes and their descriptions can be found at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/statistic-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/statistic-codes/items</a>.</p> <p>Multiple statistic_ids can be requested as a character vector.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| properties      | <p>A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: geometry, time_series_id, monitoring_location_id, parameter_code, statistic_id, time, value, unit_of_measure, approval_status, qualifier, last_modified. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| time_series_id  | <p>A unique identifier representing a single time series. This corresponds to the id field in the time-series-metadata endpoint.</p> <p>Multiple time_series_ids can be requested as a character vector.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| approval_status | <p>Some of the data that you have obtained from this U.S. Geological Survey database may not have received Director's approval. Any such data values are qualified as provisional and are subject to revision. Provisional data are released on the condition that neither the USGS nor the United States Government may be held liable for any damages resulting from its use. This field reflects the approval status of each record, and is either "Approved", meaning processing review has been completed and the data is approved for publication, or "Provisional" and subject to revision. For more information about provisional data, go to <a href="https://waterdata.usgs.gov/provisional-data-statement/">https://waterdata.usgs.gov/provisional-data-statement/</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                   |
| unit_of_measure | <p>A human-readable description of the units of measurement associated with an observation.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| qualifier       | <p>This field indicates any qualifiers associated with an observation, for instance if a sensor may have been impacted by ice or if values were estimated.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| value           | <p>The value of the observation. Values are transmitted as strings in the JSON response format in order to preserve precision.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| last_modified   | <p>The last time a record was refreshed in our database. This may happen due to regular operational processes and does not necessarily indicate anything about the measurement has changed. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a last_modified that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| skipGeometry    | <p>This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| time           | <p>The date an observation represents. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a time that intersects the value of datetime are selected. If a feature has multiple temporal properties, it is the decision of the server whether only a single temporal property is used to determine the extent or all relevant temporal properties.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| bbox           | <p>Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax). Another way to think of it is c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| ...            | <p>Arguments that can be queried, but are not returned. These are used as alternatives to specifying specific monitoring_location_ids. See ?get_monitoring_location_arguments for available arguments.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| convertType    | <p>logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| no_paging      | <p>logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| limit          | <p>numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| chunk_size     | <p>Number of monitoring_location_ids to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| attach_request | <p>logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

## Details

You can also use a vector of length 2 for any time queries (such as time or last\_modified). The first value is the starting date (or datetime), the second value is the ending date(or datetime). NA's within the vector indicate a half-bound date. For example, time = c("2024-01-01", NA) will return all

data starting at 2024-01-01. `time = c(NA, "2024-01-01")` will return all data from the beginning of the timeseries until 2024-01-01. By default, time is assumed UTC, although time zone attributes will be accommodated. As an example, setting `time = as.POSIXct(c("2021-01-01 12:00:00", "2021-01-01 14:00"), tz = "America/New_York")` will request data that between noon and 2pm eastern time on 2021-01-01. All time values RETURNED from the service are UTC with the exception of daily data, which returns time values in local dates.

### See Also

[get\\_monitoring\\_location\\_arguments\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
site <- "USGS-02238500"
pcode <- "00060"
dv_data_sf <- read_waterdata_latest_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
                                          parameter_code = pcode)

dv_data_last_modified <- read_waterdata_latest_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
                                                    parameter_code = pcode,
                                                    last_modified = "P7D")

dv_data_trim <- read_waterdata_latest_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
                                             parameter_code = pcode,
                                             properties = c("monitored_location_id",
                                                            "value",
                                                            "time"))

dv_data <- read_waterdata_latest_daily(monitored_location_id = site,
                                       parameter_code = pcode,
                                       skipGeometry = TRUE)

multi_site <- read_waterdata_latest_daily(monitored_location_id = c("USGS-01491000",
                                                                    "USGS-01645000"),
                                          parameter_code = c("00060", "00010"))

dane <- read_waterdata_latest_daily(
  state_name = "Wisconsin",
  county_name = "Dane County",
  parameter_code = "00060",
  time = "P7D")
```

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read\_waterdata\_latest\_field\_measurements

*Get Latest USGS Field Measurement Data*

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## Description

Field measurements are physically measured values collected during a visit to the monitoring location. Field measurements consist of measurements of gage height and discharge, and readings of groundwater levels, and are primarily used as calibration readings for the automated sensors collecting continuous data. They are collected at a low frequency, and delivery of the data in WDFN may be delayed due to data processing time.

## Usage

```
read_waterdata_latest_field_measurements(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  parameter_code = NA_character_,
  statistic_id = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
  time_series_id = NA_character_,
  approval_status = NA_character_,
  unit_of_measure = NA_character_,
  qualifier = NA_character_,
  value = NA,
  last_modified = NA_character_,
  skipGeometry = NA,
  time = NA_character_,
  bbox = NA,
  ...,
  convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
  no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
  limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
  chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_meta"),
  attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)
```

## Arguments

- |                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| monitoring_location_id | A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the id field in the monitoring-locations endpoint. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500). Multiple monitoring_location_ids can be requested as a character vector. |
| parameter_code         | Parameter codes are 5-digit codes used to identify the constituent measured and the units of measure. A complete list of parameter codes and associated groupings can be found at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items</a> . Multiple parameter_codes can be requested as a character vector.                                     |
| statistic_id           | Multiple statistic_ids can be requested as a character vector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| properties             | A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: geometry, field_measurements_series_id, field_visit_id, parameter_code,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

|                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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|                 | monitoring_location_id, observing_procedure_code, observing_procedure, value, unit_of_measure, time, qualifier, vertical_datum, approval_status, measuring_agency, last_modified, control_condition, measurement_rated, year, month, day, time_of_day. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| time_series_id  | Multiple time_series_ids can be requested as a character vector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| approval_status | Some of the data that you have obtained from this U.S. Geological Survey database may not have received Director's approval. Any such data values are qualified as provisional and are subject to revision. Provisional data are released on the condition that neither the USGS nor the United States Government may be held liable for any damages resulting from its use. This field reflects the approval status of each record, and is either "Approved", meaning processing review has been completed and the data is approved for publication, or "Provisional" and subject to revision. For more information about provisional data, go to <a href="https://waterdata.usgs.gov/provisional-data-statement/">https://waterdata.usgs.gov/provisional-data-statement/</a> .                                                                                                                                         |
| unit_of_measure | A human-readable description of the units of measurement associated with an observation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| qualifier       | This field indicates any qualifiers associated with an observation, for instance if a sensor may have been impacted by ice or if values were estimated.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| value           | The value of the observation. Values are transmitted as strings in the JSON response format in order to preserve precision.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| last_modified   | <p>The last time a record was refreshed in our database. This may happen due to regular operational processes and does not necessarily indicate anything about the measurement has changed. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a last_modified that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| skipGeometry    | This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| time            | <p>The date an observation represents. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

- Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours

Only features that have a time that intersects the value of datetime are selected. If a feature has multiple temporal properties, it is the decision of the server whether only a single temporal property is used to determine the extent or all relevant temporal properties.

See also Details below for more information.

|                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| bbox           | Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: <code>c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax)</code> . Another way to think of it is <code>c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude)</code> . |
| ...            | Arguments that can be queried, but are not returned. These are used as alternatives to specifying specific <code>monitoring_location_ids</code> . See <code>?get_monitoring_location_arguments</code> for available arguments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| convertType    | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| no_paging      | logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| limit          | numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.                                                                                                                                                                           |
| chunk_size     | Number of <code>monitoring_location_ids</code> to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| attach_request | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

## Details

You can also use a vector of length 2 for any time queries (such as `time` or `last_modified`). The first value is the starting date (or datetime), the second value is the ending date (or datetime). NA's within the vector indicate a half-bound date. For example, `time = c("2024-01-01", NA)` will return all data starting at 2024-01-01. `time = c(NA, "2024-01-01")` will return all data from the beginning of the timeseries until 2024-01-01. By default, time is assumed UTC, although time zone attributes will be accommodated. As an example, setting `time = as.POSIXct(c("2021-01-01 12:00:00", "2021-01-01 14:00:00"), tz = "America/New_York")` will request data that between noon and 2pm eastern time on 2021-01-01. All time values RETURNED from the service are UTC with the exception of daily data, which returns time values in local dates.

**See Also**`get_monitoring_location_arguments()`**Examples**

