

## FAO KSA Geospatial Data – Governorates

## Part 1: Basic Metadata (Mandatory)

## 1.01 Thumbnail

Prepare small thumbnail that represents this dataset. Create and save thumbnail. Insert thumbnail in the space provided and indicate the file name.

**Create and save thumbail**

Governorates of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) مملكة العربية السعودية

The map displays the administrative divisions of Saudi Arabia into 13 governorates: Al-Bah, Baha, Tabuk, Jazan, Yanbu' al-Bahr, Madinah, Makkah, Qassim, Buraydah, Hail, Riyadh, Al-Qatif, Dammam, Eastern Province, and Jeddah. Major towns are indicated by red dots, while other towns are shown as smaller orange dots. The map includes a legend, a scale bar (1:7,500,000), and a north arrow. An inset map shows the location of Saudi Arabia relative to its neighbors: Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, and Egypt.

**KSA\_Governorates\_Layout**

## 1.02 – Title

*Descriptive title for this data. Should provide sufficient information to external users.*

Enter Data Title
Governorates of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

### 1.03 – Abstract

*Provide a short and concise abstract which summarizes what this data is about. Similar to the abstracted provided in a scientific paper.*

*Enter data abstract*

This dataset delineates the second-level administrative boundaries (Governorates) within the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Each feature in this layer represents a single Governorate boundary, providing essential geographic and administrative information relevant for planning, analysis, and governance.

#### 1.04 – Date type

Provide all three type of dates - Creation date, Publication date, and Revision date.

Identification of when a given event occurred

<b>Creation</b>	<i>In 2018 FAO Received the shapefile of KSA Region The Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture.</i>
<b>Publication</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>Revision</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>relevant date</b>	<b>2018</b>

#### 1.05 – Group

The group, department or unit to which this data belongs.

**Enter group name**

*Registered Members,  
FAO Spatial Data Group,  
Natural Resources Management Component NRM - FAO KSA*

#### 1.06 – Category

Provide one primary category to which this data belong. Select from the list provided. Possible categories related to the SRADP project are highlighted in green color.

*Field declared Mandatory by the Metadata Schema*

**Select one of the following : (highlighted by Yellow)**

Imagery Base Maps Earth Cover  
Society  
Economy  
Utilities Communication  
Environment  
Oceans  
Biota  
Health

#### 1.07 – Free-text Keywords

Keywords helps Search Engines such as Google find data requested by users. Use FAO AGRIS to select the most appropriate keywords for this data. To make the data discoverable, provide a minimum of 5 keywords.

A space or comma-separated list of keywords. Use the Widget to select from Hierarchical tree.

**REQUIRED:** Common-use word or phrase used to describe the subject of the data set. *(Provide 5 keyword minimum)*

**Governorate**

*Enter Keyword2 (Obtain from FAO AGRIS)  
Enter Keyword3 (Obtain from FAO AGRIS)  
Enter Keyword4 (Obtain from FAO AGRIS)  
Enter Keyword5 (Obtain from FAO AGRIS)*

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Elevation	-
Geoscientific Information	-
Planning Cadastre	-
Inland Waters	-
<b>Boundaries</b>	-
Structure	-
Transportation	-
Intelligence Military	-
<b>Location</b>	-
Climatology Meteorology Atmosphere	-
Farming	-
Population	-

## Part 2: Location and Licenses (Mandatory)

### 2.01 Language

*Provide data language*

*Language used within the dataset*

**Enter data language**

**English and Arabic**

### 2.02 License

*Provide the type of license under which this data is published and intended to be used.*

*License of the Dataset*

**Select one of the following License: (highlighted by Yellow)**

NextView

**Not Specified**

Open Data Commons Open Database License / OSM

Public Domain

Public Domain / USG

Varied / Derived

Varied / Original

### 2.03 Attribution

*Identify the entity or agency with authority and responsibility over this data.*

*Authority or function assigned, as to a ruler, legislative assembly, delegate, or the like.*

**\*Field declared Mandatory by the Metadata Schema**

**Enter attribution for this data**

***This data is done by the Saudi Governorates and its available In All GIS Departments over the Ministries as an Important layer that show the right Boundaries for all governorates that covers kingdom of Saud arabia, FAO Received this data from the GIS Department at Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture.***

## 2.04 Regions

Identify the region that the data covers. You can provide several regions.

**Enter global or specific regions**

**Completely are the 202 Governorates belongs to the 13 regions of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.**

## 2.05 Data quality statement

Statement on the data quality. This allows any known issue about the data quality to be documented and shared with data user so that they can use the data appropriately.

**Provide data quality statement**

**Data is considered to be of high quality until it is updated in terms of boundaries by the government.**

## 2.06 Restrictions

Indicate any know restriction on this data. You could consideration the following when assessing data restriction:

- (1) Exclusive right to the publication, production, or sale of the rights to a literary, musical, or artistic work, or to the use of a commercial print or label, granted by law for a specified period of time to an author, composer, artist, distribution
- (2) Rights to financial benefit from and control of distribution of non-tangible property that is a result of creativity
- (3) Formal permission to do something
- (4) Government has granted exclusive right to make, sell, use or license an invention or discovery
- (5) Produced or sold information awaiting a patent
- (6) Withheld from general circulation or disclosure
- (7) Name, symbol, or other device identifying a product, officially registered and legally restricted to the use of the owner or manufacturer
- (8) Other restrictions

Limitations Placed upon the access or use of the data

**\* Field declared Mandatory by the Metadata Schema**

**Enter any know data use restriction information**

(3) Formal permission to do something.

