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addWaterYear   *add a water year column*

Description

Add a column to the dataRetrieval data frame with the water year. WQP queries will return a water year column for the start and end dates of the data.

Usage

```
addWaterYear(rawData)
```

Arguments

rawData   the daily- or unit-values datset retrieved from NWISweb. Must have at least
                 one of the following columns to add the new water year columns: 'dateTime',
                 'Date', 'ActivityStartDate', or 'ActivityEndDate'. The date column(s) can be
                 character, POSIXct, Date. They cannot be numeric.

Value

data.frame with an additional integer column with "WY" appended to the date column name. For
WQP, there will be 2 columns: 'ActivityStartDateWY' and 'ActivityEndDateWY'.

Examples

```
nwisData <- readNWISdv("04085427", "00060", "2012-01-01", "2012-06-30")
nwisData <- addWaterYear(nwisData)

wqpData <- readWQPqw("USGS-01594440", "01075", "", "")
wqpData <- addWaterYear(wqpData)
```

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calcWaterYear   *Extract WY from a date*

Description

Determine the correct water year based on a calendar date.

Usage

```
calcWaterYear(dateVec)
```

Arguments

dateVec   vector of dates as character ("YYYY-DD-MM"), Date, or POSIXct. Numeric
                 does not work.

Details

This function calculates a water year based on the USGS definition that a water year starts on
October 1 of the year before, and ends on September 30. For example, water year 2015 started on
2014-10-01 and ended on 2015-09-30.

Value

numeric vector indicating the water year

Examples

```
x <- seq(as.Date("2010-01-01"), as.Date("2010-12-31"), by = "month")
calcWaterYear(x)

y <- c("2010-01-01", "1994-02", "1980", "2009-11-01", NA)
calcWaterYear(y)
```

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checkWQPdates *Date Check for Water Quality Portal*

Description

Checks date format for inputs to the Water Quality Portal. Used in `readWQPqw` and `readWQPdata`.

Usage

```
checkWQPdates(values)
```

Arguments

values   named list with arguments to send to the Water Quality Portal

Value

values named list with corrected arguments to send to the Water Quality Portal

Examples

```
values <- list(
  startDateLo = "01-01-2002",
  characteristicName = "Phosphorous",
  endDate = as.Date("2014-01-01")
)
values <- checkWQPdates(values)
```

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constructNWISURL *Construct NWIS url for data retrieval*

Description

Imports data from NWIS web service. This function gets the data from here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/qwdata A list of parameter codes can be found here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/pmcodes/ A list of statistic codes can be found here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/help/?read_file=stat&format=table

Usage

```
constructNWISURL(
  siteNumbers,
  parameterCd = "00060",
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  service,
```

```
    statCd = "00003",
    format = "xml",
    expanded = TRUE,
    ratingType = "base",
    statReportType = "daily",
    statType = "mean"
)
```

Arguments

`siteNumbers`	string or vector of strings USGS site number. This is usually an 8 digit number
`parameterCd`	string or vector of USGS parameter code. This is usually an 5 digit number.
`startDate`	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.
`endDate`	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.
`service`	string USGS service to call. Possible values are "dv" (daily values), "uv" (unit/instantaneous values), "qw" (water quality data), "gwlevels" (groundwater),and "rating" (rating curve), "peak", "meas" (discrete streamflow measurements), "stat" (statistics web service BETA).
`statCd`	string or vector USGS statistic code only used for daily value service. This is usually 5 digits. Daily mean (00003) is the default.
`format`	string, can be "tsv" or "xml", and is only applicable for daily and unit value requests. "tsv" returns results faster, but there is a possibility that an incomplete file is returned without warning. XML is slower, but will offer a warning if the file was incomplete (for example, if there was a momentary problem with the internet connection). It is possible to safely use the "tsv" option, but the user must carefully check the results to see if the data returns matches what is expected. The default is therefore "xml".
`expanded`	logical defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, retrieves additional information, only applicable for qw data.
`ratingType`	can be "base", "corr", or "exsa". Only applies to rating curve data.
`statReportType`	character Only used for statistics service requests. Time division for statistics: daily, monthly, or annual. Default is daily. Note that daily provides statistics for each calendar day over the specified range of water years, i.e. no more than 366 data points will be returned for each site/parameter. Use `readNWISdata` or `readNWISdv` for daily averages. Also note that "annual" returns statistics for the calendar year. Use `readNWISdata` for water years. Monthly and yearly provide statistics for each month and year within the range individually.
`statType`	character Only used for statistics service requests. Type(s) of statistics to output for daily values. Default is mean, which is the only option for monthly and yearly report types. See the statistics service documentation at https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/statistics/ for a full list of codes.

Value

url string

Examples

```
site_id <- "01594440"
startDate <- "1985-01-01"
endDate <- ""
pCode <- c("00060", "00010")
url_daily <- constructNWISURL(site_id, pCode,
  startDate, endDate, "dv",
  statCd = c("00003", "00001")
)
url_unit <- constructNWISURL(site_id, pCode, "2012-06-28", "2012-06-30", "iv")

url_qw_single <- constructNWISURL(site_id, "01075", startDate, endDate, "qw")
url_qw <- constructNWISURL(
  site_id, c("01075", "00029", "00453"),
  startDate, endDate, "qw"
)
url_daily_tsv <- constructNWISURL(site_id, pCode, startDate, endDate, "dv",
  statCd = c("00003", "00001"), format = "tsv"
)
url_rating <- constructNWISURL(site_id, service = "rating", ratingType = "base")
url_peak <- constructNWISURL(site_id, service = "peak")
url_meas <- constructNWISURL(site_id, service = "meas")
urlQW <- constructNWISURL("450456092225801", "70300",
  startDate = "", endDate = "",
  "qw", expanded = TRUE
)
```

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constructUseURL   *Construct URL for NWIS water use data service*

Description

Reconstructs URLs to retrieve data from here: <https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/wu>

Usage

```
constructUseURL(years, stateCd, countyCd, categories)
```

Arguments

years	integer Years for data retrieval. Must be years ending in 0 or 5, or "ALL", which retrieves all available years.
stateCd	could be character (full name, abbreviation, id), or numeric (id)
countyCd	could be numeric (County IDs from countyCdLookup) or character ("ALL")
categories	character Two-letter cateogory abbreviation(s)

Value

url string

Examples

```
url <- constructUseURL(
  years = c(1990, 1995),
  stateCd = "Ohio",
  countyCd = c(1, 3),
  categories = "ALL"
)
```

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constructWQPURL   *Construct WQP url for data retrieval*

Description

Construct WQP url for data retrieval. This function gets the data from here: https://www.waterqualitydata.us

Usage

```
constructWQPURL(siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate, endDate, zip = TRUE)
```

Arguments

siteNumbers	string or vector of strings USGS site number. This is usually an 8 digit number
parameterCd	string or vector of USGS parameter code. This is usually an 5 digit number.
startDate	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.
endDate	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.
zip	logical to request data via downloading zip file. Default set to TRUE.

Value

url string

Examples

```
site_id <- "01594440"
startDate <- "1985-01-01"
endDate <- ""
pCode <- c("00060", "00010")
url_wqp <- constructWQPURL(
  paste("USGS", site_id, sep = "-"),
  c("01075", "00029", "00453"),
  startDate, endDate
)
url_wqp
```

```
charNames <- c(
  "Temperature",
  "Temperature, sample",
  "Temperature, water",
  "Temperature, water, deg F"
)
obs_url_orig <- constructWQPURL(
  siteNumbers = c(
    "IIDFG-41WSSPAHS",
    "USGS-02352560"
  ),
  parameterCd = charNames,
  startDate, ""
)
obs_url_orig
```

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countyCd   *US County Code Lookup Table*

Description

Data originally pulled from https://www2.census.gov/geo/docs/reference/codes/files/national_county.txt on April 1, 2015. On Feb. 11, 2022, the fields were updated with the file found in inst/extdata, which is used internally with NWIS retrievals.

Value

countyCd data frame.

Name	Type	Description
STUSAB	character	State abbreviation
STATE	character	two-digit ANSI code
COUNTY	character	three-digit county code
COUNTY_NAME	character	County full name
COUNTY_ID	character	County id

Examples

```
head(countyCd)
```

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countyCdLookup   *County code look up*

Description

Function to simplify finding county and county code definitions. Used in `readNWISdata` and `readNWISuse`.

Usage

```
countyCdLookup(state, county, outputType = "id")
```

Arguments

state	could be character (full name, abbreviation, id), or numeric (id)
county	could be character (name, with or without "County") or numeric (id)
outputType	character can be "fullName", "tableIndex", "id", or "fullEntry".

Examples

```
id <- countyCdLookup(state = "WI", county = "Dane")
name <- countyCdLookup(state = "OH", county = 13, output = "fullName")
index <- countyCdLookup(state = "Pennsylvania", county = "ALLEGHENY COUNTY", output = "tableIndex")
fromIDs <- countyCdLookup(state = 13, county = 5, output = "fullName")
already_correct <- countyCdLookup(county = "51001")
```

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create_NWIS_bib	*Create NWIS data citation*

Description

Uses attributes from the NWIS functions to create data citations.

Usage

```
create_NWIS_bib(x)
```

Arguments

x	Any data returned from an NWIS function, must include "queryTime" and "url" attributes, which should come with the data by default.

Details

See ?bibentry for more information.

Value

bibentry object to use for citing the data.

Examples

```
nwisData <- readNWISdv("04085427", "00060", "2012-01-01", "2012-06-30")
nwis_citation <- create_NWIS_bib(nwisData)
nwis_citation

print(nwis_citation, style = "Bibtex")
print(nwis_citation, style = "citation")
```

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create_WQP_bib   *Create WQP data citation*

Description

Uses attributes from the WQP functions to create data citations.

Usage

```
create_WQP_bib(x)
```

Arguments

x   Any data returned from an NWIS function, must include "queryTime" and "url"
                     attributes, which should come with the data by default.

Details

See ?bibentry for more information.

Value

bibentry object to use for citing the data.

Examples

```
WQPData <- readWQPqw("USGS-05288705",
                     parameterCd = "00300")
wqp_citation <- create_WQP_bib(WQPData)
wqp_citation

print(wqp_citation, style = "Bibtex")
print(wqp_citation, style = "citation")
```

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findNLDI   *R Client for the Network Linked Data Index*

Description

Provides a formal client to the USGS Network Linked Data Index.