```
site <- "USGS-01435000"

field_data_sf <- read_waterdata_latest_field_measurements(monitored_location_id = site)

dv_data_trim <- read_waterdata_latest_field_measurements(monitored_location_id = site,
  properties = c("monitored_location_id",
    "value",
    "time"))

field_data <- read_waterdata_latest_field_measurements(monitored_location_id = site,
  skipGeometry = TRUE)

multi_site <- read_waterdata_latest_field_measurements(monitored_location_id = c("USGS-01435000",
  "USGS-14202650"))

dane <- read_waterdata_latest_field_measurements(
  state_name = "Wisconsin",
  county_name = "Dane County",
  time = "P30D")
```

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`read_waterdata_metadata`*Generalized USGS Water Meta Data API retrieval function*

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**Description**

Function to get metadata from Water Data API. These are useful to get the human readable words and other metadata associated with USGS codes.

**Usage**

```
read_waterdata_metadata(
  collection,
  ...,
  limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
  attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)
```

**Arguments**

|                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>collection</code>     | character, can be any existing collection such as "parameter-codes", "agency-codes", "altitude-datums", "aquifer-codes", "aquifer-types", "coordinate-accuracy-codes", "coordinate-datum-codes", "coordinate-method-codes", "hydrologic-unit-codes", "medium-codes", "national-aquifer-codes", "reliability-codes", "site-types", "statistic-codes", "topographic-codes", "time-zone-codes". |
| <code>...</code>            | Optional arguments to pass to the query. Available parameters can be found with the <code>get_ogc_params</code> function.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <code>limit</code>          | The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.                                                     |
| <code>attach_request</code> | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

**Examples**

```

agency_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("agency-codes")
altitude_datums <- read_waterdata_metadata("altitude-datums")
aquifer_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("aquifer-codes")
aquifer_types <- read_waterdata_metadata("aquifer-types")
counties <- read_waterdata_metadata("counties")
countries <- read_waterdata_metadata("countries")
us_counties <- read_waterdata_metadata("counties", country_code = "US")
coordinate_accuracy_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("coordinate-accuracy-codes")
coordinate_datum_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("coordinate-datum-codes")
coordinate_method_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("coordinate-method-codes")
huc_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("hydrologic-unit-codes")
methods <- read_waterdata_metadata("methods")
method_categories <- read_waterdata_metadata("method-categories")
method_citations <- read_waterdata_metadata("method-citations")
citations <- read_waterdata_metadata("citations")
national_aquifer_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("national-aquifer-codes")
parameter_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("parameter-codes")
reliability_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("reliability-codes")
site_types <- read_waterdata_metadata("site-types")
states <- read_waterdata_metadata("states")
us_states_territories <- read_waterdata_metadata("states", country_code = "US")
statistic_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("statistic-codes")
topographic_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("topographic-codes")
time_zone_codes <- read_waterdata_metadata("time-zone-codes")
time_zone_limited <- read_waterdata_metadata("time-zone-codes",
  time_zone_description = c("Alaska", "Hawaii", "Pacific North America"))

```

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read\_waterdata\_monitoring\_location

*Get USGS Monitoring Location Data*


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## Description

Location information is basic information about the monitoring location including the name, identifier, agency responsible for data collection, and the date the location was established. It also includes information about the type of location, such as stream, lake, or groundwater, and geographic information about the location, such as state, county, latitude and longitude, and hydrologic unit code (HUC).

## Usage

```
read_waterdata_monitoring_location(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  agency_code = NA_character_,
  agency_name = NA_character_,
  monitoring_location_number = NA_character_,
  monitoring_location_name = NA_character_,
  district_code = NA_character_,
  country_code = NA_character_,
  country_name = NA_character_,
  state_code = NA_character_,
  state_name = NA_character_,
  county_code = NA_character_,
  county_name = NA_character_,
  minor_civil_division_code = NA_character_,
  site_type_code = NA_character_,
  site_type = NA_character_,
  hydrologic_unit_code = NA_character_,
  basin_code = NA_character_,
  altitude = NA_character_,
  altitude_accuracy = NA_character_,
  altitude_method_code = NA_character_,
  altitude_method_name = NA_character_,
  vertical_datum = NA_character_,
  vertical_datum_name = NA_character_,
  horizontal_positional_accuracy_code = NA_character_,
  horizontal_positional_accuracy = NA_character_,
  horizontal_position_method_code = NA_character_,
  horizontal_position_method_name = NA_character_,
  original_horizontal_datum = NA_character_,
  original_horizontal_datum_name = NA_character_,
  drainage_area = NA_character_,
  contributing_drainage_area = NA_character_,
  time_zone_abbreviation = NA_character_,
```

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uses_daylight_savings = NA_character_,
construction_date = NA_character_,
aquifer_code = NA_character_,
national_aquifer_code = NA_character_,
aquifer_type_code = NA_character_,
well_constructed_depth = NA_character_,
hole_constructed_depth = NA_character_,
depth_source_code = NA_character_,
revision_note = NA_character_,
revision_created = NA_character_,
revision_modified = NA_character_,
properties = NA_character_,
q = NA_character_,
bbox = NA,
skipGeometry = NA,
...,
convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_meta"),
attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)

```

## Arguments

|                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| monitoring_location_id     | <p>A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the monitoring_location_id field in other endpoints. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500).</p> <p>Multiple monitoring_location_ids can be requested as a character vector.</p> |
| agency_code                | <p>The agency that is reporting the data. Agency codes are fixed values assigned by the National Water Information System (NWIS). A list of agency codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/agency-codes/items</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                  |
| agency_name                | <p>The name of the agency that is reporting the data.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| monitoring_location_number | <p>Each monitoring location in the USGS data base has a unique 8- to 15-digit identification number.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| monitoring_location_name   | <p>This is the official name of the monitoring location in the database. For well information this can be a district-assigned local number.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| district_code              | <p>The Water Science Centers (WSCs) across the United States use the FIPS state code as the district code. In some case, monitoring locations and samples may be managed by a water science center that is adjacent to the state in which the monitoring location actually resides. For example a monitoring location may have a district code of 30 which translates to Montana, but the state code could</p>                                                               |

