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Combine API arguments for query

# **Description**

Take a character vector for each argument and concatenate them for API calls to Quick Stats. Arguments can be single objects or a vector and are not case sensitive.

## Usage

```
args_list(
  key = NULL,
  param = NULL,
  source_desc = NULL,
  sector_desc = NULL,
  group_desc = NULL,
  commodity_desc = NULL,
  class_desc = NULL,
  prodn_practice_desc = NULL,
  util_practice_desc = NULL,
  statisticcat_desc = NULL,
  unit_desc = NULL,
  short_desc = NULL,
  domain_desc = NULL,
  domaincat_desc = NULL,
  agg_level_desc = NULL,
  state_ansi = NULL,
  state_fips_code = NULL,
  state_alpha = NULL,
  state_name = NULL,
  asd_code = NULL,
  asd_desc = NULL,
  county_ansi = NULL,
  county_code = NULL,
  county_name = NULL,
  region_desc = NULL,
  zip_5 = NULL,
  watershed_code = NULL,
  watershed_desc = NULL,
  congr_district_code = NULL,
  country_code = NULL,
  country_name = NULL,
  location_desc = NULL,
  year = NULL,
  freq_desc = NULL,
  begin_code = NULL,
```

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end_code = NULL,
  reference_period_desc = NULL,
  week_ending = NULL,
  format = NULL,
   ...
)
```

## **Arguments**

key API key, default is to use the value stored in .Renviron which is stored from

the  ${\sf nass\_set\_key}$  function. If there is no API key stored in the environment, a

character string can be provided.

param A valid parameter value. Available names are: source\_desc, sector\_desc, group\_desc,

commodity\_desc, short\_desc, domain\_desc, domaincat\_desc, agg\_level\_desc, statisticcat\_desc, state\_name, asd\_desc, county\_name, region\_desc, zip\_5, wa-

tershed\_desc, year, freq\_desc, and reference\_period\_desc.

source\_desc "Program" - Source of data ("CENSUS" or "SURVEY"). Census program in-

cludes the Census of Ag as well as follow up projects. Survey program includes

national, state, and county surveys.

sector\_desc "Sector" - Five high level, broad categories useful to narrow down choices.

("ANIMALS & PRODUCTS", "CROPS", "DEMOGRAPHICS", "ECONOMICS",

or "ENVIRONMENTAL")

group\_desc "Group" - Subsets within sector (e.g., under sector\_desc = "CROPS", the groups

are "FIELD CROPS", "FRUIT & TREE NUTS", "HORTICULTURE", and "VEG-

ETABLES").

commodity\_desc "Commodity" - The primary subject of interest (e.g., "CORN", "CATTLE",

"LABOR", "TRACTORS", "OPERATORS").

class\_desc Generally a physical attribute (e.g., variety, size, color, gender) of the commod-

ity.

prodn\_practice\_desc

A method of production or action taken on the commodity (e.g., IRRIGATED,

ORGANIC, ON FEED).

util\_practice\_desc

Utilizations (e.g., GRAIN, FROZEN, SLAUGHTER) or marketing channels

(e.g., FRESH MARKET, PROCESSING, RETAIL).

statisticcat\_desc

"Category" - The aspect of a commodity being measured (e.g., "AREA HAR-

VESTED", "PRICE RECEIVED", "INVENTORY", "SALES").

unit\_desc The unit associated with the statistic category (e.g., ACRES, \$ / LB, HEAD, \$,

OPERATIONS).

short\_desc "Data Item" - A concatenation of six columns: commodity\_desc, class\_desc,

prodn\_practice\_desc, util\_practice\_desc, statisticcat\_desc, and unit\_desc.

domain\_desc "Domain" - Generally another characteristic of operations that produce a partic-

ular commodity (e.g., "ECONOMIC CLASS", "AREA OPERATED", "NAICS CLASSIFICATION", "SALES"). For chemical usage data, the domain describes the type of chemical applied to the commodity. The domain\_desc =

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"TOTAL" will have no further breakouts; i.e., the data value pertains completely to the short desc.

domaincat\_desc "Domain Category" - Categories or partitions within a domain (e.g., under do-

main\_desc = "SALES", domain categories include \$1,000 TO \$9,999, \$10,000

TO \$19,999, etc).

agg\_level\_desc "Geographic Level" - Aggregation level or geographic granularity of the data.

("AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT", "COUNTY", "INTERNATIONAL", "NATIONAL", "REGION : MULTI-STATE", "REGION : SUB-STATE", "STATE",

"WATERSHED", or "ZIP CODE")

state\_ansi American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standard 2-digit state codes.

state\_fips\_code

NASS 2-digit state codes; include 99 and 98 for US TOTAL and OTHER STATES,

respectively; otherwise match ANSI codes.

state\_alpha State abbreviation, 2-character alpha code.

state\_name "State" - State full name.

asd\_code NASS defined county groups, unique within a state, 2-digit ag statistics district

code.

asd\_desc "Ag District" - Ag statistics district name.

county\_ansi ANSI standard 3-digit county codes.

county\_code NASS 3-digit county codes; includes 998 for OTHER (COMBINED) COUN-

TIES and Alaska county codes; otherwise match ANSI codes.

county\_name "County" - County name.

region\_desc "Region" - NASS defined geographic entities not readily defined by other stan-

dard geographic levels. A region can be a less than a state (SUB-STATE) or a

group of states (MULTI-STATE), and may be specific to a commodity.

zip\_5 "Zip Code" - US Postal Service 5-digit zip code.

watershed\_code US Geological Survey (USGS) 8-digit Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC) for water-

sheds.

watershed\_desc "Watershed" - Name assigned to the HUC.

congr\_district\_code

US Congressional District 2-digit code.

country\_code US Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Division 4-digit country code, as of April,

2007.

country\_name Country name.

location\_desc Full description for the location dimension.

year "Year" - The numeric year of the data and can be either a character or numeric

vector. Conditional values are also possible, for example a character vector of ">=1999" of "1999<=" will give years greater than or equal to 1999. Right now the logical values can either be greater/less than or equal to with the logical at

either the beginning or end of a string with the year.

freq\_desc "Period Type" - Length of time covered ("ANNUAL", "SEASON", "MONTHLY",

"WEEKLY", "POINT IN TIME"). "MONTHLY" often covers more than one

month. "POINT IN TIME" is as of a particular day.

begin\_code If applicable, a 2-digit code corresponding to the beginning of the reference

period (e.g., for freq\_desc = MONTHLY, begin\_code ranges from 01 (January)

to 12 (December)).

end\_code If applicable, a 2-digit code corresponding to the end of the reference period

(e.g., the reference period of JAN THRU MAR will have begin\_code = 01 and

 $end\_code = 03$ ).

reference\_period\_desc

"Period" - The specific time frame, within a freq\_desc.

week\_ending Week ending date, used when freq\_desc = WEEKLY.

format Output format from API call. Defaults to CSV as it is typically the smallest

sized call. Other options are JSON and XML but these are not recommended.

XML currently not supported.

... Not used.

#### Value

A list containing arguments for Quick Stats API call

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
args_list(year = 2012,
short_desc = "AG LAND, INCL BUILDINGS - ASSET VALUE, MEASURED IN $",
county_name = c("Durham", "WAKE"),
state_name = "NORTH CAROLINA")
## End(Not run)
```