Usage

```
findNLDI(
  comid = NULL,
  nwis = NULL,
  wqp = NULL,
  huc12 = NULL,
  location = NULL,
  origin = NULL,
  nav = NULL,
  find = c("flowlines"),
  distance_km = 100,
  no_sf = FALSE,
  warn = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

comid	numeric or character. An NHDPlusV2 COMID
nwis	numeric or character. A USGS NWIS surface water siteID
wqp	numeric or character. A water quality point ID
huc12	numeric or character. A WBD HUC12 unit ID
location	numeric vector. Coordinate pair in WGS84 SRS ordered lng/lat (X,Y)
origin	named list. Specifying a feature type and ID (e.g. list("comid" = 101))
nav	character vector. where to navigate from the starting point. Options include along the upper mainsteam (UM), upstream tributary (UT), downstream mainstem (DM) and downstream divergences (DD). You may select one or more of the abbreviations ("UM", "UT", DM", "DD").
find	character vector. Define what resources to find along the navigation path(s) (see get_nldi_sources()$source). Can also include 'basin' or 'flowline', which will return the upstream basin of the starting feature or flowlines along the navigation respectively. The default is "flowlines". If you provide any other resource, AND want flowlines, then flowlines must be explicitly requested.
distance_km	numeric. Define how far to look along the navigation path in kilometers (default = 100)
no_sf	if available, should 'sf' be used for parsing, defaults to 'TRUE' if 'sf' is locally installed
warn	(default TRUE) should warnings be printed

Details

The function is useful for topology and location based feature discovery. A user must specify an origin feature, optional navigation direction(s) along the network, as well as features to identify along the navigated paths. Valid starting options can be given by one of the following arguments: comid, nwis, huc12, wqp, location, and start.

Value

a list of data.frames if sf is not installed, a list of sf objects if it is

Examples

```
# Find Features / Define origin features

## Find feature by COMID
findNLDI(comid = 101)

## Find feature by NWIS ID
findNLDI(nwis = "11120000")

## Find feature by WQP ID
findNLDI(wqp = "USGS-04024315")

## Find feature by LOCATION
findNLDI(location = c(-115, 40))

## GENERAL ORIGIN: COMID
findNLDI(origin = list("comid" = 101))

## GENERAL ORIGIN: WaDE
findNLDI(origin = list("wade" = "CA_45206"))

# Navigation (flowlines will be returned if find is unspecified)
# UPPER MAINSTEM of USGS-11120000
findNLDI(nwis = "11120000", nav = "UM")

# MULTI-REQUEST
# UPPER MAINSTEM and TRIBUTARY of USGS-11120000
findNLDI(nwis = "11120000", nav = c("UT", "UM"))

# Discover Features(flowlines will not be returned unless included in find)

## Find feature(s) on the upper tributary of USGS-11120000
findNLDI(nwis = "11120000", nav = "UT", find = c("nwis", "wqp"))

## Find upstream basin boundary and  of USGS-11120000
findNLDI(nwis = "11120000", find = "basin")

# Control Distance
## Limit search to 50 km
```

```
findNLDI(comid = 101, nav = "DM", find = c("nwis", "wqp", "flowlines"), distance_km = 50)
```

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getQuerySummary   *getting header information from a WQP query*

Description

getting header information from a WQP query

Usage

```
getQuerySummary(url)
```

Arguments

url   the query url

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getWebServiceData   *Function to return data from web services*

Description

This function accepts a url parameter, and returns the raw data. The function enhances [GET](#) with more informative error messages.

Usage

```
getWebServiceData(obs_url, ...)
```

Arguments

obs_url   character containing the url for the retrieval

...   information to pass to header request

Value

raw data from web services

Examples

```
siteNumber <- "02177000"
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"
offering <- "00003"
property <- "00060"
obs_url <- constructNWISURL(siteNumber, property, startDate, endDate, "dv")

rawData <- getWebServiceData(obs_url)
```

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get_nldi_sources *Get current NLDI offerings*

Description

Used to query the current resources available through the NLDI

Usage

```
get_nldi_sources(url = pkg.env$nldi_base)
```

Arguments

url   URL for NLDI sources. Default is supplied by package environment.

Value

data.frame

Examples

```
get_nldi_sources()
```

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importNGWMN   *Function to return data from the National Ground Water Monitoring*
                               Network waterML2 format

Description

This function accepts a url parameter for a WaterML2 getObservation. This function is still under development, but the general functionality is correct.

Usage

```
importNGWMN(input, asDateTime = FALSE, tz = "UTC")
```

Arguments

input	character or raw, containing the url for the retrieval or a path to the data file, or raw XML.
asDateTime	logical, if `TRUE` returns date and time as POSIXct, if `FALSE`, character
tz	character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided time zone offset. Possible values to provide are "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight savings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also `OlsonNames()` for more information on time zones.

Value

mergedDF a data frame source, time, value, uom, uomTitle, comment, gmlID

Examples

```
obs_url <- paste("https://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn_cache/sos?request=GetObservation",
  "service=SOS", "version=2.0.0",
  "observedProperty=urn:ogc:def:property:OGC:GroundWaterLevel",
  "responseFormat=text/xml",
  "featureOfInterest=VW_GWDP_GEOSERVER.USGS.403836085374401",
  sep = "&"
)

#data_returned <- importNGWMN(obs_url)
```

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importRDB1 *Function to return data from the NWIS RDB 1.0 format*

Description

This function accepts a url parameter that already contains the desired NWIS site, parameter code, statistic, startdate and enddate. It is not recommended to use the RDB format for importing multi-site data.

Usage

```
importRDB1(obs_url, asDateTime = TRUE, convertType = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

Arguments

obs_url	character containing the url for the retrieval or a file path to the data file.
asDateTime	logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, Date
convertType	logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character
tz	character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default converts the datetimes to UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column). Recommended US values include "UTC", "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". For a complete list, see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_tz_database_time_zones

Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
datetime	POSIXct	The date and time of the value converted to UTC (if asDateTime = TRUE,
	character	or raw character string (if asDateTime = FALSE)
tz_cd	character	The time zone code for datetime
code	character	Any codes that qualify the corresponding value
value	numeric	The numeric value for the parameter
tz_cd_reported	The originally reported time zone	

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form XD_P_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable). If a date/time (dt) column contained incomplete date

and times, a new column of dates and time was inserted. This could happen when older data was reported as dates, and newer data was reported as a date/time.

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file

Examples

```
site_id <- "02177000"
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"
offering <- "00003"
property <- "00060"

obs_url <- constructNWISURL(site_id, property,
  startDate, endDate, "dv",
  format = "tsv"
)

data <- importRDB1(obs_url)


urlMultiPcodes <- constructNWISURL("04085427", c("00060", "00010"),
  startDate, endDate, "dv",
  statCd = c("00003", "00001"), "tsv"
)

multiData <- importRDB1(urlMultiPcodes)

unitDataURL <- constructNWISURL(site_id, property,
  "2020-10-30", "2020-11-01", "uv",
  format = "tsv"
) # includes timezone switch

unitData <- importRDB1(unitDataURL, asDateTime = TRUE)

qwURL <- constructNWISURL(c("04024430", "04024000"),
  c("34247", "30234", "32104", "34220"),
  "2010-11-03", "", "qw",
  format = "rdb"
)

qwData <- importRDB1(qwURL, asDateTime = TRUE, tz = "America/Chicago")

iceSite <- "04024000"
start <- "2015-11-09"
end <- "2015-11-24"
```

```
urlIce <- constructNWISURL(iceSite, "00060", start, end, "uv", format = "tsv")

ice <- importRDB1(urlIce, asDateTime = TRUE)
iceNoConvert <- importRDB1(urlIce, convertType = FALSE)

# User file:
filePath <- system.file("extdata", package = "dataRetrieval")
fileName <- "RDB1Example.txt"
fullPath <- file.path(filePath, fileName)
importUserRDB <- importRDB1(fullPath)
```

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importWaterML1   *Function to return data from the NWISWeb WaterML1.1 service*

Description

This function accepts a url parameter that already contains the desired NWIS site, parameter code, statistic, startdate and enddate.

Usage

```
importWaterML1(obs_url, asDateTime = FALSE, tz = "UTC")
```

Arguments

obs_url	character or raw, containing the url for the retrieval or a file path to the data file, or raw XML.
asDateTime	logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, Date
tz	character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default converts the datetimes to UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column). Recommended US values include "UTC", "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". For a complete list, see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_tz_database_time_zones

Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
	POSIXct	The date and time of the value converted to UTC (if asDateTime = TRUE),
	character	or raw character string (if asDateTime = FALSE)
tz_cd	character	The time zone code for
code	character	Any codes that qualify the corresponding value
value	numeric	The numeric value for the parameter

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form X_D_P_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters
statisticInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

See Also

[renameNWISColumns](#)

Examples

```
site_id <- "02177000"
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"
offering <- "00003"
property <- "00060"
obs_url <- constructNWISURL(site_id, property, startDate, endDate, "dv")

data <- importWaterML1(obs_url, asDateTime = TRUE)

groundWaterSite <- "431049071324301"
startGW <- "2013-10-01"
endGW <- "2014-06-30"
groundwaterExampleURL <- constructNWISURL(groundWaterSite, NA,
  startGW, endGW,
  service = "gwlevels"
)
groundWater <- importWaterML1(groundwaterExampleURL)
groundWater2 <- importWaterML1(groundwaterExampleURL, asDateTime = TRUE)

unitDataURL <- constructNWISURL(
  site_id, property,
  "2013-11-03", "2013-11-03", "uv"
)
unitData <- importWaterML1(unitDataURL, TRUE)

# Two sites, two pcodes, one site has two data descriptors:
siteNumber <- c("01480015", "04085427")
obs_url <- constructNWISURL(
  siteNumber, c("00060", "00010"),
  startDate, endDate, "dv"
)
```

```
data <- importWaterML1(obs_url)
data$dateTime <- as.Date(data$dateTime)
data <- renameNWISColumns(data)
names(attributes(data))
attr(data, "url")
attr(data, "disclaimer")

inactiveSite <- "05212700"
inactiveSite <- constructNWISURL(inactiveSite, "00060",
                                 "2014-01-01", "2014-01-10", "dv")
inactiveSite <- importWaterML1(inactiveSite)

inactiveAndAcitive <- c("07334200", "05212700")
inactiveAndAcitive <- constructNWISURL(inactiveAndAcitive,
                        "00060", "2014-01-01", "2014-01-10", "dv")
inactiveAndAcitive <- importWaterML1(inactiveAndAcitive)

# Timezone change with specified local timezone:
tzURL <- constructNWISURL("04027000", c("00300", "63680"),
                          "2011-11-05", "2011-11-07", "uv")
tzIssue <- importWaterML1(tzURL,
  asDateTime = TRUE, tz = "America/Chicago"
)

# raw XML
url <- constructNWISURL(
  service = "dv", siteNumber = "02319300", parameterCd = "00060",
  startDate = "2014-01-01", endDate = "2014-01-01"
)
raw <- httr::content(httr::GET(url), as = "raw")
rawParsed <- importWaterML1(raw)

filePath <- system.file("extdata", package = "dataRetrieval")
fileName <- "WaterML1Example.xml"
fullPath <- file.path(filePath, fileName)
importFile <- importWaterML1(fullPath, TRUE)
```

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importWaterML2 *Parse the WaterML2 timeseries portion of a waterML2 file*

Description

Returns data frame columns of all information with each time series measurement; Anything defined as a default, is returned as an attribute of that data frame.