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|                           | be 56 for Wyoming because that is where the monitoring location actually is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| country_code              | The code for the country in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| country_name              | The name of the country in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| state_code                | State code. A <b>two-digit ANSI code</b> (formerly FIPS code) as defined by the American National Standards Institute, to define States and equivalents. A three-digit ANSI code is used to define counties and county equivalents. <b>A lookup table is available.</b> The only countries with political subdivisions other than the US are Mexico and Canada. The Mexican states have US state codes ranging from 81-86 and Canadian provinces have state codes ranging from 90-98. |
| state_name                | The name of the state or state equivalent in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| county_code               | The code for the county or county equivalent (parish, borough, etc.) in which the monitoring location is located. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                             |
| county_name               | The name of the county or county equivalent (parish, borough, etc.) in which the monitoring location is located. [A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/counties/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                             |
| minor_civil_division_code | Codes for primary governmental or administrative divisions of the county or county equivalent in which the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| site_type_code            | A code describing the hydrologic setting of the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| site_type                 | A description of the hydrologic setting of the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/site-types/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| hydrologic_unit_code      | The hydrologic unit code (HUC) for the monitoring location. Supports prefix matching — querying with a shorter HUC (e.g. "04") matches all locations within that hydrologic region.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| basin_code                | The Basin Code or "drainage basin code" is a two-digit code that further subdivides the 8-digit hydrologic-unit code. The drainage basin code is defined by the USGS State Office where the monitoring location is located.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| altitude                  | Altitude of the monitoring location referenced to the specified Vertical Datum.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| altitude_accuracy         | Accuracy of the altitude, in feet. An accuracy of +/- 0.1 foot would be entered as ".1". Many altitudes are interpolated from the contours on topographic maps; accuracies determined in this way are generally entered as one-half of the contour interval.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| altitude_method_code      | Codes representing the method used to measure altitude.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| altitude_method_name      | The name of the method used to measure altitude.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| <code>vertical_datum</code>                      | The datum used to determine altitude and vertical position at the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <code>vertical_datum_name</code>                 | The datum used to determine altitude and vertical position at the monitoring location. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/altitude-datums/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <code>horizontal_positional_accuracy_code</code> | Indicates the accuracy of the latitude longitude values. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-accuracy-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-accuracy-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <code>horizontal_positional_accuracy</code>      | Indicates the accuracy of the latitude longitude values. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-accuracy-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-accuracy-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <code>horizontal_position_method_code</code>     | Indicates the method used to determine latitude longitude values. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <code>horizontal_position_method_name</code>     | Indicates the method used to determine latitude longitude values. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-method-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <code>original_horizontal_datum</code>           | Coordinates are published in EPSG:4326 / WGS84 / World Geodetic System 1984. This field indicates the original datum used to determine coordinates before they were converted. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                     |
| <code>original_horizontal_datum_name</code>      | Coordinates are published in EPSG:4326 / WGS84 / World Geodetic System 1984. This field indicates the original datum used to determine coordinates before they were converted. A list of codes is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/coordinate-datum-codes/items</a> .                                                                                                                     |
| <code>drainage_area</code>                       | The area enclosed by a topographic divide from which direct surface runoff from precipitation normally drains by gravity into the stream above that point.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <code>contributing_drainage_area</code>          | The contributing drainage area of a lake, stream, wetland, or estuary monitoring location, in square miles. This item should be present only if the contributing area is different from the total drainage area. This situation can occur when part of the drainage area consists of very porous soil or depressions that either allow all runoff to enter the groundwater or traps the water in ponds so that rainfall does not contribute to runoff. A transbasin diversion can also affect the total drainage area. |
| <code>time_zone_abbreviation</code>              | A short code describing the time zone used by a monitoring location.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <code>uses_daylight_savings</code>               | A flag indicating whether or not a monitoring location uses daylight savings.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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| construction_date      | Date the well was completed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| aquifer_code           | Local aquifers in the USGS water resources data base are identified by a geohydrologic unit code (a three-digit number related to the age of the formation, followed by a 4 or 5 character abbreviation for the geologic unit or aquifer name).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| national_aquifer_code  | National aquifers are the principal aquifers or aquifer systems in the United States, defined as regionally extensive aquifers or aquifer systems that have the potential to be used as a source of potable water. Not all groundwater monitoring locations can be associated with a National Aquifer. Such monitoring locations will not be retrieved using this search criteria. A list of National aquifer codes and names is available at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/national-aquifer-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/national-aquifer-codes/items</a> .                                          |
| aquifer_type_code      | Describes the confinement status of an aquifer at the monitoring location. A confined aquifer is an aquifer below the land surface that is saturated with water. A water table—or unconfined—aquifer is an aquifer whose upper water surface (water table) is at atmospheric pressure, and thus is able to rise and fall.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| well_constructed_depth | The depth of the finished well, in feet below land surface datum. Note: Not all groundwater monitoring locations have information on Well Depth. Such monitoring locations will not be retrieved using this search criteria.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| hole_constructed_depth | The total depth to which the hole is drilled, in feet below land surface datum. Note: Not all groundwater monitoring locations have information on Hole Depth. Such monitoring locations will not be retrieved using this search criteria.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| depth_source_code      | A code indicating the source of water-level data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| revision_note          | Approved water data are considered published record, but on occasion changes or deletions (revisions) must be made to data after they are approved. Data revisions are rare because of USGS quality assurance practices, including documentation of all data before they are officially approved. This field contains text explanations for data revisions at this monitoring location. Changes to data also are indicated with revision qualifier codes alongside the data. Text explanations before 2017 are not necessarily available online, but can be requested.                                                                                                     |
| revision_created       | The date a revision statement was created.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| revision_modified      | The most recent date a revision statement was modified.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| properties             | A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: geometry, monitoring_location_id, agency_code, agency_name, monitoring_location_number, monitoring_location_name, district_code, country_code, country_name, state_code, state_name, county_code, county_name, minor_civil_division_code, site_type_code, site_type, hydrologic_unit_code, basin_code, altitude, altitude_accuracy, altitude_method_code, altitude_method_name, vertical_datum, vertical_datum_name, horizontal_positional_accuracy_code, horizontal_positional_accuracy, horizontal_position_method_code, horizontal_position_method_name, original_horizontal_datum, |

original\_horizontal\_datum\_name, drainage\_area, contributing\_drainage\_area, time\_zone\_abbreviation, uses\_daylight\_savings, construction\_date, aquifer\_code, national\_aquifer\_code, aquifer\_type\_code, well\_constructed\_depth, hole\_constructed\_depth, depth\_source\_code, revision\_note, revision\_created, revision\_modified. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.

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| q              | <p>Full-text search across the most relevant text fields for this collection (e.g. site name, identifier, number, state, county, and site type). Matching rules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Case-insensitive, with prefix matching (e.g. poud matches POUDRE).</li> <li>• Words separated by spaces are AND'd together (all must match).</li> <li>• Terms separated by commas are OR'd together (any may match).</li> <li>• Common abbreviations are expanded, so river also matches sites stored as RV (and vice versa). Examples are: q=poudre - sites whose name/identifier starts with or contains poudre q=colorado river - sites matching both colorado and river/rv q=poudre,cache creek - sites matching poudre OR (cache AND creek/ck)</li> </ul> |
| bbox           | <p>Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax). Another way to think of it is c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| skipGeometry   | <p>This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| ...            | <p>Not used. Included to help differentiate official Water Data API arguments from more seldom used, optional dataRetrieval-specific arguments.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| convertType    | <p>logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| limit          | <p>numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| no_paging      | <p>logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| chunk_size     | <p>Number of monitoring_location_ids to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| attach_request | <p>logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

## Examples

```

site <- "USGS-02238500"
site_info <- read_waterdata_monitoring_location(monitoring_location_id = site)

site_slim <- read_waterdata_monitoring_location(
  monitoring_location_id = c("USGS-05114000",
                             "USGS-09423350"),
  properties = c("monitoring_location_id",
                 "state_name",
                 "county_name",
                 "country_name"))

site_slim_no_sf_slim <- read_waterdata_monitoring_location(state_name = "Wisconsin",
  properties = c("monitoring_location_id",
                 "state_name",
                 "county_name",
                 "country_name",
                 "site_type"),
  site_type = "Well",
  skipGeometry = TRUE)

site_info_no_sf <- read_waterdata_monitoring_location(
  monitoring_location_id = site_slim_no_sf_slim$monitoring_location_id[1:1000],
  skipGeometry = TRUE)

bbox_vals = c(-94.00, 35.0, -93.5, 35.5)
multi_site <- read_waterdata_monitoring_location(bbox = bbox_vals)

poudre <- read_waterdata_monitoring_location(q = "poudre")

```

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read\_waterdata\_parameter\_codes

*Get USGS Parameter Code Information*


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## Description

Parameter codes are 5-digit codes and associated descriptions used to identify the constituent measured and the units of measure. Some parameter code definitions include information about the sampling matrix, fraction, and methods used to measure the constituent. Some parameters are fixed-value (fxd) numeric codes having textual meaning (for example: parameter code 00041 is a weather code parameter, code of 60 means rain), but more commonly represent a numeric value for chemical, physical, or biological data.

**Usage**

```
read_waterdata_parameter_codes(
  parameter_code = NA_character_,
  parameter_name = NA_character_,
  unit_of_measure = NA_character_,
  parameter_group_code = NA_character_,
  parameter_description = NA_character_,
  medium = NA_character_,
  statistical_basis = NA_character_,
  weight_basis = NA_character_,
  sample_fraction = NA_character_,
  temperature_basis = NA_character_,
  epa_equivalence = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
  ...,
  limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
  attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)
```

**Arguments**

|                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| <code>parameter_code</code>        | Parameter code.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <code>parameter_name</code>        | Parameter short name.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <code>unit_of_measure</code>       | Parameter reporting units defined to cooperate with descriptions by USEPA.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <code>parameter_group_code</code>  | Categorical groupings of parameters by water-quality data type for display and report ordering                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <code>parameter_description</code> | Parameter description.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <code>medium</code>                | Parameter medium.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <code>statistical_basis</code>     | Parameter statistical basis.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <code>weight_basis</code>          | Parameter weight basis.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <code>sample_fraction</code>       | Parameter fraction.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <code>temperature_basis</code>     | Parameter temperature basis.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <code>epa_equivalence</code>       | Indicates the relationship of the USGS parameter code to the EPA code.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <code>properties</code>            | A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: <code>geometry</code> , <code>parameter_code_id</code> , <code>parameter_name</code> , <code>unit_of_measure</code> , <code>parameter_group_code</code> , <code>parameter_description</code> , <code>medium</code> , <code>statistical_basis</code> , <code>time_basis</code> , <code>weight_basis</code> , <code>particle_size_basis</code> , <code>sample_fraction</code> , <code>temperature_basis</code> , <code>epa_equivalence</code> . The default (NA) will return all columns of the data. |

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| ...            | Not used. Included to help differentiate official Water Data API arguments from more seldom used, optional dataRetrieval-specific arguments.                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| limit          | The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service. |
| attach_request | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

## Examples

```
pcode <- "00060"
pcode_info <- read_waterdata_parameter_codes(parameter_code = pcode)

pcodes <- read_waterdata_parameter_codes(parameter_code = c("00660", "00060"))

# equivalent to read_waterdata_metadata("parameter-codes")
all_pcodes <- read_waterdata_parameter_codes()

total_nutrients <- read_waterdata_parameter_codes(parameter_group_code = "NUT",
                                                    sample_fraction = "Total")

group_of_nutrients <- read_waterdata_parameter_codes(parameter_group_code = "NUT",
                                                    unit_of_measure = c("mg/l",
                                                                    "mg/l as N", "mg/l NO3",
                                                                    "mg/l asNO2"))
```

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read\_waterdata\_peaks    *Get USGS Peak Data*

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## Description

Annual peak flow values are the maximum instantaneous streamflow values recorded at a particular site for the entire water year from October 1 to September 30. Note that the annual peak flow value may not occur at the same time the maximum water level occurs due to conditions such as backwater, tidal fluctuations, etc.

