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SoilConservation-package

*Soil and Water Conservation.*

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Data\_Erodibility

*Erodibility dataset.*

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## Description

Dataset of physical and chemical attributes used in estimating soil erodibility.

## Usage

data(Data\_Erodibility)

**Format**

Physical and chemical attributes used in estimating soil erodibility.

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Denardin, J. E. (1990). "Erodibilidade de solo estimada por meio de parâmetros físicos e químicos". Piracicaba, ESALQ, 1990. 81p. (Tese de Doutorado). <https:...>

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**Examples**

```
data(Data_Erodibility)
head(Data_Erodibility)
```

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Data\_Rainfall\_minutes *Rainfall dataset.*

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**Description**

Sub-hourly rainfall data for the municipality of Peixe, TO, for the period January to December 2023.

**Usage**

```
data(Data_Rainfall_minutes)
```

**Format**

Data set with 22,032 observations with 3 variables, referring to precipitation from January to December 2023, in the municipality of Peixe, TO, Brazil. The columns being: date, times and rainfall.

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Cemaden (2024). Centro nacional de monitoramento e alertas de desastres naturais - <<http://www.cemaden.gov.br/apresentacao>>

**Examples**

```
data(Data_Rainfall_minutes)
head(Data_Rainfall_minutes)
```

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`Data_Rainfall_month`    *Rainfall dataset.*

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**Description**

Monthly rainfall data for the municipality of Peixe, TO, for the period from 2013 to 2023 (Source: BDMEP-INMET, 2024).

**Usage**

```
data(Data_Rainfall_month)
```

**Format**

Dataset monthly referring to rainfall in 2013 and 2023, in the municipality of Peixe, TO, Brazil.

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**References**

INMET - Instituto Nacional de Meteorologia (2018). “BDMEP - Banco de Dados Meteorológicos para Ensino e Pesquisa - Série Histórica - Dados Mensais – Precipitação (mm)”. Brasília.

**Examples**

```
data(Data_Rainfall_month)
head(Data_Rainfall_month)
```

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|               |                               |
|---------------|-------------------------------|
| Data_SoilLoss | <i>Water erosion dataset.</i> |
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**Description**

Dataset of erosivity, erodibility, topography, LULC, and support conservation practices.

**Usage**

```
data(Data_SoilLoss)
```

**Format**

Dataset of erosivity, erodibility, topography, LULC, and support conservation practices of several years.

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**Examples**

```
data(Data_SoilLoss)
head(Data_SoilLoss)
```

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|         |                                    |
|---------|------------------------------------|
| KFactor | <i>Estimates soil erodibility.</i> |
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**Description**

The function estimates the soil erodibility factor.

**Usage**

```
KFactor(df_kfactor)
```

**Arguments**

df\_kfactor      Data to be analyzed.

**Value**

kfactor          Tabulated results of the k factor.

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**Examples**

```
data(Data_Erodibility)
kfactor <- KFactor(Data_Erodibility)
round(kfactor,6) # result K factor
```

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RFactor\_calc                      *Determination the rainfall erosivity.*

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**Description**

The function calculates the rainfall erosivity factor.

**Usage**

```
RFactor_calc(data, erosive.precip = 10, equation = "WS")
```

**Arguments**

data                      Data to be analyzed.

erosive.precip      Precipitation considered erosive (default = 10).

equation              "WS" - Wischmeier and Smith (default),  
                          "BF" - Brown and Foster,  
                          "RUSLE2" - USDA-Agriculture Research Service.

**Value**

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| result | Tabulated results.  |
| record | Record of rainfall relative to 5, 10, 15, 30 or 60 minutes. |

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**References**

Brown, L.C. and Foster, G.R. (1987). Storm erosivity using idealized intensity distributions. Trans. ASAE 30, 2, 379–386. <<https://doi.org/10.2310/379-386>>.

USDA-Agricultural Research Service. (2013). Science Documentation Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation Version 2. <[https://www.ars.usda.gov/ARUserFiles/60600505/RUSLE/RUSLE2\\_Science\\_Doc.pdf](https://www.ars.usda.gov/ARUserFiles/60600505/RUSLE/RUSLE2_Science_Doc.pdf)>.

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**Examples**

```
data(Data_Rainfall_minutes)
res <- RFactor_calc(Data_Rainfall_minutes, erosive.precip = 10, equation = "WS")
res$result
```

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RFactor\_est

*Estimation the rainfall erosivity.*

---

**Description**

The function estimates the rainfall erosivity factor.

**Usage**

```
RFactor_est(data, latitude, longitude)
```

**Arguments**

|           |                      |
|-----------|----------------------|
| data      | Data to be analyzed. |
| latitude  | Latitude             |
| longitude | Longitude            |



**Value**

RFactor            Estimated rainfall erosivity.  
equation            Equation used for estimations.

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**Examples**

```
data(Data_Rainfall_month)
rfactor <- RFactor_est(Data_Rainfall_month[,2:13],
                       latitude = -12.01527777,
                       longitude = -48.544444440)
rfactor$RFactor
rfactor$equation
```

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SoilLoss

*Estimation soil losses by water erosion.*

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**Description**

The function estimates soil losses according to USLE and its revised versions (RUSLE).

**Usage**

```
SoilLoss(df_SoilLoss)
```

**Arguments**

df\_SoilLoss      Data to be analyzed.

**Value**

result.A            Tabulated results of the A (Soil loss).

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**Examples**

```
data(Data_SoilLoss)
SoilLoss <- SoilLoss(Data_SoilLoss[,2:6])
round(SoilLoss,2) # result Soil loss
```

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