

Metadata portal in Statistics Norway

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Statistics Norway's metadata strategy was approved in 2005. The strategy as such advocates for metadata(systems) in Statistics Norway , and several measures were recommended to support this, e.g. the development of a metadata portal.

Implementation of the metadata portal began late 2005, and the portal was released on the Internet in the spring of 2008. The portal now displays our key metadata concepts and the contents of our master metadata systems making them more accessible and easier to use both for researchers and external metadata experts, and for internal users. Metadata managers can use the portal to follow up the coverage and quality of the contents of the underlying metadata systems. The design is flexible so that the contents of other metadata systems, e.g. a questionnaire server, can be added as these become available.