## Usage

```
read_waterdata_peaks(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  parameter_code = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
```

```

time_series_id = NA_character_,
unit_of_measure = NA_character_,
value = NA,
last_modified = NA_character_,
water_year = NA_character_,
year = NA_character_,
month = NA_character_,
day = NA_character_,
time_of_day = NA_character_,
peak_since = NA_character_,
qualifier = NA_character_,
skipGeometry = NA,
time = NA_character_,
bbox = NA,
...,
allow_incomplete_dates = FALSE,
convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_meta"),
limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)

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## Arguments

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| monitoring_location_id | <p>A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the id field in the monitoring-locations endpoint. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500).</p> <p>Multiple monitoring_location_ids can be requested as a character vector.</p> |
| parameter_code         | <p>Parameter codes are 5-digit codes used to identify the constituent measured and the units of measure. A complete list of parameter codes and associated groupings can be found at <a href="https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items">https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items</a>.</p> <p>Multiple parameter_codes can be requested as a character vector.</p>                                      |
| properties             | <p>A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: geometry, time_series_id, monitoring_location_id, parameter_code, unit_of_measure, value, last_modified, time, water_year, year, month, day, time_of_day, peak_since, qualifier. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.</p>                                                                                                                                          |
| time_series_id         | <p>A unique identifier representing a single time series. This corresponds to the id field in the time-series-metadata endpoint.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| unit_of_measure        | <p>A human-readable description of the units of measurement associated with an observation.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| value                  | <p>The value of the observation. Values are transmitted as strings in the JSON response format in order to preserve precision.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| last_modified | <p>The last time a record was refreshed in our database. This may happen due to regular operational processes and does not necessarily indicate anything about the measurement has changed. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a last_modified that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p>                                |
| water_year    | The water year (running from October 1st to September 30th) a peak occurred.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| year          | The calendar year a peak occurred.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| month         | The calendar month a peak occurred. If null, the month a peak occurred is unknown.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| day           | The day of the month a peak occurred. If null, the day a peak occurred is unknown.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| time_of_day   | The time of day a peak occurred. If null, the time of day a peak occurred is unknown.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| peak_since    | If not null, this record represents the peak value for the parameter code since the year contained in "peak_since".                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| qualifier     | This field indicates any qualifiers associated with an observation, for instance if a sensor may have been impacted by ice or if values were estimated.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| skipGeometry  | This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| time          | <p>The date an observation represents. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a time that intersects the value of datetime are selected. If a feature has multiple temporal properties, it is the decision of the server whether only a single temporal property is used to determine the extent or all relevant temporal properties.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |

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| bbox                   | Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: <code>c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax)</code> . Another way to think of it is <code>c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude)</code> .                        |
| ...                    | Arguments that can be queried, but are not returned. These are used as alternatives to specifying specific <code>monitoring_location_ids</code> . See <code>?get_monitoring_location_arguments</code> for available arguments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| allow_incomplete_dates | Specifically in the peaks data, exact peak dates are not always known. Sometimes peaks are known just for the year, sometimes they are known to the year and month, and sometimes to the exact date. This argument determines if incomplete dates + uncertain month/day values are allowed in the "time" column so that it can be a complete Date object (TRUE), or whether to set those dates to NA (FALSE). Peaks with uncertain days are stored on the first of the month, and those with uncertain month stored on January 1. Default is FALSE. |
| convertType            | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, any qualifiers to string vector and reorder the returned data frame.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| no_paging              | logical, defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, the data will be requested from a native csv format. This can be dangerous because the data will cut off at 50,000 rows without indication that more data is available. Use TRUE with caution.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| chunk_size             | Number of <code>monitoring_location_ids</code> to chunk requests into. The default for functions that don't generally return long-term data records is 250, while the default for time series functions is 10. Setting to NA will eliminate site chunking, giving users full control.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| limit                  | numeric, The optional limit parameter is used to control the subset of the selected features that should be returned in each page. The maximum allowable limit is 50,000. It may be beneficial to set this number lower if your internet connection is spotty. The default (NA) will set the limit to the maximum allowable limit for the service.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| attach_request         | logical, defaults to TRUE. If set to TRUE, the full request sent to the Water Data API is attached as an attribute to the data set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

## Details

You can also use a vector of length 2 for any time queries (such as `time` or `last_modified`). The first value is the starting date (or datetime), the second value is the ending date (or datetime). NA's within the vector indicate a half-bound date. For example, `time = c("2024-01-01", NA)` will return all data starting at 2024-01-01. `time = c(NA, "2024-01-01")` will return all data from the beginning of the timeseries until 2024-01-01. By default, time is assumed UTC, although time zone attributes will be accommodated. As an example, setting `time = as.POSIXct(c("2021-01-01 12:00:00", "2021-01-01 14:00:00"), tz = "America/New_York")` will request data that between noon and 2pm eastern time on 2021-01-01. All time values RETURNED from the service are UTC with the exception of daily data, which returns time values in local dates.

**See Also**[get\\_monitoring\\_location\\_arguments\(\)](#)**Examples**

```
wi_peaks <- read_waterdata_combined_meta(
  state_name = "Wisconsin",
  data_type = "Peaks",
  parameter_code = "00060")

dv_data_sf <- read_waterdata_peaks(
  monitoring_location_id = wi_peaks$monitoring_location_id[1],
  parameter_code = "00060")

dane <- read_waterdata_peaks(
  state_name = "Wisconsin",
  county_name = "Dane County",
  parameter_code = "00060")

incomplete_dates_not_allowed <- read_waterdata_peaks(
  monitoring_location_id = "USGS-06334330",
  parameter_code = "00060")
incomplete_dates_not_allowed$time
incomplete_dates_allowed <- read_waterdata_peaks(
  monitoring_location_id = "USGS-06334330",
  parameter_code = "00060",
  allow_incomplete_dates = TRUE)
incomplete_dates_allowed$time
```

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`read_waterdata_ratings`*Get USGS Rating Curve Data*

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**Description**

Reads current rating table for an active USGS streamgages. More information can be found at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/docs/stac/>.

**Usage**

```
read_waterdata_ratings(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  file_type = c("exsa", "base", "corr"),
```

```

file_path = tempdir(),
bbox = NA,
datetime = NA_character_,
...,
limit = 10000,
download_and_parse = TRUE
)

```

## Arguments

|                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| monitoring_location_id | A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| file_type              | Rating file time. Could be any of "exsa", "corr", or "base". If file_type is "base" then the columns are INDEP, typically the gage height, in feet; DEP, typically the streamflow, in cubic feet per second; and STOR, where "*" indicates that the pair are a fixed point of the rating curve. If file_type is "exsa" then an additional column, SHIFT, is included that indicates the current shift in the rating for that value of INDEP. If file_type is "corr" then the columns are INDEP, typically the gage height, in feet; CORR, the correction for that value; and CORRINDEP, the corrected value for CORR. |
| file_path              | Path to save the rating curve rdb files. The default is tempdir(), which will wipe out the files.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| bbox                   | Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax). Another way to think of it is c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude).                                                                                                                      |
| datetime               | Only return items that have a temporal property that intersects this value. Either a date-time or an interval, open or closed. See Details below.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| ...                    | Not used.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| limit                  | Limits the number of results that are included in each page of the response (capped at the default 10,000).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| download_and_parse     | Logical to define whether or not to download, parse, and return a list of data frames with rating curve data (TRUE), or to return just a list of available rating curve files (FALSE). Default is TRUE.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

## Details

You can also use a vector of length 2 for any time queries (such as time or last\_modified). The first value is the starting date (or datetime), the second value is the ending date (or datetime). NA's within the vector indicate a half-bound date. For example, `time = c("2024-01-01", NA)` will return all

data starting at 2024-01-01. `time = c(NA, "2024-01-01")` will return all data from the beginning of the timeseries until 2024-01-01. By default, time is assumed UTC, although time zone attributes will be accommodated. As an example, setting `time = as.POSIXct(c("2021-01-01 12:00:00", "2021-01-01 14:00:00"), tz = "America/New_York")` will request data that between noon and 2pm eastern time on 2021-01-01. All time values RETURNED from the service are UTC with the exception of daily data, which returns time values in local dates.

## Value

List of named lists, one per requested rating file. Each element contains:

**ratings** Data frame of the rating curve.

**metadata** Data frame of header/value pairs parsed from the comment attribute of the ratings file.

## Examples

[illegible]

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read\_waterdata\_samples

*USGS Samples Data*


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## Description

This function creates the call and gets the data for discrete water quality samples data service described at <https://waterdata.usgs.gov/download-samples/>.

## Usage

