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Launched in 2009, as part of the Federal Government's commitment to open and transparent government, Data.gov is clearinghouse that facilitates access to more than 186 thousand datasets. Although datasets were initially submitted voluntarily by federal agencies that were only required to submit at least 3 high value datasets, a 2013 Executive Order created an Open Data Policy mandating newly generated government data be made available by default. The Data.gov catalog includes metadata for more than 186 thousand datasets and includes federal government data, as well as data from state and local governments. Although Data.gov provides access to the metadata for datasets, the datasets themselves are, for the large part, hosted on the generating agencies' websites.

“INFORMATION is a valuable national resource and a strategic asset to the Federal Government, its partners, and the public.”

186,918 datasets

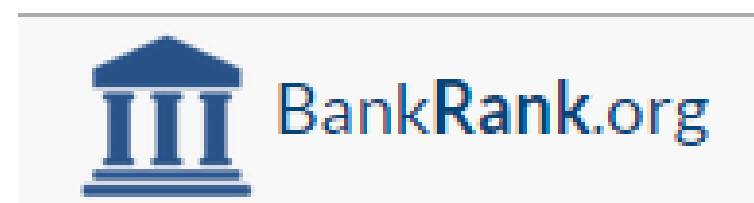
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