(4) Government has granted exclusive right to make, sell, use or license an invention or discovery.

(8) Other restrictions: No one can change or update the data even FAO, its done only by the government using specific procedures.

## 2.07 Other constraints

*Identify any other constraints on this data that would be important to document and share with the data users*

**Enter other constraints on this data**

### Part 3: Other Data Description (Optional)

#### 3.01 Edition

*If the data is linked or resulting from work that has editions, indicate the edition for this dataset.*

*Version of the cited resource*

**Enter Edition**

**Not Specific**

#### 3.02 DOI

*The DOI (Digital Object Identifier) will be assigned by the Metadata Administrator.*

*DOI will be added by Admin before publication*

**Create and enter the data DIO**

#### 3.03 Purpose

*The purpose for which this dataset and related studies were undertaken.*

**Provide data purpose**

- 1- Identify the governorates of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.**
- 2- Identify the Areas for Every Governorates in Hectare and Square Kilometer.**
- 3- Identify the Names in Arabic and English of all Governorates.**

#### 3.04 Maintenance frequency

*The frequency for data update.*

*Frequency with which modifications and deletions are made to the data after it is first produced*

**Select one of the following : (highlighted by Yellow)**

<b>Frequency of maintenance for the data is not known</b>
<i>Data is repeatedly and frequently updated</i>
<i>There are no plans to update the data</i>
<i>Data is updated each day</i>
<i>Data is updated every year</i>
<b>Data is updated as deemed necessary</b>
<i>Data is updated each month</i>
<i>Data is updated every two weeks</i>
<i>Data is updated in intervals that are uneven in duration</i>
<i>Data is updated on weekly basis</i>
<i>Data is updated twice each year</i>
<i>Data is updated every three months</i>
<b>3.05 Spatial representation type</b>
<i>How the spatial data is presented, Method used to represent geographic information in the dataset</i>
<b>Select one of the following : (highlighted by Yellow)</b>
<i>Grid data is used to represent geographic data</i>
<i>Three-dimensional view formed by the intersecting homologous rays of an overlapping pair of image</i>
<i>Textual or tabular data is used to represent the geographic data</i>
<i>Triangulated irregular network</i>
<b>Vector data is used to represent geographic data</b>
<i>Scene from a video recording</i>

<b>3.06 Supplemental information (Remarks)</b>
<i>Provide any additional supplemental information about this data that could help the user when using this data</i>
<b>Enter supplemental information / Remarks</b>
<i>The Kingdom's Governorates borders layer can be used as a base layer, and it is possible to open a group of layers with it to make a study of a specific area within Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.</i>

<b>3.07 Temporal extent Start and End</b>			
<i>Provide temporal extent start and end that may have bearing on this data.</i>			
<b>Temporal extent start</b>		<b>Temporal extent end</b>	
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
<i>Enter temporal start date</i>	<i>Enter temporal start time</i>	<i>Enter temporal end date</i>	<i>Enter temporal end time</i>

### 3.08 Responsible Parties / Point of Contact

Who can be contacted about this data? This is usually the metadata administrator.

**Admin Name**

**Enter Metadata Admin**

Dr. Njeru Jeremiah – Chief Technical Advisor of Natural Resource Management NRM – FAO KSA

Mr. Haitham Abdullah – GIS Specialist – FAO KSA

### 3.09 Responsible and Permissions / Owner

Who is the responsible over this data? This is usually the person that led or supported the creation of the data

**Data Responsible / Owner**

**Enter data owner**

FAO

NCVC Geo-Spatial Unit

MoEWA

### 3.10 Metadata Author

Who is the author of the metadata? This is usually the person that led or supported the creation of the data.

**Data Responsible / Owner**

**Enter Metadata Admin**

GIS Department in Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in Saudi Arabia.

## Part 4: Part 4 - Data Attributes (Optional)

### 4.01 Key data features and attributes

Detailed description of the data layer features and attributes will be provide in a separate custom template for data features and attributes description. Here, the key features and attributes (objects) for this data are provided.

**Description of key features and attributes**

Attribute / Feature	Description
Enter the attributes of this Layer	Enter the description of the attributes
ID / Long Integer	Sequence number for each polygon.
Name_E / String	This is the English name for every Governorate.
Name_A / String	This is the Arabic name for every Governorate.
Region_E_Name	This is the English name for the region.
Region_A_Name	This is the Arabic name for the region.

<i>Governorate_ID</i>	<i>This is the Unique Id for the governorate.</i>
<i>CODE</i>	<i>This is the combination of region and governorates numbers</i>
<i>Area/Ha</i>	<i>This is Area in hectares.</i>
<i>Area/KM</i>	<i>This is Area in square kilometer.</i>