```
read_waterdata_samples(
  monitoringLocationIdentifier = NA,
  siteTypeCode = NA,
  boundingBox = NA,
  hydrologicUnit = NA,
  activityMediaName = NA,
  characteristicGroup = NA,
  characteristic = NA,
  characteristicUserSupplied = NA,
  activityStartDateLower = NA,
  activityStartDateUpper = NA,
  countryFips = NA,
  stateFips = NA,
  countyFips = NA,
  projectIdentifier = NA,
  recordIdentifierUserSupplied = NA,
  siteTypeName = NA,
  usgsPCode = NA,
  pointLocationLatitude = NA,
  pointLocationLongitude = NA,
  pointLocationWithinMiles = NA,
  dataType = "results",
  dataProfile = NA,
  tz = "UTC",
  convertType = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

monitoringLocationIdentifier

A monitoring location identifier has two parts: the agency code and the location number, separated by a dash (-). Location identifiers should be separated with commas, for example: AZ014-320821110580701, CAX01-15304600, USGS-040851385. Location numbers without an agency prefix are assumed to have the prefix USGS.

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| siteTypeCode               | Site type code query parameter. See available options by running <code>check_waterdata_sample_params("s</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| boundingBox                | North and South are latitude values; East and West are longitude values. A vector of 4 (west, south, east, north) is expected. An example would be: <code>c(-92.8, 44.2, -88.9, 46.0)</code> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| hydrologicUnit             | Hydrologic Unit Codes (HUCs) identify physical areas within the US that drain to a certain portion of the stream network. This filter accepts values containing 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 or 12 digits.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| activityMediaName          | Sample media refers to the environmental medium that was sampled or analyzed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| characteristicGroup        | Characteristic group is a broad category describing the sample. See available options by running <code>check_waterdata_sample_params("characteristicgroup")\$characteristicGrou</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| characteristic             | Characteristic is a specific category describing the sample. See available options by running <code>check_waterdata_sample_params("characteristics")\$characteristicName</code> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| characteristicUserSupplied | Observed property is the USGS term for the constituent sampled and the property name gives a detailed description of what was sampled. Observed property is mapped to <code>characteristicUserSupplied</code> and replaces the parameter name and pcode USGS previously used to describe discrete sample data. Find more information in the Observed Properties and Parameter Codes section of the Code Dictionary found here: <a href="https://waterdata.usgs.gov/code-dictionary/">https://waterdata.usgs.gov/code-dictionary/</a> . |
| activityStartDateLower     | The service will return records with dates earlier than the value entered for <code>activityStartDateUpper</code> . Can be an R Date object, or a string with format YYYY-MM-DD. The logic is inclusive, i.e. it will also return records that match the date.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| activityStartDateUpper     | The service will return records with dates later than the value entered for <code>activityStartDateLower</code> . Can be an R Date object, or a string with format YYYY-MM-DD. The logic is inclusive, i.e. it will also return records that match the date.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| countryFips                | Country query parameter. Do not set redundant parameters. If another query parameter contains the country information, leave this parameter set to the default NA. See available options by running <code>check_waterdata_sample_params("countries")</code> , where the "id" field contains the value to use in the <code>countryFips</code> input.                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| stateFips                  | State query parameter. To get a list of available state fips, run <code>check_waterdata_sample_params("state</code><br>The "fips" can be created using the function <code>stateCdLookup</code> - for example: <code>stateCdLookup("WI", "fips")</code> . FIPs codes for states take the format: CountryAbbrev:StateNumber, like US:55 for Wisconsin.                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| countyFips                 | County query parameter. To get a list of available counties, run <code>check_waterdata_sample_params("cou</code><br>The "Fips" can be created using the function <code>countyCdLookup</code> - for example: <code>countyCdLookup("WI", "Dane", "fips")</code> for Dane County, WI. FIPs codes for counties take the format: CountryAbbrev:StateNumber:CountyNumber, like US:55:025 for Dane County, WI.                                                                                                                                |

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| projectIdentifier            | Project identifier query parameter. This information would be needed from prior project information.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| recordIdentifierUserSupplied | Record identifier, user supplied identifier. This information would be needed from the data supplier.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| siteTypeName                 | Site type name query parameter. See available options by running <code>check_waterdata_sample_params("s</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| usgsPCode                    | USGS parameter code. See available options by running <code>check_waterdata_sample_params("character</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| pointLocationLatitude        | Latitude for a point/radius query (decimal degrees). Must be used with <code>pointLocationLongitude</code> and <code>pointLocationWithinMiles</code> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| pointLocationLongitude       | Longitude for a point/radius query (decimal degrees). Must be used with <code>pointLocationLatitude</code> and <code>pointLocationWithinMiles</code> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| pointLocationWithinMiles     | Radius for a point/radius query. Must be used with <code>pointLocationLatitude</code> and <code>pointLocationLongitude</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| dataType                     | Options include: "Results", "Monitoring locations", "Activities", "Projects", and "Organizations".                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| dataProfile                  | Profile depends on type. Options for "results" dataType are: "fullphyschem", "basicphyschem", "fullbio", "basicbio", "narrow", "resultdetectionquantitation-limit", "labsampleprep", "count". Options for "locations" are: "site" and "count". Options for "activities" are "sampact", "actmetric", "actgroup", and "count". Options for "projects" are: "project" and "projectmonitoringlocationweight". Options for "organizations" are: "organization" and "count". |
| tz                           | character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default is UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided <code>tz_cd</code> column). Possible values include "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla"                                                            |
| convertType                  | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

## Examples

```
ph_data <- read_waterdata_samples(
  monitoringLocationIdentifier = "USGS-04074950",
  characteristicUserSupplied = "pH, water, unfiltered, field",
  activityStartDateUpper = "2000-01-01",
  dataProfile = "narrow")

nameToUse <- "pH"
pHData <- read_waterdata_samples(monitoringLocationIdentifier = "USGS-04024315",
  characteristic = nameToUse)
```

```
ncol(pHData)
attr(pHData, "url")
attr(pHData, "queryTime")

summary_data <- read_waterdata_samples(monitoredLocationIdentifier = "USGS-04024315",
                                       dataType = "projects")
```

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read\_waterdata\_stats\_por

*Get USGS daily data statistics*


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## Description

This service provides endpoints for access to computations on the historical record regarding water conditions. For more information regarding the calculation of statistics and other details, please visit the [Statistics documentation page](#).

Note: The /statistics API is under active beta development and subject to change. Improved handling of significant figures will be addressed in a future release.

read\_waterdata\_stats\_por Returns day-of-year and month-of-year statistics matching your query.

read\_waterdata\_stats\_daterange Returns monthly and annual statistics matching your query.