Usage

```
importWaterML2(input, asDateTime = FALSE, tz = "UTC")
```

Arguments

input	XML with only the wml2:MeasurementTimeseries node and children
asDateTime	logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, character
tz	character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default is an empty quote, which converts the datetimes to UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided time zone offset). Possible values are "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla"

Examples

```
baseURL <- "https://waterservices.usgs.gov/nwis/dv/?format=waterml,2.0"
URL <- paste(baseURL, "sites=01646500",
  "startDT=2014-09-01",
  "endDT=2014-09-08",
  "statCd=00003",
  "parameterCd=00060",
  sep = "&"
)

timesereies <- importWaterML2(URL, asDateTime = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

---

importWQP   *Basic Water Quality Portal Data parser*

Description

Imports data from the Water Quality Portal based on a specified url.

Usage

```
importWQP(obs_url, zip = TRUE, tz = "UTC", csv = FALSE, convertType = TRUE)
```

Arguments

obs_url	character URL to Water Quality Portal#' @keywords data import USGS web service
zip	logical to request data via downloading zip file. Default set to TRUE.
tz	character to set timezone attribute of datetime. Default is UTC (properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column). Possible values include "America/New_York","America/Chicago", "America/Denver","America/Los_An "America/Anchorage","America/Honolulu","America/Jamaica","America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla"

csv	logical. Is the data coming back with a csv or tsv format. Default is FALSE. Currently, the summary service does not support tsv, for other services tsv is the safer choice.
convertType	logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character.

Value

retval dataframe raw data returned from the Water Quality Portal. Additionally, a POSIXct dateTime column is supplied for start and end times, and converted to UTC. See https://www.waterqualitydata.us/portal_userguide/ for more information.

See Also

[readWQPdata](#), [readWQPqw](#), [whatWQPsites](#)

Examples

```
# These examples require an internet connection to run

## Examples take longer than 5 seconds:

rawSampleURL <- constructWQPURL("USGS-01594440", "01075", "", "")

rawSample <- importWQP(rawSampleURL)

rawSampleURL_NoZip <- constructWQPURL("USGS-01594440", "01075", "", "", zip = FALSE)

rawSampleURL_NoZip_char <- importWQP(rawSampleURL_NoZip, zip = FALSE, convertType = FALSE)

rawSample2 <- importWQP(rawSampleURL_NoZip, zip = FALSE)

STORETex <- constructWQPURL("WIDNR_WQX-10032762", "Specific conductance", "", "")

STORETdata <- importWQP(STORETex)

STORETdata_char <- importWQP(STORETex, convertType = FALSE)
```

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is_dataRetrieval_user   *Is this a dataRetrieval user*

Description

Reveals if this is a user or not

Usage

```
is_dataRetrieval_user()
```

Examples

```
is_dataRetrieval_user()
```

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parameterCdFile   *List of USGS parameter codes*

Description

Complete list of USGS parameter codes as of Dec. 20, 2021.

Value

parameterData data frame with information about USGS parameters.

Name	Type	Description
parameter_cd	character	5-digit USGS parameter code
parameter_group_nm	character	USGS parameter group name
parameter_nm	character	USGS parameter name
casrn	character	Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number
srsname	character	Substance Registry Services Name
parameter_units	character	Parameter units

Examples

```
head(parameterCdFile[, 1:2])
```

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pcode_to_name   *Parameter code to characteristic name*

Description

This function is useful to fine what characteristic name, result sample fraction, unit code, and other parameters are mapped with USGS parameter codes. This information is useful for converting workflows from a more traditional NWIS water quality retrieval to a Water Quality Portal retrieval.

Usage

```
pcode_to_name(parameterCd = "all")
```

Arguments

parameterCd   character that contains the code for a character vector of 5-digit parameter codes.
                  Default is "all" which will return a complete list of parameter codes that have
                  been mapped to a characteristic name.

Value

a data frame with columns "parm_cd", "description", "characteristicname", "measureunitcode", "re-
sultsamplefraction", "resulttemperaturebasis", "resultstatisticalbasis", "resulttimebasis", "resultweight-
basis", "resultparticlesizebasis", "last_rev_dt"

Examples

```
pcodes <- c("00070", "00075", "00430", "52642")


all <- pcode_to_name()
some <- pcode_to_name(pcodes)
```

---

readNGWMNdata   *Import data from the National Groundwater Monitoring Network*
                             <https://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/>.

Description

Only water level data and site locations and names are currently available through the web service.

Usage

```
readNGWMNdata(service, ..., asDateTime = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

Arguments

service   char Service for the request - "observation" and "featureOfInterest" are imple-
              mented.

...   Other parameters to supply, namely siteNumbers or bbox

asDateTime   logical if TRUE, will convert times to POSIXct format. Currently defaults to
              FALSE since time zone information is not included.

tz   character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts
              the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based
              on the data's provided time zone offset. Possible values to provide are "Amer-
              ica/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles",
              "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-
              ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "Amer-
              ica/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more in-
              formation on time zones.

Examples

```
# one site
site <- "USGS.430427089284901"
#oneSite <- readNGWMNdata(siteNumbers = site, service = "observation")

# multiple sites
sites <- c("USGS.272838082142201", "USGS.404159100494601", "USGS.401216080362703")
# Very slow:
# multiSiteData <- readNGWMNdata(siteNumbers = sites, service = "observation")
# attributes(multiSiteData)

# non-USGS site
# accepts colon or period between agency and ID
site <- "MBMG:702934"
# data <- readNGWMNdata(siteNumbers = site, service = "featureOfInterest")

# bounding box
# bboxSites <- readNGWMNdata(service = "featureOfInterest", bbox = c(30, -102, 31, 99))
# retrieve  sites.  Set asDateTime to false since one site has an invalid date
# Very slow:
# bboxData <- readNGWMNdata(service = "observation", siteNumbers = bboxSites$site[1:3],
#                            asDateTime = FALSE)
```

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readNGWMNlevels | *Retrieve groundwater levels from the National Ground Water Monitoring Network* https://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/.

Description

Retrieve groundwater levels from the National Ground Water Monitoring Network https://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/.

Usage

```
readNGWMNlevels(siteNumbers, asDateTime = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

Arguments

siteNumbers	character Vector of feature IDs formatted with agency code and site number separated by a period or semicolon, e.g. USGS.404159100494601.
asDateTime	logical Should dates and times be converted to date/time objects, or returned as character? Defaults to TRUE. Must be set to FALSE if a site contains non-standard dates.

tz   character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts
                     the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based
                     on the data's provided time zone offset. Possible values to provide are "Amer-
                     ica/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles",
                     "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-
                     ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "Amer-
                     ica/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more in-
                     formation on time zones.

Examples

```
# one site
site <- "USGS.430427089284901"
# oneSite <- readNGWMNlevels(siteNumbers = site)

# multiple sites
sites <- c("USGS:272838082142201", "USGS:404159100494601", "USGS:401216080362703")
# multiSiteData <- readNGWMNlevels(sites)

# non-USGS site
site <- "MBMG.103306"
# data <- readNGWMNlevels(siteNumbers = site, asDateTime = FALSE)

# site with no data returns empty data frame
noDataSite <- "UTGS.401544112060301"
# noDataSite <- readNGWMNlevels(siteNumbers = noDataSite)
```

---

readNGWMNsites   *Retrieve site data from the National Ground Water Monitoring Net-*
                        work https://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/.

Description

Retrieve site data from the National Ground Water Monitoring Network https://cida.usgs.gov/ngwmn/.

Usage

```
readNGWMNsites(siteNumbers)
```

Arguments

siteNumbers   character Vector of feature IDs formatted with agency code and site number
                     separated by a period or semicolon, e.g. USGS.404159100494601.

Value

A data frame the following columns: #'

Name	Type	Description
site	char	Site FID
description	char	Site description
dec_lat_va, dec_lon_va	numeric	Site latitude and longitude

Examples

```
# one site
site <- "USGS.430427089284901"
#oneSite <- readNGWMNsites(siteNumbers = site)

# non-USGS site
site <- "MBMG.103306"
#siteInfo <- readNGWMNsites(siteNumbers = site)
```

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readNWISdata   *General Data Import from NWIS*

Description

Returns data from the NWIS web service. Arguments to the function should be based on https:
//waterservices.usgs.gov service calls. See examples below for ideas of constructing queries.

Usage

