Data Visualization Dashboard for Flood Disaster Management: A Review

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ABSTRACT: The use of a data visualization dashboard for decision support systems in several disasters emergency response becoming essential. In fact, the dashboard helps for disasters monitoring and providing an early warning. Thus, good development of data visualization is vital that demands a combination of relevant information, proper analysis techniques, and fitting visualization. The dashboard assists in making unpredictable incidents or disasters into nearly predicted events since it reduces the environmental impact. This paper aims to study the criteria and information needed to develop an effective dashboard for data visualization in flood disaster management.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The dashboard has become a prominent tool in this age where the data has become excessive. Entities from different industries begin to visualize the data to have a better understanding for analysis. Dashboard tools used in health [1]–[4], education [5],[6], business [7]–[9], military domains [10] and disaster management [11]. The use of dashboard brings a beneficial factor towards human and environment especially when there are disasters such as flood, drought, and pandemic. Flood event has been the highest level of disasters in the Malaysia's research community. Studies on flood disaster management dashboard [12]–[19] have been explored.

2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

The method used in the study is based on narrative review, which provides summary of literature on data visualization dashboard for flood disaster management [20]. We perform searches on related articles from several databases (IEEE and Scopus). The topic focuses on dashboard for flood disaster management and classifies according to category and information needed. The materials are gathered from articles, books and other published texts.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The development of flood disaster management dashboard requires the criteria for testing and connectivity check. In Table 1, the research papers are classifies into three that is based on their approach of using similar data, which are weather, geographic and administrative.

Table 1 The Criteria of Dashboard Developme	ent
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Research Papers	Dashboard Criteria
[12]–[19]	Use weather to produce
	prediction.
[12]–[19]	Use geographic to create
	maps of possible target or
	affected areas.
[12]–[14], [16],	Use administrative to assess
[17], [19]	civil damage.

Based on the dashboard criteria, which is the weather, geographic and administrative, findings indicate that several important information needed in developing an effective dashboard. The information is rainfall, humidity, land elevation water level, latitude, longitude and more as shown as in Table 2.

Table 2 Important information in the flood disaster management dashboard

Research Papers	Criteria	Information
[12]–[14]	Weather	Rainfall
[14]	Weather	Humidity
[13], [15],	Geographic	Land Elevation
[19] [12]–[15], [17] [19]	Geographic	Water Level
[17]–[17] [12]–[14],	Geographic	Latitude
[19] [12]–[14], [19]	Geographic	Longitude
[14], [19] [13], [16] [13], [16]	Geographic Administrative Administrative	Soil Type Employment Population

[13], [16] [13], [16]	Administrative	Age
[15], [10]	Administrative	Ownership
[13], [16]	Administrative	Car Ownership
[13], [19]	Administrative	Hospitals
[13], [19]	Administrative	Schools

4. CONCLUSION

This study concludes that the important information needed in the dashboard for flood disaster management are rainfall, land elevation, water level, latitude, and longitude, which falls under the category of weather and geographic of the dashboard criteria.

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