## Usage

```
read_waterdata_stats_por(
  approval_status = NA,
  computation_type = NA_character_,
  country_code = NA_character_,
  state_code = NA_character_,
  county_code = NA_character_,
  start_date = NA_character_,
  end_date = NA_character_,
  normal_type = NA_character_,
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  parent_time_series_id = NA_character_,
  site_type_code = NA_character_,
  site_type_name = NA_character_,
  parameter_code = NA_character_,
  page_size = NA
)
```

```
read_waterdata_stats_daterange(
  approval_status = NA,
  computation_type = NA_character_,
  country_code = NA_character_,
```

```

state_code = NA_character_,
county_code = NA_character_,
start_date = NA_character_,
end_date = NA_character_,
interval_type = NA_character_,
monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
parent_time_series_id = NA_character_,
site_type_code = NA_character_,
site_type_name = NA_character_,
parameter_code = NA_character_,
page_size = NA
)

```

## Arguments

|                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| approval_status        | Whether to include approved and/or provisional observations. At this time, only approved observations are returned.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| computation_type       | Desired statistical computation method. Available values: "arithmetic_mean", "maximum", "median", "minimum", "percentile".                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| country_code           | Country Query Parameter. Accepts multiple values (see examples). If one of country, county, or state code is supplied then the other two arguments do not need to be specified.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| state_code             | State Query Parameter. Accepts multiple values in a character vector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| county_code            | County Query Parameter. Accepts multiple values in a character vector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| start_date             | Start Date Query Parameter. The logic is inclusive i.e., it will also return records that match the date. If an end date is supplied, but no start date is supplied, then statistics will be supplied for the entire period of record ending with the end date. If an end date is not supplied, but a start date is supplied then statistics will be supplied for the period of record following the start date. If no start or end date are supplied then statistics will be supplied for the entire period of record. |
| end_date               | End Date Query Parameter. The logic is inclusive i.e., it will also return records that match the date.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| normal_type            | Normal Type Query Parameter. If unspecified, all matching data will be returned. Otherwise, it will filter the results to one of the following normals: day-of-year, month-of-year. Available values: "DOY", "MOY".                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| monitoring_location_id | Each monitoring location has been assigned a unique station number that places them in downstream order. Accepts multiple values in a character vector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| parent_time_series_id  | The parent_time_series_id returns statistics tied to a particular database entry. Accepts multiple values in a character vector. If no parent time series identifier is supplied, then all records matching the rest of the provided criteria will be returned.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| site_type_code | Site Type Code Query Parameter. Accepts multiple values in a character vector. If no Site Type code is specified, statistics of all site types with the matching Monitoring Location Identifier will be returned.                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| site_type_name | Site Type Name Query Parameter. If no Site Type name is specified, statistics of all site types with the matching Monitoring Location Identifier will be returned.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| parameter_code | USGS Parameter Code Query Parameter. Accepts multiple values in a character vector. If no USGS parameter code is specified, but a Monitoring Location Identifier is supplied, then all statistics and their parameter codes with a matching monitoring location identifier will be returned. All statistics within the period of record will be returned if no parameter code or monitoring location identifier are specified. |
| page_size      | Return a defined number of results (default: 1000).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| interval_type  | Interval Type Query Parameter. If unspecified, all matching data will be returned. Otherwise, it will filter the results to one or more of the following intervals: month, calendar year, water year. Available values: "M", "CY", "WY".                                                                                                                                                                                       |

**See Also**

<https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/statistics/v0/docs>

**Examples**

```
# All day-of-year and month-of-year statistics for two sites
x1 <- read_waterdata_stats_por(
  monitoring_location_id = c("USGS-02319394", "USGS-02171500")
)

# Request only month-of-year statistics using normal_type arg
x1 <- read_waterdata_stats_por(
  monitoring_location_id = c("USGS-02319394", "USGS-02171500"),
  normal_type = "MOY"
)

# Request temperature percentiles for specific month-day range
# Returns:
# - Day-of-year temperature percentiles for each day between June 1 through June 15.
# - Month-of-year percentiles for June, computed using
#   all June data (not just June 1 through June 15).
# Note: the month-of-year percentiles are returned only when the month-day range includes
# the beginning of the month (e.g., "06-01")
x2 <- read_waterdata_stats_por(
  monitoring_location_id = c("USGS-02319394", "USGS-02171500"),
  parameter_code = "00010",
  start_date = "06-01", end_date = "06-15",
  computation_type = "percentile"
)

# All calendar month, calendar year, and water year statistics for two sites
```

```

x3 <- read_waterdata_stats_daterange(
  monitoring_location_id = c("USGS-02319394", "USGS-02171500")
)

# Request only calendar year statistics
x3 <- read_waterdata_stats_daterange(
  monitoring_location_id = c("USGS-02319394", "USGS-02171500"),
  interval_type = "CY"
)

# Request specific gage height and discharge summaries for a limited date range
# Returns:
# - calendar month summaries for each month between January, 2010 through December, 2011
# - calendar year summaries for 2010 and 2011
# - water year summaries for WY2010, WY2011, and WY2012
x4 <- read_waterdata_stats_daterange(
  monitoring_location_id = c("USGS-02319394", "USGS-02171500"),
  parameter_code = c("00065", "00060"),
  start_date = "2010-01-01", end_date = "2011-12-31",
  computation_type = c("minimum", "median", "maximum")
)

```

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read\_waterdata\_ts\_meta

*Get USGS Time Series Metadata*


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## Description

Daily data and continuous measurements are grouped into time series, which represent a collection of observations of a single parameter, potentially aggregated using a standard statistic, at a single monitoring location. This endpoint provides metadata about those time series, including their operational thresholds, units of measurement, and when the earliest and most recent observations in a time series occurred.

## Usage

```

read_waterdata_ts_meta(
  monitoring_location_id = NA_character_,
  parameter_code = NA_character_,
  parameter_name = NA_character_,
  properties = NA_character_,
  statistic_id = NA_character_,
  last_modified = NA_character_,
  begin_utc = NA_character_,
  end_utc = NA_character_,
  hydrologic_unit_code = NA_character_,

```

```

state_name = NA_character_,
unit_of_measure = NA_character_,
computation_period_identifier = NA_character_,
computation_identifier = NA_character_,
thresholds = NA,
sublocation_identifier = NA_character_,
primary = NA_character_,
parent_time_series_id = NA_character_,
time_series_id = NA_character_,
web_description = NA_character_,
skipGeometry = NA,
bbox = NA,
begin = NA_character_,
end = NA_character_,
...,
limit = getOption("dataRetrieval.limit"),
convertType = getOption("dataRetrieval.convertType"),
no_paging = getOption("dataRetrieval.no_paging"),
chunk_size = getOption("dataRetrieval.site_chunk_size_meta"),
attach_request = getOption("dataRetrieval.attach_request")
)

```

## Arguments

- monitoring\_location\_id** A unique identifier representing a single monitoring location. This corresponds to the id field in the monitoring-locations endpoint. Monitoring location IDs are created by combining the agency code of the agency responsible for the monitoring location (e.g. USGS) with the ID number of the monitoring location (e.g. 02238500), separated by a hyphen (e.g. USGS-02238500). Multiple monitoring\_location\_ids can be requested as a character vector.
- parameter\_code** Parameter codes are 5-digit codes used to identify the constituent measured and the units of measure. A complete list of parameter codes and associated groupings can be found at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/parameter-codes/items>. Multiple parameter\_codes can be requested as a character vector.
- parameter\_name** A human-understandable name corresponding to parameter\_code.
- properties** A vector of requested columns to be returned from the query. Available options are: geometry, time\_series\_id, unit\_of\_measure, parameter\_name, parameter\_code, statistic\_id, last\_modified, begin, end, computation\_period\_identifier, computation\_identifier, thresholds, sublocation\_identifier, primary, monitoring\_location\_id, web\_description, parameter\_description, parent\_time\_series\_id, data\_gap\_interval. The default (NA) will return all columns of the data.
- statistic\_id** A code corresponding to the statistic an observation represents. Example codes include 00001 (max), 00002 (min), and 00003 (mean). A complete list of codes and their descriptions can be found at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/ogcapi/v0/collections/statistic-codes/items>. Multiple statistic\_ids can be requested as a character vector.

|                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| last_modified                 | <p>The last time a record was refreshed in our database. This may happen due to regular operational processes and does not necessarily indicate anything about the measurement has changed. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a last_modified that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p> <p>See also Details below for more information.</p> |
| begin_utc                     | Deprecated in v1. Use "begin" instead.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| end_utc                       | Deprecated in v1. Use "end" instead.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| hydrologic_unit_code          | Deprecated in v1. Use read_waterdata_combined_meta for similar functionality.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| state_name                    | Deprecated in v1. Use read_waterdata_combined_meta for similar functionality.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| unit_of_measure               | A human-readable description of the units of measurement associated with an observation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| computation_period_identifier | Indicates the period of data used for any statistical computations. Multiple computation_period_identifiers can be requested as a character vector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| computation_identifier        | Indicates the computation performed to calculate this time series. Values of "Instantaneous" reflect point measurements. Multiple computation_identifiers can be requested as a character vector.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| thresholds                    | Thresholds represent known numeric limits for a time series, for example the historic maximum value for a parameter or a level below which a sensor is non-operative. These thresholds are sometimes used to automatically determine if an observation is erroneous due to sensor error, and therefore shouldn't be included in the time series.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| sublocation_identifier        | An optional human-readable identifier used to specify where measurements are recorded at a monitoring location.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| primary                       | A flag identifying if the time series is a "primary" time series. "Primary" time series (which have this flag) are standard observations which undergo Bureau review and approval processes. Non-primary time series, which will have missing values for "primary", are provisional datasets made available to meet the need for timely best science and to assist with daily operations which need real-time information. Non-primary time series data are only retained by this system for 120 days.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