```
readNWISdata(..., asDateTime = TRUE, convertType = TRUE, tz = "UTC")
```

Arguments

...	see https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/ for a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied. One important argument to include is "service". Possible values are "iv" (for instantaneous), "dv" (for daily values), "gwlevels" (for groundwater levels), "site" (for site service), "measurement", and "stat" (for statistics service). Note: "measurement" calls go to: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/usa/nwis for data requests, and use different call requests schemes. The statistics service has a limited selection of arguments (see https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/).
asDateTime	logical, if TRUE returns date and time as POSIXct, if FALSE, Date

convertType	logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character
tz	character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight savings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on time zones.

Details

This function requires users to create their own arguments based on the NWIS web services. It is a more complicated function to use compared to other NWIS functions such as readNWISdv, readNWISuv, readNWISgwl, etc. However, this function adds a lot of flexibility to the possible queries. This function will also behave exactly as NWIS when it comes to date queries. NWIS by default will only return the latest value for the daily and instantaneous services. So if you do not provide a starting date, you will only get back the latest value. If you want the full period of record, you can use "startDate = '1900-01-01'". Other options for dates are periods, such as "period = 'P7D'" which translates to a period of 7 days. For period, use only a positive ISO-8601 duration format, which should not be expressed in periods of less than a day, or in increments of months M or years Y. period returns data for a site generally from now to a time in the past. Note that when period is used all data up to the most recent value are returned.

Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site	character	The USGS site number
dateTime	POSIXct	The date and time (if applicable) of the measurement, converted to UTC for unit value data. R only al
tz_cd	character	The time zone code for dateTime column
code	character	Any codes that qualify the corresponding value
value	numeric	The numeric value for the parameter

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form X_D_P_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters
statisticInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data

queryTime   POSIXct   The time the data was returned

See Also

[renameNWISColumns](), [importWaterML1](), [importRDB1]()

Examples

```
# Examples not run for time considerations

dataTemp <- readNWISdata(stateCd = "OH", parameterCd = "00010", service = "dv")
instFlow <- readNWISdata(
  sites = "05114000", service = "iv",
  parameterCd = "00060",
  startDate = "2014-05-01T00:00Z", endDate = "2014-05-01T12:00Z"
)

instFlowCDT <- readNWISdata(
  sites = "05114000", service = "iv",
  parameterCd = "00060",
  startDate = "2014-05-01T00:00", endDate = "2014-05-01T12:00",
  tz = "America/Chicago"
)

# Empty:
multiSite <- readNWISdata(
  sites = c("04025000", "04072150"), service = "iv",
  parameterCd = "00010"
)
# Not empty:
multiSite <- readNWISdata(
  sites = c("04025500", "040263491"),
  service = "iv", parameterCd = "00060"
)
bBoxEx <- readNWISdata(bBox = c(-83, 36.5, -81, 38.5), parameterCd = "00010")

startDate <- as.Date("2013-10-01")
endDate <- as.Date("2014-09-30")
waterYear <- readNWISdata(
  bBox = c(-83, 36.5, -82.5, 36.75),
  parameterCd = "00010",
  service = "dv",
  startDate = startDate,
  endDate = endDate
)

siteInfo <- readNWISdata(
  stateCd = "WI", parameterCd = "00010",
  hasDataTypeCd = "iv", service = "site"
```

```
)
temp <- readNWISdata(
  bBox = c(-83, 36.5, -82.5, 36.75), parameterCd = "00010", service = "site",
  seriesCatalogOutput = TRUE
)
wiGWL <- readNWISdata(stateCd = "WI", service = "gwlevels")
meas <- readNWISdata(
  state_cd = "WI", service = "measurements",
  format = "rdb_expanded"
)

waterYearStat <- readNWISdata(
  site = c("01646500"),
  service = "stat",
  statReportType = "annual",
  statYearType = "water",
  missingData = "on"
)
monthlyStat <- readNWISdata(
  site = c("01646500"),
  service = "stat",
  statReportType = "monthly"
)

dailyStat <- readNWISdata(
  site = c("01646500"),
  service = "stat",
  statReportType = "daily",
  statType = c("p25", "p50", "p75", "min", "max"),
  parameterCd = "00060"
)

arg.list <- list(
  site = "03111548",
  statReportType = "daily",
  statType = c("p25", "p50", "p75", "min", "max"),
  parameterCd = "00060"
)
allDailyStats_2 <- readNWISdata(arg.list, service = "stat")

# use county names to get data
dailyStaffordVA <- readNWISdata(
  stateCd = "Virginia",
  countyCd = "Stafford",
  parameterCd = "00060",
  startDate = "2015-01-01",
  endDate = "2015-01-30"
)
va_counties <- c("51001", "51003", "51005", "51007", "51009", "51011", "51013", "51015")
va_counties_data <- readNWISdata(
  startDate = "2015-01-01", endDate = "2015-12-31",
  parameterCd = "00060", countycode = va_counties
)
```

```
site_id <- "01594440"
rating_curve <- readNWISdata(service = "rating", site_no = site_id, file_type = "base")
all_sites_base <- readNWISdata(service = "rating", file_type = "base")
all_sites_core <- readNWISdata(service = "rating", file_type = "corr")
all_sites_exsa <- readNWISdata(service = "rating", file_type = "exsa")
all_sites_24hrs <- readNWISdata(service = "rating", file_type = "exsa", period = 24)

peak_data <- readNWISdata(
  service = "peak",
  site_no = c("01594440", "040851325"),
  range_selection = "data_range"
)

peak_data <- readNWISdata(
  service = "peak",
  state_cd = "PA"
)

peak_data <- readNWISdata(
  service = "peak",
  huc2_cd = "20"
)
```

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readNWISdv   *Daily Value USGS NWIS Data Retrieval*

Description

Imports data from NWIS web service. This function gets the data from here: https://waterservices.usgs.gov/

Usage

```
readNWISdv(
  siteNumbers,
  parameterCd,
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  statCd = "00003"
)
```

Arguments

siteNumbers   character USGS site number. This is usually an 8 digit number. Multiple sites
                can be requested with a character vector.

parameterCd   character of USGS parameter code(s). This is usually an 5 digit number.

startDate	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.
endDate	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.
statCd	character USGS statistic code. This is usually 5 digits. Daily mean (00003) is the default.

Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site	character	The USGS site number
Date	Date	The date of the value
code	character	Any codes that qualify the corresponding value
value	numeric	The numeric value for the parameter

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form X_D_P_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters
statisticInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

See Also

renameNWISColumns, importWaterML1

Examples

```
site_id <- "04085427"
startDate <- "2012-01-01"
endDate <- "2012-06-30"
pCode <- "00060"

rawDailyQ <- readNWISdv(site_id, pCode, startDate, endDate)
rawDailyQAndTempMeanMax <- readNWISdv(site_id, c("00010", "00060"),
  startDate, endDate,
```

```
    statCd = c("00001", "00003")
)
rawDailyQAndTempMeanMax <- renameNWISColumns(rawDailyQAndTempMeanMax)
rawDailyMultiSites <- readNWISdv(c("01491000", "01645000"), c("00010", "00060"),
  startDate, endDate,
  statCd = c("00001", "00003")
)
# Site with no data:
x <- readNWISdv("10258500", "00060", "2014-09-08", "2014-09-14")
names(attributes(x))
attr(x, "siteInfo")
attr(x, "variableInfo")

site <- "05212700"
notActive <- readNWISdv(site, "00060", "2014-01-01", "2014-01-07")
```

---

readNWISgwl   *Groundwater level measurements retrieval from USGS (NWIS)*

Description

Reads groundwater level measurements from NWISweb. Mixed date/times come back from the service depending on the year that the data was collected. See https://waterdata.usgs.gov/usa/nwis/gw for details about groundwater. By default the returned dates are converted to date objects, unless convertType is specified as FALSE. Sites with non-standard date formats (i.e. lacking a day) can be affected (see examples). See https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/groundwater-levels/ for more information.

Usage

```
readNWISgwl(
  siteNumbers,
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  parameterCd = NA,
  convertType = TRUE,
  tz = "UTC"
)
```

Arguments

siteNumbers   character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number

startDate   character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is
               "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.

endDate   character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is
               "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.

parameterCd   character USGS parameter code. This is usually an 5 digit number. Default is
                  "".

convertType   logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates,
                  datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is re-
                  turned as a character

tz   character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts
                  the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based
                  on the data's provided tz_cd column. Possible values to provide are "Amer-
                  ica/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles",
                  "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight sav-
                  ings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "Amer-
                  ica/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more in-
                  formation on time zones.

Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
site_tp_cd	character	Site type code
lev_dt	Date	Date level measured
lev_tm	character	Time level measured
lev_tz_cd	character	Time datum
lev_va	numeric	Water level value in feet below land surface
sl_lev_va	numeric	Water level value in feet above specific vertical datum
lev_status_cd	character	The status of the site at the time the water level was measured
lev_agency_cd	character	The agency code of the person measuring the water level

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites

See Also

constructNWISURL, importRDB1

Examples

```
site_id <- "434400121275801"
```

```
data <- readNWISgwl(site_id)
sites <- c("434400121275801", "375907091432201")
data2 <- readNWISgwl(site_id, "", "")
data3 <- readNWISgwl("420125073193001", "", "")
# handling of data where date has no day
data4 <- readNWISgwl("425957088141001", startDate = "1980-01-01")

data5 <- readNWISgwl("263819081585801", parameterCd = "72019")
```

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readNWISmeas   *Surface-water measurement data retrieval from USGS (NWIS)*

Description

Reads surface-water measurement data from NWISweb. Data is retrieved from https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis. See https://waterdata.usgs.gov/usa/nwis/sw for details about surface water.

Usage

```
readNWISmeas(
  siteNumbers,
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  tz = "UTC",
  expanded = FALSE,
  convertType = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

siteNumbers	character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number
startDate	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.
endDate	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.
tz	character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight savings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on time zones.

expanded	logical. Whether or not (TRUE or FALSE) to call the expanded data.
convertType	logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character

Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
measurement_dt	POSIXct	The date and time (in POSIXct) of the measurement. Unless specified with the tz parameter, th
tz_cd	character	The time zone code for the measurement_dt column

See https://waterdata.usgs.gov/usa/nwis/sw for details about surface water, and https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/help?output_formats_help for help on the columns and codes.

