

Source Metadata

Record and Fields

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Record Background

The following metadata fields capture provenance information about the historical document or secondary resource from which the **EVENT**, **PERSON**, and **PLACE** data was drawn.

SOURCE data will connect to each piece of data in the *Enslaved.org* platform.

Metadata fields for **EVENT**, **PERSON**, and **PLACE** are described in other documents.

SOURCE Record

Provenance information about the primary and/or secondary documents that are the sources for the extracted **EVENT**, **PERSON**, and **PLACE** data. This record also includes information about the foundational project that provided the data to the *Enslaved.org* platform, which allows for the aggregation of all **PERSON** records from the same contributing partner project.

* Required Fields

Source Identifier

Document Type

Source

Start Date

Contributing Project

Fields for *Enslaved.org* Linked Data Platform (Hub)

1. **Source Identifier*** -- Unique reference to the historical document or secondary resource from which **EVENT** data was drawn
 - a. *Enslaved.org* strongly recommends listing Source Identifier in the Source Associator field of related **EVENT** records
 - b. In some instances, **SOURCE** may be connected to the **PERSON** record, depending on the organization and focus of the dataset

2. **Document Type*** -- General category describing the historical document or secondary resource from which **EVENT** data was drawn
 - a. Document Type controlled vocabulary options (defined in *Enslaved.org* **Controlled Vocabularies**)
 - i. Auction Notice
 - ii. Bill of Sale or Receipt
 - iii. Census or Register
 - iv. Civil (document)
 - v. Criminal (document)
 - vi. Freedom or Emancipation Document
 - vii. Legislation
 - viii. Life History
 - ix. Membership List
 - x. Petition
 - xi. Runaway Ad
 - xii. Sacramental or Religious (document)
 - xiii. Ship Registry or Manifest
 - xiv. Tax Record
 - xv. Will

3. **Source*** -- Relevant information about the historical document or secondary resource from which **EVENT** data was drawn
 - a. Use to identify the location where resource can be found "on a shelf," the original publisher from earlier stages in an object's publishing history, and the printer.
 - b. Recommended data for archival documents:
 - i. Name of repository
 - ii. Collection name
 - iii. Collection number
 - iv. Box number
 - v. Folder
 - vi. File
 - c. Examples

- i. Louisiana Division/City Archives and Special Collections at the New Orleans Public Library. The Mayor's Register of Free Blacks in the City of New Orleans from 1840 to 1864. Volume 4, Book 1, Page 3.
 - ii. Arquivo Judiciário do Estado do Maranhão, São Luis, Brazil. Inventories of slaveholders' possessions (1767-1831). Uncataloged box 1767. Page 17.
 - d. Other entries could be much broader, including for archival record groups (especially if materials are uncatalogued), periodicals, works of literature, etc.
- 4. Start Date*** -- Point in time when primary and/or secondary document from which **EVENT** data was created
- a. For documents that were created over a span of time, use Start Date to record the beginning of the time span and End Date to record the end of the time span
 - b. Include specific dates (YYYYMMDD) or more general dates (such as month year: YYYYMM or year only: YYYY)
 - c. For approximate dates, use Start Date and End Date to indicate estimated duration of creation
- 5. End Date** -- Point in time when primary and/or secondary document creation ended; use for documents like baptismal registers that were written over a period of time
- a. Use with Start Date to record the time spans
 - b. Include specific dates (YYYYMMDD) or more general dates (such as month year: YYYYMM or year only: YYYY)
 - c. For approximate dates, use Start Date and End Date to indicate estimated duration of creation
- 6. Contributing Project*** -- Name of the foundational partner project that provided the data to *Enslaved.org*. Allows for the aggregation of all records from the same contributing partner.