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| parent_time_series_id | The unique identifier representing the parent or "upchain" time series that a daily values time series is generated from. Daily values time series have one and only one parent time series.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| time_series_id        | A unique identifier representing a single time series. This corresponds to the "time_series_id" field in other endpoints.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| web_description       | An optional description of the time series. WDFN and other USGS data dissemination products use this field, in combination with sublocation_identifier, to distinguish the differences between multiple time series for the same parameter code, statistic code, and monitoring location.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| skipGeometry          | This parameter can be used to skip response geometries for each feature. The returning object will be a data frame with no spatial information. The default NA will not specify the argument in the request.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| bbox                  | Only features that have a geometry that intersects the bounding box are selected. The bounding box is provided as four or six numbers, depending on whether the coordinate reference system includes a vertical axis (height or depth). Coordinates are assumed to be in crs 4326. The expected format is a numeric vector structured: c(xmin,ymin,xmax,ymax). Another way to think of it is c(Western-most longitude, Southern-most latitude, Eastern-most longitude, Northern-most longitude).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| begin                 | <p>The datetime of the earliest observation in the time series. Together with end, this field represents the period of record of a time series. Note that some time series may have large gaps in their collection record. You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> <p>Only features that have a begin that intersects the value of datetime are selected.</p>                                                                                                                                |
| end                   | <p>The datetime of the most recent observation in the time series. Data returned by this endpoint updates at most once per day, and potentially less frequently than that, and as such there may be more recent observations within a time series than the time series end value reflects. Together with begin, this field represents the period of record of a time series. It is additionally used to determine whether a time series is "active". You can query this field using date-times or intervals, adhering to RFC 3339, or using ISO 8601 duration objects. Intervals may be bounded or half-bounded (double-dots at start or end). Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A date-time: "2018-02-12T23:20:50Z"</li> <li>• A bounded interval: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Half-bounded intervals: "2018-02-12T00:00:00Z/.." or "../2018-03-18T12:31:12Z"</li> <li>• Duration objects: "P1M" for data from the past month or "PT36H" for the last 36 hours</li> </ul> |



```
meta_wi <- read_waterdata_ts_meta(state_name = "Wisconsin")
```

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|                   |                      |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| renameNWISColumns | <i>renameColumns</i> |
|-------------------|----------------------|

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## Description

Rename columns coming back from NWIS data retrievals. Daily and unit value columns have names derived from their data descriptor, parameter, and statistic codes. This function reads information from the header and the arguments in the call to to rename those columns.

## Usage

```
renameNWISColumns(  
  rawData,  
  p00010 = "Wtemp",  
  p00045 = "Precip",  
  p00060 = "Flow",  
  p00065 = "GH",  
  p00095 = "SpecCond",  
  p00300 = "DO",  
  p00400 = "pH",  
  p62611 = "GWL",  
  p63680 = "Turb",  
  p72019 = "WLBLS",  
  ...  
)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                                                                              |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| rawData | the daily- or unit-values dataset retrieved from NWISweb.                                                                                    |
| p00010  | the base name for parameter code 00010.                                                                                                      |
| p00045  | the base name for parameter code 00045.                                                                                                      |
| p00060  | the base name for parameter code 00060.                                                                                                      |
| p00065  | the base name for parameter code 00065.                                                                                                      |
| p00095  | the base name for parameter code 00095.                                                                                                      |
| p00300  | the base name for parameter code 00300.                                                                                                      |
| p00400  | the base name for parameter code 00400.                                                                                                      |
| p62611  | the base name for parameter code 62611.                                                                                                      |
| p63680  | the base name for parameter code 63680.                                                                                                      |
| p72019  | the base name for parameter code 72019.                                                                                                      |
| ...     | named arguments for the base name for any other parameter code. The form of the name must be like pXXXXX, where XXXXX is the parameter code. |

**Value**

A dataset like data with selected columns renamed.

**Note**

The following statistics codes are converted by renameNWISColumns.

**00000** Instantaneous Value, suffix: Inst  
**00001** Maximum value, suffix: Max  
**00002** Minimum value, suffix: Min  
**00003** Mean value, no suffix  
**00006** Sum of values, suffix: Sum  
**00007** Modal value, suffix: Mode  
**00008** Median value, suffix: Median  
**00012** Equivalent mean value, suffix: EqMean  
**00021** Tidal high-high value, suffix: HiHiTide  
**00022** Tidal low-high value, suffix: LoHiTide  
**00023** Tidal high-low value, suffix: HiLoTide  
**00024** Tidal low-low value, suffix: LoLoTide

**See Also**

[readNWISdv\(\)](#), [readNWISuv\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
siteWithTwo <- "01480015"
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"

twoResults <- readNWISdv(siteWithTwo, "00060", startDate, endDate)
names(twoResults)
renamedCols <- renameNWISColumns(twoResults)
names(renamedCols)
# Custom names:
newNames <- renameNWISColumns(twoResults, p00060 = "Discharge")
names(newNames)
```

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|           |                          |
|-----------|--------------------------|
| setAccess | <i>Set data endpoint</i> |
|-----------|--------------------------|

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**Description**

access Indicate which dataRetrieval access code you want to use options: c('public', 'internal')

**Usage**

```
setAccess(access = "public")
```

**Arguments**

- access                   code for data access. Options are: "public","internal","cooperator", or "USGS".
- "internal" represents Access=3 ...for a single water science center
  - "USGS" represents Access=2 ...for all water science centers
  - "cooperator" represents Access=1
  - "public" represents Access=0, public access

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
setAccess("internal")  
  
setAccess("public")
```

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|         |                                   |
|---------|-----------------------------------|
| stateCd | <i>US State Code Lookup Table</i> |
|---------|-----------------------------------|

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**Description**

Classic lookup table for states. Has been replaced in functions with check\_waterdata\_sample\_params("states").

Value

stateCd data frame.

| Name       | Type      | Description                                             |
|------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| STATE      | character | FIPS State Code                                         |
| STUSAB     | character | Official United States Postal Service (USPS) Code       |
| STATE_NAME | character | State Name                                              |
| STATENS    | character | Geographic Names Information System Identifier (GNISID) |

Examples

```
head(stateCd)
```

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|               |                           |
|---------------|---------------------------|
| stateCdLookup | <i>State code look up</i> |
|---------------|---------------------------|

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Description

Function to simplify finding state and state code definitions. Used in readNWISdata and readWQPdata.

Usage

```
stateCdLookup(input, outputType = "postal", country = "US")
```

Arguments

|            |                                                                   |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| input      | could be character (full name, abbreviation, id), or numeric (id) |
| outputType | character can be "postal", "fullName", "tableIndex", or "id".     |
| country    | description                                                       |

Examples

```
fullName <- stateCdLookup("wi", "fullName")
abbrev <- stateCdLookup("Wisconsin", "postal")
id <- stateCdLookup("WI", "id")
name <- stateCdLookup(55, "fullName")
fips <- stateCdLookup("WI", "fips")
canada_st <- stateCdLookup(13, "fullName", country = "CA")
mexico_st <- stateCdLookup(13, "fullName", country = "MX")
stateCdLookup(c("West Virginia", "Wisconsin", 200, 55, "MN"))
```

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```
summarize_waterdata_samples
```

*USGS Samples Summary Data*

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## Description

This function creates the call and gets the data for discrete water quality samples summary data service described at <https://api.waterdata.usgs.gov/samples-data/docs>.

## Usage

```
summarize_waterdata_samples(monitoringLocationIdentifier)  
  
summarize_USGS_samples(monitoringLocationIdentifier)
```

## Arguments

`monitoringLocationIdentifier`  
A single monitoring location identifier with two parts, separated by a dash (-): the agency code and the location number. Examples: USGS-040851385, AZ014-320821110580701, CAX01-15304600. The summary service accepts only one site at a time; supplying a vector of length > 1 raises an error. The agency prefix is required: bare location numbers (e.g. "040851385") are accepted by the service but return an empty result.

## Value

data frame with summary of data available based on the `monitoringLocationIdentifier`

## Examples

```
monitoringLocationIdentifier <- "USGS-04074950"  
  
what_data <- summarize_waterdata_samples(monitoringLocationIdentifier)
```

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|              |                               |
|--------------|-------------------------------|
| whatNWISdata | <i>USGS data availability</i> |
|--------------|-------------------------------|

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### Description

Imports a table of available parameters, period of record, and count. See <https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/> for more information.