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
tz_cd_reported	The originally reported time zone	

See Also

constructNWISURL, importRDB1

Examples

```
site_ids <- c("01594440", "040851325")

data <- readNWISmeas(site_ids)
Meas05316840 <- readNWISmeas("05316840")
Meas05316840.ex <- readNWISmeas("05316840", expanded = TRUE)
Meas07227500.ex <- readNWISmeas("07227500", expanded = TRUE)
Meas07227500.exRaw <- readNWISmeas("07227500", expanded = TRUE, convertType = FALSE)
```

| readNWISpCode | *USGS Parameter Data Retrieval* |

Description

Imports data from NWIS about meaured parameter based on user-supplied parameter code or codes. This function gets the data from here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/pmcodes

Usage

```
readNWISpCode(parameterCd)
```

Arguments

parameterCd   character of USGS parameter codes (or multiple parameter codes). These are 5 digit number codes, more information can be found here: https://help.waterdata.usgs.gov/. To get a complete list of all current parameter codes in the USGS, use "all" as the input.

Value

parameterData data frame with the following information:

Name	Type	Description
parameter_cd	character	5-digit USGS parameter code
parameter_group_nm	character	USGS parameter group name
parameter_nm	character	USGS parameter name
casrn	character	Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number
srsname	character	Substance Registry Services Name
parameter_units	character	Parameter units

See Also

importRDB1

Examples

```
paramINFO <- readNWISpCode(c("01075", "00060", "00931"))
paramINFO <- readNWISpCode(c("01075", "00060", "00931", NA))

all_codes <- readNWISpCode("all")

one_extra <- readNWISpCode(c("01075", "12345"))
```

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readNWISpeak *Peak flow data from USGS (NWIS)*

Description

Reads peak flow from NWISweb. Data is retrieved from <https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis>. In some cases, the specific date of the peak data is not know. This function will default to converting complete dates to a "Date" object, and converting incomplete dates to "NA". If those incomplete dates are needed, set the 'asDateTime' argument to FALSE. No dates will be converted to R Date objects.

Usage

```
readNWISpeak(
  siteNumbers,
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  asDateTime = TRUE,
  convertType = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

siteNumbers   character USGS site number(or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number.

startDate   character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record.

endDate   character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record.

asDateTime   logical default to `TRUE`. When `TRUE`, the peak_dt column is converted to a Date object, and incomplete dates are removed. When `FALSE`, no columns are removed, but no dates are converted.

convertType   logical, defaults to `TRUE`. If `TRUE`, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character

Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
peak_dt	Date	Date of peak streamflow
peak_tm	character	Time of peak streamflow as character
peak_va	numeric	Annual peak streamflow value in cfs
peak_cd	character	Peak Discharge-Qualification codes (see `comment` for more information)

gage_ht	numeric	Gage height for the associated peak streamflow in feet
gage_ht_cd	character	Gage height qualification codes
year_last_pk	numeric	Peak streamflow reported is the highest since this year
ag_dt	Date	Date of maximum gage-height for water year (if not concurrent with peak)
ag_tm	character	Time of maximum gage-height for water year (if not concurrent with peak)
ag_gage_ht	numeric	maximum Gage height for water year in feet (if not concurrent with peak)
ag_gage_ht_cd	character	maximum Gage height code

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites

See Also

[constructNWISURL](), [importRDB1]()

Examples

```
site_ids <- c("01594440", "040851325")

data <- readNWISpeak(site_ids)
data2 <- readNWISpeak(site_ids, asDateTime = FALSE)
stations <- c("06011000")
peakdata <- readNWISpeak(stations, convertType = FALSE)
```

---

readNWISqw   *Raw Data Import for USGS NWIS QW Data*

Description

Imports data from NWIS web service. This function gets the data from here: `https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/qwdata` A list of parameter codes can be found here: `https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/pmcodes/` A list of statistic codes can be found here: `https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/help/?read_file=stat&format=table`

Usage

```
readNWISqw(
  siteNumbers,
  parameterCd,
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  expanded = TRUE,
  reshape = FALSE,
  tz = "UTC"
)
```

Arguments

siteNumbers	character of USGS site numbers. This is usually an 8 digit number
parameterCd	character that contains the code for a parameter group, or a character vector of 5-digit parameter codes. See **Details**.
startDate	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.
endDate	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.
expanded	logical defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, retrieves additional information. Expanded data includes remark_cd (remark code), result_va (result value), val_qual_tx (result value qualifier code), meth_cd (method code), dqi_cd (data-quality indicator code), rpt_lev_va (reporting level), and rpt_lev_cd (reporting level type). If FALSE, only returns remark_cd (remark code) and result_va (result value). Expanded = FALSE will not give sufficient information for unbiased statistical analysis.
reshape	logical, reshape the expanded data. If TRUE, then return a wide data frame with all water-quality in a single row for each sample. If FALSE (default), then return a long data frame with each water-quality result in a single row. This argument is only applicable to expanded data. Data requested using expanded=FALSE is always returned in the wide format.
tz	character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight savings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on time zones.

Details

Valid parameter code groups are "All" or group codes:

Code	Description
INF	Information
PHY	Physical
INM	Inorganics, Major, Metals
INN	Inorganics, Major, Non-metals
NUT	Nutrient
MBI	Microbiological
BIO	Biological
IMN	Inorganics, Minor, Non-metals
IMM	Inorganics, Minor, Metals
TOX	Toxicity
OPE	Organics, pesticide
OPC	Organics, PCBs
OOT	Organics, other
RAD	Radiochemistry
SED	Sediment
POP	Population/community
OTH	Other
HAB	Habitat
ISO	Stable Isotopes

If more than one parameter group is requested, only sites that data for all requested groups are returned.

Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
sample_dt	Date	The date the sample was collected
sample_tm	character	The reported sample collection time
startDateTime	POSIXct	Combining sample_dt and sample_tm, a date/time column is created, and converted into UTC (ur
endDateTime	POSIXct	If any sample_end_dt and sample_end_dt exist, this column is created similar to startDateTime

Further columns will be included depending on the requested output format (expanded = TRUE or FALSE). Columns that end in "_reported" are the originally reported timezones, but the "tz_cd" column defines the timezone of any POSIXct columns.

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file
siteInfo	data frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites

variableInfo	data frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters

See Also

readWQPdata, whatWQPsites, readWQPqw, constructNWISURL

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readNWISrating	*Rating table for an active USGS streamgage retrieval*

Description

Reads current rating table for an active USGS streamgage from NWISweb. Data is retrieved from <https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis>.

Usage

```
readNWISrating(siteNumber, type = "base", convertType = TRUE)
```

Arguments

siteNumber	character USGS site number. This is usually an 8 digit number
type	character can be "base", "corr", or "exsa"
convertType	logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character

Value

A data frame. If type is "base, " then the columns are INDEP, typically the gage height, in feet; DEP, typically the streamflow, in cubic feet per second; and STOR, where "*" indicates that the pair are a fixed point of the rating curve. If type is "exsa, " then an additional column, SHIFT, is included that indicates the current shift in the rating for that value of INDEP. If type is "corr, " then the columns are INDEP, typically the gage height, in feet; CORR, the correction for that value; and CORRINDEP, the corrected value for CORR.

If type is "base, " then the data frame has an attribute called "RATING" that describes the rating curve is included.

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
RATING	character	Rating information

Note

Not all active USGS streamgages have traditional rating curves that relate flow to stage.

See Also

[constructNWISURL](), [importRDB1]()

Examples

```
site_id <- "01594440"

data <- readNWISrating(site_id, "base")
attr(data, "RATING")
```

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readNWISsite   *USGS Site File Data Retrieval*

Description

Imports data from USGS site file site. This function gets data from here: https://waterservices.usgs.gov/

Usage

```
readNWISsite(siteNumbers)
```

Arguments

siteNumbers   character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number

Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
station_nm	character	Site name
site_tp_cd	character	Site type
lat_va	numeric	DMS latitude
long_va	numeric	DMS longitude
dec_lat_va	numeric	Decimal latitude
dec_long_va	numeric	Decimal longitude
coord_meth_cd	character	Latitude-longitude method
coord_acy_cd	character	Latitude-longitude accuracy

coord_datum_cd	character	Latitude-longitude datum
dec_coord_datum_cd	character	Decimal Latitude-longitude datum
district_cd	character	District code
state_cd	character	State code
county_cd	character	County code
country_cd	character	Country code
land_net_ds	character	Land net location description
map_nm	character	Name of location map
map_scale_fc	character	Scale of location map
alt_va	numeric	Altitude of Gage/land surface
alt_meth_cd	character	Method altitude determined
alt_acy_va	numeric	Altitude accuracy
alt_datum_cd	character	Altitude datum
huc_cd	character	Hydrologic unit code
basin_cd	character	Drainage basin code
topo_cd	character	Topographic setting code
instruments_cd	character	Flags for instruments at site
construction_dt	character	Date of first construction
inventory_dt	character	Date site established or inventoried
drain_area_va	numeric	Drainage area
contrib_drain_area_va	numeric	Contributing drainage area
tz_cd	character	Time Zone abbreviation
local_time_fg	character	Site honors Daylight Savings Time
reliability_cd	character	Data reliability code
gw_file_cd	character	Data-other GW files
nat_aqfr_cd	character	National aquifer code
aqfr_cd	character	Local aquifer code
aqfr_type_cd	character	Local aquifer type code
well_depth_va	numeric	Well depth
hole_depth_va	numeric	Hole depth
depth_src_cd	character	Source of depth data
project_no	character	Project number

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file

Examples

```
siteINFO <- readNWISsite("05114000")
siteINFOMulti <- readNWISsite(c("05114000", "09423350"))
```

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readNWISstat   *Site statistics retrieval from USGS (NWIS)*

Description

Retrieves site statistics from the USGS Statistics Web Service beta. See https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/statistics/ for more information.

Usage

