Developments in data dissemination

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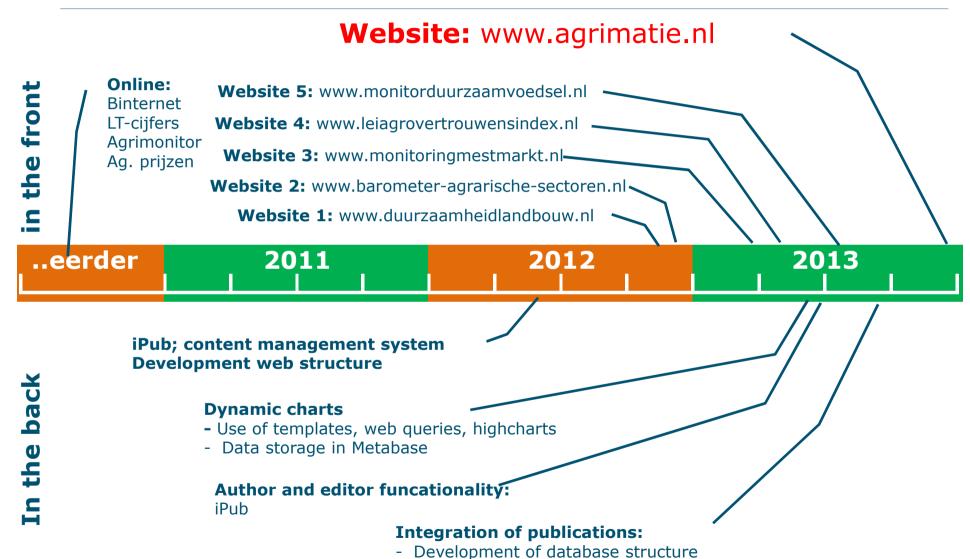


Motivation

- Reports are outdated the moment they are published
- Hard-copy reports are much more difficult to browse and/or surf than information on the web.
- The Web gives a far wider access to information
- The Web prodvide better reusability of data
- Also, the technical creation of a report is a repetitive, scriptable and therefore highly automatable and (in the end) a less costly task
- Therefore, policy –and decisionmakers as well as reporters are better served by web-reporting/publishing



History



- First set of publications; online 18 december 2013



Underlying technology

- iPub
- MetaBase
- HighCharts/Stock/Maps
- JavaScript library
- Front-end: c# ASP.net and pure HTML5, JavaScript applications



iPub

- Provides structure to the reporting process (=navigation structure)
- (automated) workflow for the publication process

- No underlying data management
- Facilities for static charts and maps only



MetaBase

- Scientific research very often requires large volumes of data that is distributed over many heterogeneous public, private, or proprietary data sources
- Requiring complete knowledge of data sources at hand
- Requiring a range of IT skills
- collecting appropriate and reliable data for any given research question can become a daunting task for any researcher



MetaBase

- MetaBase is a system that provides a common interface to a multitude of heterogeneous data sources that can be queried by researchers transparently
- without any knowledge of the semantic and technological intricacies of the underlying data sources.
- In order to provide this environment, IT and data (source) experts feed the system with the required knowledge



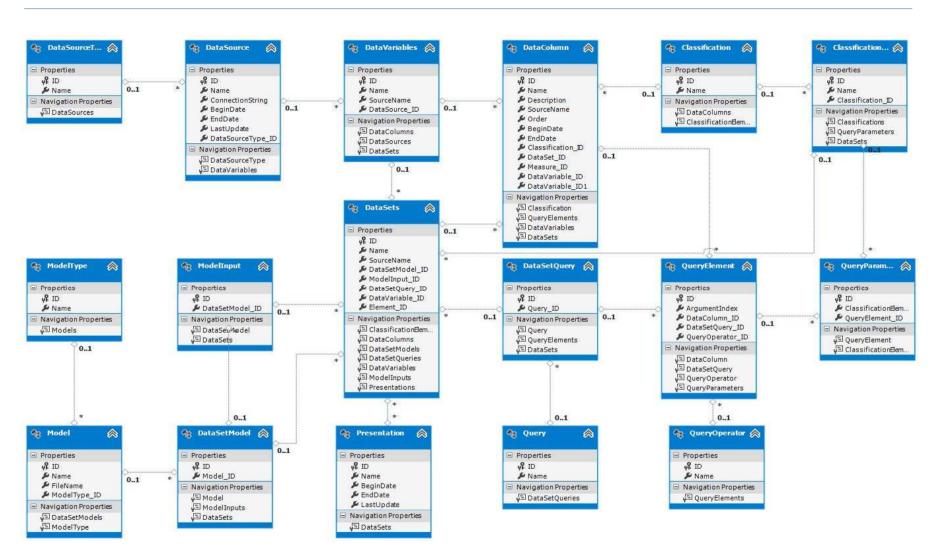
MetaBase Architecture

Data Sources https MetaBase SOAP https Clients XML JSON Metadata https Catalogue

Web Services



MetaBase datamodel





HighCharts/Stock/Maps

JavaScript Charting Library for dynamic, interactive Charts & Maps

http://www.highcharts.com/products/highcharts

http://www.highcharts.com/products/highstock

http://www.highcharts.com/products/highmaps

HighChartFactory: our own Javascript library to combine MetaBase and HighCharts/Stock Map



Demo

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Agrimatie: 2013 and 2014

2013

- Recent developments (farm income)
- Barometer: gross margin per month
- Sustainability in Dutch Agriculture
- Fishery in figures

2014

- Grondprijzenmonitor: price of agricultural land
- Voedselprijzenmonitor: food prices
- Some new items (fertilizers, agricultural image)
- Regular updates Barometer, prices, structure



2014 and further

- New content (LEI-projects)
 - Monitoring mestmarkt: manure market
 - Agro vertrouwensindex: business confidence in agriculture
 - Monitoring duurzaam voedsel: consumer level, food
 - LMM: monitoring manure policy and EU directives
- Content management
 - Improvements in use (authors, reviewers, web functionality), data management and data presentation
- Other improvements
 - New content from other institutes besides LEI (Statistics Netherlands, Wageningen University)

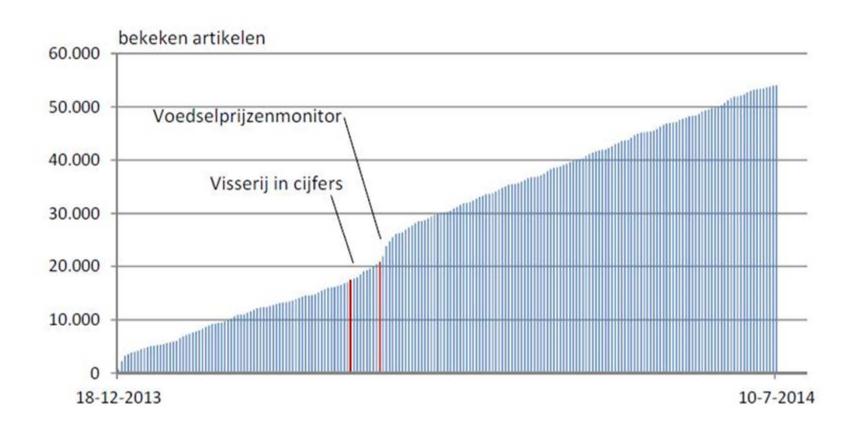


2014: improvements

- Bi-lingual
 - Dutch, English
- Data presentation:
 - www.highcharts.com
 - New charts
 - Use of maps
 - Tables



Agrimatie: visitors website (200 days)





The end.

Thank you for your attention

Questions please!

