

DATA COLLECTION PLAN: INSTRUCTIONS

The data collection plan outlines that data items needed to understand the current state of the process and verify success of the improvement measures after implementation.

STEPS

- In the first column, list the data items that are needed to support the project. These could include customer satisfaction data, processing times, cost data, backlog data, transaction volume, etc.
- In the second column, provide a detailed description of the data needed and what it will be used for.
- In the third column, outline the segmentation factors, or the factors that should be used to separate the data into subgroups and/or limit the data that should be provided.
- In the fourth and fifth columns, indicate who is responsible for collecting and providing the data and by when it is needed.
- In the last column, indicate the current status of the data collection process. You could use "Not Started", "In Progress", "On Hold", "Complete", or "Not Available".

EXAMPLE



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PROCESS: First Year Application Processing

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