```
readNWISstat(
  siteNumbers,
  parameterCd,
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  convertType = TRUE,
  statReportType = "daily",
  statType = "mean"
)
```

Arguments

siteNumbers	character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number.
parameterCd	character USGS parameter code. This is usually a 5 digit number.
startDate	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY, YYYY-MM, or YYYY-MM-DD. Dates cannot be more specific than the statReportType, i.e. startDate for monthly statReportTypes cannot include days, and annual statReportTypes cannot include days or months. Months and days are optional for the daily statReportType. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. For daily data, this indicates the start of the period the statistics will be computed over.
endDate	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY, YYYY-MM, or YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. For daily data, this indicates the end of the period the statistics will be computed over. The same restrictions as startDate apply.
convertType	logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to numerics based on a standard algorithm. Years, months, and days (if appliccable) are also returned as numerics in separate columns. If convertType is false, everything is returned as a character.

statReportType character time division for statistics: daily, monthly, or annual. Default is daily. Note that daily provides statistics for each calendar day over the specified range of water years, i.e. no more than 366 data points will be returned for each site/parameter. Use readNWISdata or readNWISdv for daily averages. Also note that 'annual' returns statistics for the calendar year. Use readNWISdata for water years. Monthly and yearly provide statistics for each month and year within the range indivually.

statType character type(s) of statistics to output for daily values. Default is mean, which is the only option for monthly and yearly report types. See the statistics service documentation at https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/statistics/ for a full list of codes.

Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency repor
site_no	character	The USGS site number
parameter_cd	character	The USGS parameter code
Other columns will be present depending on statReportType and statType		

See Also

constructNWISURL, importRDB1

Examples

```
x1 <- readNWISstat(
  siteNumbers = c("02319394"),
  parameterCd = c("00060"),
  statReportType = "annual"
)

# all the annual mean discharge data for two sites
x2 <- readNWISstat(
  siteNumbers = c("02319394", "02171500"),
  parameterCd = c("00010", "00060"),
  statReportType = "annual"
)

# Request p25, p75, and mean values for temperature and discharge for the 2000s
# Note that p25 and p75 were not available for temperature, and return NAs
x <- readNWISstat(
  siteNumbers = c("02171500"),
  parameterCd = c("00010", "00060"),
  statReportType = "daily",
  statType = c("mean", "median"),
  startDate = "2000", endDate = "2010"
```

```
)
```

---

readNWISuse   *Water use data retrieval from USGS (NWIS)*

Description

Retrieves water use data from USGS Water Use Data for the Nation. See https://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/wu for more information. All available use categories for the supplied arguments are retrieved.

Usage

```
readNWISuse(
  stateCd,
  countyCd,
  years = "ALL",
  categories = "ALL",
  convertType = TRUE,
  transform = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

stateCd   could be character (full name, abbreviation, id), or numeric (id). Only one is accepted per query.

countyCd   could be character (name, with or without "County", or "ALL"), numeric (id), or NULL, which will return state or national data depending on the stateCd argument. "ALL" may also be supplied, which will return data for every county in a state. Can be a vector of counties in the same state.

years   integer Years for data retrieval. Must be years ending in 0 or 5. Default is all available years.

categories   character categories of water use. Defaults to "ALL". Specific categories must be supplied as two- letter abbreviations as seen in the URL when using the NWIS water use web interface. Note that there are different codes for national and state level data.

convertType   logical defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to numerics based on a standard algorithm. Years, months, and days (if appliccable) are also returned as numerics in separate columns. If convertType is false, everything is returned as a character.

transform   logical only intended for use with national data. Defaults to FALSE, with data being returned as presented by the web service. If TRUE, data will be transformed and returned with column names, which will reformat national data to be similar to state data.

Value

A data frame with at least the year of record, and all available statistics for the given geographic parameters. County and state fields will be included as appropriate.

Examples

```
# All data for a county
allegheny <- readNWISuse(stateCd = "Pennsylvania", countyCd = "Allegheny")

# Data for an entire state for certain years
ohio <- readNWISuse(years = c(2000, 2005, 2010), stateCd = "OH", countyCd = NULL)

# Data for an entire state, county by county
pr <- readNWISuse(years = c(2000, 2005, 2010), stateCd = "PR", countyCd = "ALL")

# All national-scale data, transforming data frame to named columns from named rows
national <- readNWISuse(stateCd = NULL, countyCd = NULL, transform = TRUE)

# Washington, DC data
dc <- readNWISuse(stateCd = "DC", countyCd = NULL)

# data for multiple counties, with different input formatting
paData <- readNWISuse(stateCd = "42", countyCd = c("Allegheny County", "BUTLER", 1, "031"))

# retrieving two specific categories for an entire state
ks <- readNWISuse(stateCd = "KS", countyCd = NULL, categories = c("IT", "LI"))
```

---

readNWISuv *Instantaneous value data retrieval from USGS (NWIS)*

Description

Imports data from NWIS web service. This function gets the data from here: https://waterservices.usgs.gov/ A list of parameter codes can be found here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/pmcodes/ A list of statistic codes can be found here: https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/help/?read_file=stat&format=table. More information on the web service can be found here: https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/instantaneous-values/.

Usage

```
readNWISuv(siteNumbers, parameterCd, startDate = "", endDate = "", tz = "UTC")
```

Arguments

siteNumbers	character USGS site number (or multiple sites). This is usually an 8 digit number
parameterCd	character USGS parameter code. This is usually an 5 digit number.
startDate	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. Simple date arguments are specified in local time. See more information here: https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/instantaneous-values/.
endDate	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. Simple date arguments are specified in local time. See more information here: https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/instantaneous-values/.
tz	character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New_York", "America/Chicago", "America/Denver", "America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight savings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica", "America/Managua", "America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on time zones.

Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
dateTime	POSIXct	The date and time of the value converted to UTC
tz_cd	character	The time zone code for dateTime
code	character	Any codes that qualify the corresponding value
value	numeric	The numeric value for the parameter

Note that code and value are repeated for the parameters requested. The names are of the form: X_D_P_S, where X is literal, D is an option description of the parameter, P is the parameter code, and S is the statistic code (if applicable).

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters
statisticInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested statistics on the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

See Also

renameNWISColumns, importWaterML1

Examples

```
site_id <- "05114000"
parameterCd <- "00060"
startDate <- "2014-10-10"
endDate <- "2014-10-10"


rawData <- readNWISuv(site_id, parameterCd, startDate, endDate)

rawData_today <- readNWISuv(site_id, parameterCd, Sys.Date(), Sys.Date())

timeZoneChange <- readNWISuv(
  c("04024430", "04024000"), parameterCd,
  "2013-11-03", "2013-11-03"
)

centralTime <- readNWISuv(site_id, parameterCd,
  "2014-10-10T12:00", "2014-10-10T23:59",
  tz = "America/Chicago"
)

# Adding 'Z' to the time indicates to the web service to call the data with UTC time:
GMTdata <- readNWISuv(
  site_id, parameterCd,
  "2014-10-10T00:00Z", "2014-10-10T23:59Z"
)
```

---

readWQPdata *General Data Import from Water Quality Portal*

Description

Imports data from Water Quality Portal web service. This function gets the data from here: https://www.waterqualitydata.us. because it allows for other agencies rather than the USGS.

Usage

```
readWQPdata(
  ...,
  querySummary = FALSE,
  tz = "UTC",
  ignore_attributes = FALSE,
```

```
    convertType = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

`...`	see https://www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices_documentation for a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied. For more information see the above description for this help file. If no "service" argument is supplied, it will default to "Result". One way to figure out how to construct a WQP query is to go to the "Advanced" form in the Water Quality Portal: https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#mimeType=csv&providers=NWIS&providers=STORET Use the form to discover what parameters are available. Once the query is set in the form, scroll down to the "Query URL". You will see the parameters after "https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#". For example, if you chose "Nutrient" in the Characteristic Group dropdown, you will see characteristicType=Nutrient in the Query URL. The corresponding argument for dataRetrieval is characteristicType = "Nutrient". dataRetrieval users do not need to include mimeType, zip, and providers is optional (these arguments are picked automatically).
`querySummary`	logical to only return the number of records and unique sites that will be returned from this query.
`tz`	character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data's provided tz_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New_York","America/Chicago", "America/Denver","America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight savings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica","America/Managua","America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also `OlsonNames()` for more information on time zones.
`ignore_attributes`	logical to choose to ignore fetching site and parameter attributes. Default is `FALSE`.
`convertType`	logical, defaults to `TRUE`. If `TRUE`, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character.

Details

This function uses ... as a query input, which can be very flexible, but also has a steeper learning curve. For a quick overview, scroll down to the Examples in this help file to see many query options.

There are currently 10 "services" provided by the Water Quality Portal:

Name	Base URL
Result (default)	"https://www.waterqualitydata.us/data/Result/search"
Station	"https://www.waterqualitydata.us/data/Station/search"
Activity	"https://www.waterqualitydata.us/data/Activity/search"
ActivityMetric	"https://www.waterqualitydata.us/data/ActivityMetric/search"
SiteSummary	"https://www.waterqualitydata.us/data/summary/monitoringLocation/search"
Project	"https://www.waterqualitydata.us/data/Project/search"

ProjectMonitoringLocationWeighting	"https://www.waterqualitydata.us/data/ProjectMonitoringLocationWeighting/search"
ResultDetectionQuantitationLimit	"https://www.waterqualitydata.us/data/ResultDetectionQuantitationLimit/search"
BiologicalMetric	"https://www.waterqualitydata.us/data/BiologicalMetric/search"
Organization	"https://www.waterqualitydata.us/data/Organization/search"

Value

A data frame, the specific columns will depend on the "service" and/or "dataProfile".

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

Examples

```
nameToUse <- "pH"
pHData <- readWQPdata(siteid = "USGS-04024315", characteristicName = nameToUse)
pHData_summary <- readWQPdata(
  bBox = c(-90.10, 42.67, -88.64, 43.35),
  characteristicName = nameToUse, querySummary = TRUE
)
startDate <- as.Date("2013-01-01")
secchi.names <- c(
  "Depth, Secchi disk depth",
  "Depth, Secchi disk depth (choice list)",
  "Secchi Reading Condition (choice list)",
  "Water transparency, Secchi disc"
)
args <- list(
  "startDateLo" = startDate,
  "startDateHi" = "2013-12-31",
  statecode = "WI",
  characteristicName = secchi.names
)

wqp.data <- readWQPdata(args)

args_2 <- list(
  "startDateLo" = startDate,
  "startDateHi" = "2013-12-31",
  statecode = "WI",
  characteristicName = secchi.names,
  querySummary = TRUE
)
```

```
wqp.summary <- readWQPdata(args_2)

arg_3 <- list(
  "startDateLo" = startDate,
  "startDateHi" = "2013-12-31"
)
arg_4 <- list(
  statecode = "WI",
  characteristicName = secchi.names
)
wqp.summary <- readWQPdata(arg_3, arg_4, querySummary = TRUE)
wqp.summary_WI <- readWQPdata(arg_3,
  statecode = "WI",
  characteristicName = secchi.names,
  querySummary = TRUE
)