### Usage

```
whatNWISdata(..., convertType = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ...         | see <a href="https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/">https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/</a> for a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied. |
| convertType | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character             |

### Details

This function requires users to create their own arguments based on the NWIS web services. It is a more complicated function to use compared to other NWIS functions such as [readNWISdv\(\)](#), [readNWISuv\(\)](#), etc. However, this function adds a lot of flexibility to the possible queries. If the "service" argument is included, the results will be filtered to the proper data\_type\_cd. This is a great function to use before a large data set, by filtering down the number of sites that have useful data.

### Value

A data frame with the following columns:

| Name               | Type      | Description                                     |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------|
| agency_cd          | character | The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data |
| site_no            | character | The USGS site number                            |
| station_nm         | character | Site name                                       |
| site_tp_cd         | character | Site type                                       |
| dec_lat_va         | numeric   | Decimal latitude                                |
| dec_long_va        | numeric   | Decimal longitude                               |
| coord_acy_cd       | character | Latitude-longitude accuracy                     |
| dec_coord_datum_cd | character | Decimal Latitude-longitude datum                |
| alt_va             | character | Altitude of Gage or land surface                |
| alt_acy_va         | character | Altitude accuracy                               |
| alt_datum_cd       | character | Altitude datum                                  |
| huc_cd             | character | Hydrologic unit code                            |
| data_type_cd       | character | Data type                                       |
| parm_cd            | character | Parameter code                                  |



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whatNWISSites

*Site Data Import from NWIS*


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## Description

Returns a list of sites from the NWIS web service. This function gets the data from: <https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/>. Mapper format is used

## Usage

```
whatNWISSites(...)
```

## Arguments

... see <https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/> for a complete list of options. A list (or lists) can also be supplied.

## Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

| Name        | Type      | Description                                     |
|-------------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------|
| agency_cd   | character | The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data |
| site_no     | character | The USGS site number                            |
| station_nm  | character | Station name                                    |
| site_tp_cd  | character | Site type code                                  |
| dec_lat_va  | numeric   | Decimal latitude                                |
| dec_long_va | numeric   | Decimal longitude                               |
| queryTime   | POSIXct   | Query time                                      |

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

| Name      | Type      | Description                       |
|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| url       | character | The url used to generate the data |
| queryTime | POSIXct   | The time the data was returned    |

## See Also

[read\\_waterdata\\_monitoring\\_location\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
# see ?read_waterdata_monitoring_location
#siteListPhos <- whatNWISSites(stateCd = "OH", parameterCd = "00665")
#oneSite <- whatNWISSites(sites = "05114000")
```

whatWQPdata

*Data Available from Water Quality Portal***Description**

Returns a list of sites from the Water Quality Portal web service. This function gets the data from: <https://www.waterqualitydata.us>. The information returned from whatWQPdata describes the available data at the WQP sites, and some metadata on the sites themselves. For example, a row is returned for each individual site that fulfills this query. In that we can learn how many sampling activities and results are available for the query. It does not break those results down by any finer grain. For example, if you ask for "Nutrients" (characteristicGroup), you will not learn what specific nutrients are available at that site. For that kind of data discovery see readWQPsummary.

**Usage**

```
whatWQPdata(..., convertType = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

... A list of named arguments. One way to figure out how to construct a WQP query is to go to the "Advanced" form in the Water Quality Portal. Use the form to discover what parameters are available. Once the query is set in the form, scroll down to the "Query URL". You will see the parameters after "https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#". For example, if you chose "Nutrient" in the Characteristic Group dropdown, you will see characteristicType=Nutrient in the Query URL. The corresponding argument for dataRetrieval is characteristicType = "Nutrient". dataRetrieval users do not need to include mimeType, and providers is optional (these arguments are picked automatically).

convertType logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character.

**Value**

A data frame that returns basic data availability such as sites, number of results, and number of sampling activities from the query parameters for the Water Quality Portal.

**See Also**

```
whatWQPsites readWQPsummary readWQPdata
```

**Examples**

```
#site1 <- whatWQPdata(siteid = "USGS-01594440")

#type <- "Stream"
#sites <- whatWQPdata(countycode = "US:55:025", siteType = type)
```

```
#lakeSites <- whatWQPdata(siteType = "Lake, Reservoir, Impoundment",
#                           countycode = "US:55:025")
#lakeSites_chars <- whatWQPdata(
#   siteType = "Lake, Reservoir, Impoundment",
#   countycode = "US:55:025", convertType = FALSE)

#bbox <- c(-86.9736, 34.4883, -86.6135, 34.6562)
#what_bb <- whatWQPdata(bbox = bbox)
```

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whatWQPsamples

*Site Data Import from Water Quality Portal*


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## Description

Returns a list of sites from the Water Quality Portal web service. This function gets the data from: <https://www.waterqualitydata.us>. The return from this function returns the basic metadata on WQP sites. It is generally faster than the `whatWQPdata()` function, but does not return information on what data was collected at the site.

## Usage

```
whatWQPsamples(..., convertType = TRUE, legacy = TRUE)
```

```
whatWQPmetrics(..., convertType = TRUE)
```

```
whatWQPsites(..., legacy = TRUE, convertType = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ...         | A list of named arguments. One way to figure out how to construct a WQP query is to go to the "Advanced" form in the Water Quality Portal. Use the form to discover what parameters are available. Once the query is set in the form, scroll down to the "Query URL". You will see the parameters after "https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#". For example, if you chose "Nutrient" in the Characteristic Group dropdown, you will see characteristicType=Nutrient in the Query URL. The corresponding argument for dataRetrieval is characteristicType = "Nutrient". dataRetrieval users do not need to include mimeType, and providers is optional (these arguments are picked automatically). |
| convertType | logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| legacy      | Logical. If TRUE, uses legacy WQP services. Default is TRUE. Setting legacy = FALSE uses WQX3.0 WQP services, which are in-development, use with caution.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

**Value**

A data frame with information on the sampling activity available from the Water Quality Portal for the query parameters.

data frame that includes information on site metadata.

**See Also**

whatWQPdata readWQPsummary

whatNWISdata

**Examples**

```
#site1 <- whatWQPsamples(siteid = "USGS-01594440")

#type <- "Stream"

#sites <- whatWQPsamples(countycode = "US:55:025", siteType = type)

#lakeSites_samples <- whatWQPsamples(siteType = "Lake, Reservoir, Impoundment",
#                                     countycode = "US:55:025")

#type <- "Stream"

#sites <- whatWQPmetrics(countycode = "US:55:025", siteType = type)
#lakeSites_metrics <- whatWQPmetrics(siteType = "Lake, Reservoir, Impoundment",
#                                     countycode = "US:55:025")

#site1 <- whatWQPsites(siteid = "USGS-01594440")

#type <- "Stream"
#sites <- whatWQPsites(
#  countycode = "US:55:025",
#  characteristicName = "Phosphorus",
#  siteType = type
#)
```

**Description**

The information from this request is only available for a limited time after the original query from the WQP. In the readWQPdata and readWQPqw functions, the results from this function will be attached as an attribute to the data.

**Usage**

```
wqp_check_status(wqp_request_id)
```

**Arguments**

wqp\_request\_id A character returned from the header of a WQP request.

**Value**

a list generated from the WQP describing what data was returned.

**Examples**

```
#rawPcode <- readWQPqw("USGS-01594440", "01075",
#                       ignore_attributes = TRUE, legacy = FALSE)
# headerInfo <- attr(rawPcode, "headerInfo")
#wqp_request_id <- headerInfo$`wqp-request-id`
#count_info <- wqp_check_status(wqp_request_id)
#count_info[["dataProviders"]]
```

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zeroPad

*Pad string with leading zeros*


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**Description**

Function to pad a string with leading zeros. Useful for parameter codes and USGS site IDs.

**Usage**

```
zeroPad(x, padTo)
```

**Arguments**

|       |                                              |
|-------|----------------------------------------------|
| x     | character                                    |
| padTo | number Final desired length of the character |

**Value**

x character returned with leading zeros

**Examples**

```
pCode <- "10"  
correctPCode <- zeroPad(pCode, 5)  
pCodes <- c("100", "1000", "0", "12345", "1565465465465465")  
correctPCodes <- zeroPad(pCodes, 5)  
pCodeNA <- c(1, 2, NA)  
padPCodeNA <- zeroPad(pCodeNA, 4)
```

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