# querying by county
DeWitt <- readWQPdata(
  statecode = "Illinois",
  countycode = "DeWitt",
  characteristicName = "Nitrogen"
)

# Data profiles: "Organization Data"
org_data <- readWQPdata(
  statecode = "WI",
  countycode = "Dane",
  service = "Organization"
)

# Data profiles: "Site Data Only"
site_data <- readWQPdata(
  statecode = "WI",
  countycode = "Dane",
  service = "Station"
)

# Data profiles: "Project Data"
project_data <- readWQPdata(
  statecode = "WI",
  countycode = "Dane",
  service = "Project"
)

# Data profiles: "Project Monitoring Location Weighting Data"
proj_mlwd <- readWQPdata(
  statecode = "WI",
  countycode = "Dane",
  service = "ProjectMonitoringLocationWeighting"
)
```

```
# Data profiles: "Sample Results (physical/chemical metadata)":
samp_data <- readWQPdata(
  siteid = "USGS-04024315",
  dataProfile = "resultPhysChem"
)

# Data profiles: "Sample Results (biological metadata)"
samp_bio <- readWQPdata(
  siteid = "USGS-04024315",
  dataProfile = "biological"
)

# Data profiles: "Sample Results (narrow)"
samp_narrow <- readWQPdata(
  siteid = "USGS-04024315",
  dataProfile = "narrowResult"
)

# Data profiles: "Sampling Activity"
samp_activity <- readWQPdata(
  siteid = "USGS-04024315",
  dataProfile = "activityAll"
)

# Data profile: "Sampling Activity Metrics"
act_metrics <- readWQPdata(
  statecode = "WI",
  countycode = "Dane",
  service = "ActivityMetric"
)

# Data profile: "Result Detection Quantitation Limit Data"
dl_data <- readWQPdata(
  siteid = "USGS-04024315",
  service = "ResultDetectionQuantitationLimit"
)

Phosphorus <- readWQPdata(
  statecode = "WI", countycode = "Dane",
  characteristicName = "Phosphorus",
  startDateLo = "2020-01-01",
  convertType = FALSE
)
```

readWQPqw	*Raw Data Import for Water Quality Portal*

Description

Imports data from the Water Quality Portal. This function gets the data from here: https://
www.waterqualitydata.us. There are four required input arguments: siteNumbers, parameterCd,
startDate, and endDate. parameterCd can either be a USGS 5-digit code, or a characteristic name.
The sites can be either USGS, or other Water Quality Portal offered sites. It is required to use the
'full' site name, such as 'USGS-01234567'.

Usage

```
readWQPqw(
  siteNumbers,
  parameterCd,
  startDate = "",
  endDate = "",
  tz = "UTC",
  querySummary = FALSE,
  convertType = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

siteNumbers	character site number. This needs to include the full agency code prefix.
parameterCd	vector of USGS 5-digit parameter code or characteristicNames. Leaving this blank will return all of the measured values during the specified time period.
startDate	character starting date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the earliest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.
endDate	character ending date for data retrieval in the form YYYY-MM-DD. Default is "" which indicates retrieval for the latest possible record. Date arguments are always specified in local time.
tz	character to set timezone attribute of dateTime. Default is "UTC", and converts the date times to UTC, properly accounting for daylight savings times based on the data provided tz_cd column. Possible values to provide are "America/New_York","America/Chicago", "America/Denver","America/Los_Angeles", "America/Anchorage", as well as the following which do not use daylight savings time: "America/Honolulu", "America/Jamaica","America/Managua","America/Phoenix", and "America/Metlakatla". See also OlsonNames() for more information on time zones.
querySummary	logical to look at number of records and unique sites that will be returned from this query.
convertType	logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character.

Value

A data frame derived from the default data profile.

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
siteInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested sites
variableInfo	data.frame	A data frame containing information on the requested parameters
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

See Also

[readWQPdata](#), [whatWQPsites](#), [readNWISqw](#), and [importWQP](#)

Examples

```
rawPcode <- readWQPqw("USGS-01594440", "01075", "", "")
rawCharacteristicName <- readWQPqw("WIDNR_WQX-10032762", "Specific conductance", "", "")
rawPHsites <- readWQPqw(c("USGS-05406450", "USGS-05427949", "WIDNR_WQX-133040"), "pH", "", "")
nwisEx <- readWQPqw("USGS-04024000", c("34247", "30234", "32104", "34220"), "", "2012-12-20")
nwisEx.summary <- readWQPqw("USGS-04024000", c("34247", "30234", "32104", "34220"),
  "", "2012-12-20",
  querySummary = TRUE
)

SC <- readWQPqw(siteNumbers = "USGS-05288705", parameterCd = "00300", convertType = FALSE)
```

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readWQPsummary	*Summary of Data Available from Water Quality Portal*

Description

Returns a list of sites with year-by-year information on what data is available. The function gets the data from: https://www.waterqualitydata.us. Arguments to the function should be based on https://www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices_documentation. The information returned from this function describes the available data at the WQP sites, and some metadata on the sites themselves.

Usage

```
readWQPsummary(...)
```

Arguments

...   see https://www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices_documentation for
                    a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied. One way to
                    figure out how to construct a WQP query is to go to the "Advanced" form in the
                    Water Quality Portal: https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#mimeType=csv&
                    providers=NWIS&providers=STORET Use the form to discover what parame-
                    ters are available. Once the query is set in the form, scroll down to the "Query
                    URL". You will see the parameters after "https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#".
                    For example, if you chose "Nutrient" in the Characteristic Group dropdown,
                    you will see characteristicType=Nutrient in the Query URL. The correspond-
                    ing argument for dataRetrieval is characteristicType = "Nutrient". dataRetrieval
                    users do not need to include mimeType, zip, and providers is optional (these
                    arguments are picked automatically).

Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
"Provider"	character	Providing database.
"MonitoringLocationIdentifier"	character	A designator used to describe the unique name, number, or code assi
"YearSummarized"	numeric	The year of the summary
"CharacteristicType"	character	CharacteristicType
"CharacteristicName"	character	The object, property, or substance which is evaluated or enumerated
"ActivityCount"	numeric	The number of times the location was sampled
"ResultCount"	numeric	The number of individual data results.
"LastResultSubmittedDate"	Date	Date when data was last submitted.
"OrganizationIdentifier"	character	A designator used to uniquely identify a unique business establishme
"OrganizationFormalName"	character	The legal designator (i.e. formal name) of an organization.
"MonitoringLocationName	character	MonitoringLocationName
"MonitoringLocationTypeName"	character	MonitoringLocationTypeName
"ResolvedMonitoringLocationTypeName"	character	
"HUCEightDigitCode"	character	8-digit HUC id.
"MonitoringLocationUrl"	character	URL to monitoring location.
"CountyName"	character	County of sampling location.
"StateName"	character	State of sampling location.
"MonitoringLocationLatitude"	numeric	latitude of sampling location.
"MonitoringLocationLongitude"	numeric	longitude of sampling location.

See Also

whatWQPsites whatWQPdata

Examples

```
# Summary of a single site for the last 5 years:
```

```
site_5 <- readWQPsummary(
  siteid = "USGS-07144100",
  summaryYears = 5
)

# Summary of a single site for the full period of record:
site_all <- readWQPsummary(
  siteid = "USGS-07144100",
  summaryYears = "all"
)

# Summary of the data available from streams in a single county:
dane_county_data <- readWQPsummary(
  countycode = "US:55:025",
  summaryYears = 5,
  siteType = "Stream"
)

# Summary of the data all available from lakes in a single county:
lake_sites <- readWQPsummary(
  siteType = "Lake, Reservoir, Impoundment",
  countycode = "US:55:025"
)

# Summary of the data available for the last 5 years in New Jersey:
state1 <- readWQPsummary(
  statecode = "NJ",
  summaryYears = 5,
  siteType = "Stream"
)
```

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renameNWISColumns   *renameColumns*

Description

Rename columns coming back from NWIS data retrievals. Daily and unit value columns have names derived from their data descriptor, parameter, and statistic codes. This function reads information from the header and the arguments in the call to to rename those columns.

Usage

```
renameNWISColumns(
  rawData,
  p00010 = "Wtemp",
  p00045 = "Precip",
  p00060 = "Flow",
  p00065 = "GH",
```

```
    p00095 = "SpecCond",
    p00300 = "DO",
    p00400 = "pH",
    p62611 = "GWL",
    p63680 = "Turb",
    p72019 = "WLBLS",
    ...
)
```

Arguments

rawData	the daily- or unit-values datset retrieved from NWISweb.
p00010	the base name for parameter code 00010.
p00045	the base name for parameter code 00045.
p00060	the base name for parameter code 00060.
p00065	the base name for parameter code 00065.
p00095	the base name for parameter code 00095.
p00300	the base name for parameter code 00300.
p00400	the base name for parameter code 00400.
p62611	the base name for parameter code 62611.
p63680	the base name for parameter code 63680.
p72019	the base name for parameter code 72019.
...	named arguments for the base name for any other parameter code. The form of the name must be like pXXXXX, where XXXXX is the parameter code.

Value

A dataset like data with selected columns renamed.

Note

The following statistics codes are converted by renameNWISColumns.

00000 Instantaneous Value, suffix: Inst

00001 Maximum value, suffix: Max

00002 Minimum value, suffix: Min

00003 Mean value, no suffix

00006 Sum of values, suffix: Sum

00007 Modal value, suffix: Mode

00008 Median value, suffix: Median

00012 Equivalent mean value, suffix: EqMean

00021 Tidal high-high value, suffix: HiHiTide

00022 Tidal low-high value, suffix: LoHiTide

00023 Tidal high-low value, suffix: HiLoTide

00024 Tidal low-low value, suffix: LoLoTide

See Also

[readNWISdv](#), [readNWISuv](#)

Examples

```
siteWithTwo <- "01480015"
startDate <- "2012-09-01"
endDate <- "2012-10-01"

twoResults <- readNWISdv(siteWithTwo, "00060", startDate, endDate)
names(twoResults)
renamedCols <- renameNWISColumns(twoResults)
names(renamedCols)
# Custom names:
newNames <- renameNWISColumns(twoResults, p00060 = "Discharge")
names(newNames)
```

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setAccess   *Set data endpoint*

Description

access Indicate which dataRetrieval access code you want to use options: c('public','internal')

Usage

```
setAccess(access = "public")
```

Arguments

access   code for data access. Options are: "public","internal","cooperator", or "USGS".

- "internal" represents Access=3 ...for a single water science center
- "USGS" represents Access=2 ...for all water science centers
- "cooperator" represents Access=1
- "public" represents Access=0, public access

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Examples

```
setAccess("internal")

setAccess("public")
```

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stateCd   *US State Code Lookup Table*

Description

Data originally pulled from <https://www2.census.gov/geo/docs/reference/state.txt> on April 1, 2015. On Feb. 11, 2022, the fields were updated with the file found in inst/extdata, which is used internally with NWIS retrievals.

Value

stateCd data frame.

Name	Type	Description
STATE	character	FIPS State Code
STUSAB	character	Official United States Postal Service (USPS) Code
STATE_NAME	character	State Name
STATENS	character	Geographic Names Information System Identifier (GNISID)

Examples

```
head(stateCd)
```

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stateCdLookup   *State code look up*

Description

Function to simplify finding state and state code definitions. Used in `readNWISdata` and `readWQPdata`.

Usage

```
stateCdLookup(input, outputType = "postal")
```

Arguments

input	could be character (full name, abbreviation, id), or numeric (id)
outputType	character can be "postal", "fullName", "tableIndex", or "id".

Examples

```
fullName <- stateCdLookup("wi", "fullName")
abbriev <- stateCdLookup("Wisconsin", "postal")
id <- stateCdLookup("WI", "id")
name <- stateCdLookup(55, "fullName")
index <- stateCdLookup("WI", "tableIndex")
stateCd[index, ]
stateCdLookup(c("West Virginia", "Wisconsin", 200, 55, "MN"))
```

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whatNWISdata *USGS data availability*

Description

Imports a table of available parameters, period of record, and count. See https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/ for more information.

Usage

```
whatNWISdata(..., convertType = TRUE)
```

Arguments

`...`	see https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/ for a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied.
`convertType`	logical, defaults to `TRUE`. If `TRUE`, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character

Details

This function requires users to create their own arguments based on the NWIS web services. It is a more complicated function to use compared to other NWIS functions such as [readNWISdv](#), [readNWISuv](#), etc. However, this function adds a lot of flexibility to the possible queries. If the "service" argument is included, the results will be filtered to the proper data_type_cd. This is a great function to use before a large data set, by filtering down the number of sites that have useful data.

Value

A data frame with the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
station_nm	character	Site name
site_tp_cd	character	Site type

dec_lat_va	numeric	Decimal latitude
dec_long_va	numeric	Decimal longitude
coord_acy_cd	character	Latitude-longitude accuracy
dec_coord_datum_cd	character	Decimal Latitude-longitude datum
alt_va	character	Altitude of Gage or land surface
alt_acy_va	character	Altitude accuracy
alt_datum_cd	character	Altitude datum
huc_cd	character	Hydrologic unit code
data_type_cd	character	Data type
parm_cd	character	Parameter code
stat_cd	character	Statistical code
dd_nu	character	Internal database key
loc_web_ds	character	Additional measurement description
medium_grp_cd	character	Medium group code
parm_grp_cd	character	Parameter group code
srs_id	character	SRS ID
access_cd	character	Access code
begin_date	Date	Begin date
end_date	Date	End date
count_nu	integer	Record count
parameter_group_nm	character	Parameter group name
parameter_nm	character	Parameter name
casrn	character	Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) Registry Number
srsname	character	Substance Registry Services
parameter_units	character	Parameter units

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
comment	character	Header comments from the RDB file
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

Examples

```
availableData <- whatNWISdata(siteNumber = "05114000")

# To find just unit value ('instantaneous') data:
uvData <- whatNWISdata(siteNumber = "05114000",
                       service = "uv")
uvDataMulti <- whatNWISdata(siteNumber = c("05114000", "09423350"),
                            service = c("uv", "dv"))
flowAndTemp <- whatNWISdata(
  stateCd = "WI", service = "uv",
```

```
    parameterCd = c("00060", "00010"),
    statCd = "00003"
)
sites <- whatNWISdata(stateCd = "WI",
                      parameterCd = "00060",
                      siteType = "ST",
                      service = "site")
```

---

whatNWISsites   *Site Data Import from NWIS*

Description

Returns a list of sites from the NWIS web service. This function gets the data from: https:
//waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/. Mapper format is used

Usage

```
whatNWISsites(...)
```

Arguments

...	see https://waterservices.usgs.gov/docs/site-service/ for a complete list of options. A list (or lists) can also be supplied.

Value

A data frame with at least the following columns:

Name	Type	Description
agency_cd	character	The NWIS code for the agency reporting the data
site_no	character	The USGS site number
station_nm	character	Station name
site_tp_cd	character	Site type code
dec_lat_va	numeric	Decimal latitude
dec_long_va	numeric	Decimal longitude
queryTime	POSIXct	Query time

There are also several useful attributes attached to the data frame:

Name	Type	Description
url	character	The url used to generate the data
queryTime	POSIXct	The time the data was returned

Examples

```
siteListPhos <- whatNWISsites(stateCd = "OH", parameterCd = "00665")
oneSite <- whatNWISsites(sites = "05114000")
```

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whatWQPdata   *Data Available from Water Quality Portal*

Description

Returns a list of sites from the Water Quality Portal web service. This function gets the data from: https://www.waterqualitydata.us. Arguments to the function should be based on https://www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices_documentation. The information returned from whatWQP-data describes the available data at the WQP sites, and some metadata on the sites themselves. For example, a row is returned for each individual site that fulfills this query. In that we can learn how many sampling activities and results are available for the query. It does not break those results down by any finer grain. For example, if you ask for "Nutrients" (characteristicGroup), you will not learn what specific nutrients are available at that site. For that kind of data discovery see readWQPsummary.

Usage

```
whatWQPdata(..., saveFile = tempfile(), convertType = TRUE)
```

Arguments

...	see https://www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices_documentation for a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied. One way to figure out how to construct a WQP query is to go to the "Advanced" form in the Water Quality Portal: https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#mimeType=csv&providers=NWIS&providers=STORET Use the form to discover what parameters are available. Once the query is set in the form, scroll down to the "Query URL". You will see the parameters after "https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#". For example, if you chose "Nutrient" in the Characteristic Group dropdown, you will see characteristicType=Nutrient in the Query URL. The corresponding argument for dataRetrieval is characteristicType = "Nutrient". dataRetrieval users do not need to include mimeType, zip, and providers is optional (these arguments are picked automatically).
saveFile	path to save the incoming geojson output.
convertType	logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character.

Value

A data frame based on the Water Quality Portal results.

See Also

whatWQPsites readWQPsummary readWQPdata

Examples

```
site1 <- whatWQPdata(siteid = "USGS-01594440")

type <- "Stream"
sites <- whatWQPdata(countycode = "US:55:025", siteType = type)

lakeSites <- whatWQPdata(siteType = "Lake, Reservoir, Impoundment",
                         countycode = "US:55:025")
lakeSites_chars <- whatWQPdata(
  siteType = "Lake, Reservoir, Impoundment",
  countycode = "US:55:025", convertType = FALSE)
```

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whatWQPsamples   *Site Data Import from Water Quality Portal*

Description

Returns a list of sites from the Water Quality Portal web service. This function gets the data from: https://www.waterqualitydata.us. Arguments to the function should be based on https://www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices_documentation. The return from this function returns the basic metadata on WQP sites. It is generally faster than the whatWQPdata function, but does not return information on what data was collected at the site.

Usage

```
whatWQPsamples(..., convertType = TRUE)

whatWQPmetrics(..., convertType = TRUE)

whatWQPsites(...)
```

Arguments

...	see https://www.waterqualitydata.us/webservices_documentation for a complete list of options. A list of arguments can also be supplied. One way to figure out how to construct a WQP query is to go to the "Advanced" form in the Water Quality Portal: https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#mimeType=csv&providers=NWIS&providers=STORET Use the form to discover what parameters are available. Once the query is set in the form, scroll down to the "Query URL". You will see the parameters after "https://www.waterqualitydata.us/#". For example, if you chose "Nutrient" in the Characteristic Group dropdown, you will see characteristicType=Nutrient in the Query URL. The corresponding argument for dataRetrieval is characteristicType = "Nutrient". dataRetrieval users do not need to include mimeType, zip, and providers is optional (these arguments are picked automatically).
convertType	logical, defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the function will convert the data to dates, datetimes, numerics based on a standard algorithm. If false, everything is returned as a character.

Details

The readWQPsummary function has

Value

data frame

See Also

whatWQPdata readWQPsummary

whatNWISdata

Examples

```
site1 <- whatWQPsamples(siteid = "USGS-01594440")

type <- "Stream"

sites <- whatWQPsamples(countycode = "US:55:025", siteType = type)

lakeSites_samples <- whatWQPsamples(siteType = "Lake, Reservoir, Impoundment",
                                    countycode = "US:55:025")



type <- "Stream"

sites <- whatWQPmetrics(countycode = "US:55:025", siteType = type)
lakeSites_metrics <- whatWQPmetrics(siteType = "Lake, Reservoir, Impoundment",
                                    countycode = "US:55:025")
```

```
site1 <- whatWQPsites(siteid = "USGS-01594440")

type <- "Stream"
sites <- whatWQPsites(
  countycode = "US:55:025",
  characteristicName = "Phosphorus",
  siteType = type
)
```

---

zeroPad   *Pad string with leading zeros*

Description

Function to pad a string with leading zeros. Useful for parameter codes and USGS site IDs.

Usage

```
zeroPad(x, padTo)
```

Arguments

x	character
padTo	number Final desired length of the character

Value

x character returned with leading zeros

Examples

```
pCode <- "10"
correctPCode <- zeroPad(pCode, 5)
pCodes <- c("100", "1000", "0", "12345", "1565465465465465")
correctPCodes <- zeroPad(pCodes, 5)
pCodeNA <- c(1, 2, NA)
padPCodeNA <- zeroPad(pCodeNA, 4)
```

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