nass\_count

Get number of observations from Quick Stats query

# **Description**

Checks the number of observations that will be returned in a data request. All queries to the Quick Stats are limited to 50,000 observations. This is a helpful function in determining how to structure a data request to fit within the 50,000 limit.

## Usage

```
nass_count(
  source_desc = NULL,
  sector_desc = NULL,
  group_desc = NULL,
  commodity_desc = NULL,
  class_desc = NULL,
  prodn_practice_desc = NULL,
```

```
util_practice_desc = NULL,
  statisticcat_desc = NULL,
  unit_desc = NULL,
  short_desc = NULL,
  domain_desc = NULL,
  domaincat_desc = NULL,
  agg_level_desc = NULL,
  state_ansi = NULL,
  state_fips_code = NULL,
  state_alpha = NULL,
  state_name = NULL,
  asd_code = NULL,
  asd_desc = NULL,
  county_ansi = NULL,
  county_code = NULL,
  county_name = NULL,
  region_desc = NULL,
  zip_5 = NULL,
 watershed_code = NULL,
 watershed_desc = NULL,
  congr_district_code = NULL,
  country_code = NULL,
  country_name = NULL,
  location_desc = NULL,
 year = NULL,
  freq_desc = NULL,
  begin_code = NULL,
  end_code = NULL,
  reference_period_desc = NULL,
 week_ending = NULL,
 key = check_key(),
)
```

## **Arguments**

source_desc	"Program" - Source of data ("CENSUS" or "SURVEY"). Census program includes the Census of Ag as well as follow up projects. Survey program includes national, state, and county surveys.
sector_desc	"Sector" - Five high level, broad categories useful to narrow down choices. ("ANIMALS & PRODUCTS", "CROPS", "DEMOGRAPHICS", "ECONOMICS", or "ENVIRONMENTAL")
group_desc	"Group" - Subsets within sector (e.g., under sector_desc = "CROPS", the groups are "FIELD CROPS", "FRUIT & TREE NUTS", "HORTICULTURE", and "VEGETABLES").
commodity_desc	"Commodity" - The primary subject of interest (e.g., "CORN", "CATTLE", "LABOR", "TRACTORS", "OPERATORS").

class\_desc Generally a physical attribute (e.g., variety, size, color, gender) of the commod-

prodn\_practice\_desc

A method of production or action taken on the commodity (e.g., IRRIGATED, ORGANIC, ON FEED).

util\_practice\_desc

Utilizations (e.g., GRAIN, FROZEN, SLAUGHTER) or marketing channels (e.g., FRESH MARKET, PROCESSING, RETAIL).

statisticcat\_desc

"Category" - The aspect of a commodity being measured (e.g., "AREA HAR-VESTED", "PRICE RECEIVED", "INVENTORY", "SALES").

unit\_desc The unit associated with the statistic category (e.g., ACRES, \$ / LB, HEAD, \$, OPERATIONS).

short\_desc "Data Item" - A concatenation of six columns: commodity\_desc, class\_desc, prodn\_practice\_desc, util\_practice\_desc, statisticcat\_desc, and unit\_desc.

"Domain" - Generally another characteristic of operations that produce a particular commodity (e.g., "ECONOMIC CLASS", "AREA OPERATED", "NAICS CLASSIFICATION", "SALES"). For chemical usage data, the domain describes the type of chemical applied to the commodity. The domain\_desc = "TOTAL" will have no further breakouts; i.e., the data value pertains completely to the short desc.

domaincat\_desc "Domain Category" - Categories or partitions within a domain (e.g., under domain\_desc = "SALES", domain categories include \$1,000 TO \$9,999, \$10,000 TO \$19,999, etc).

agg\_level\_desc "Geographic Level" - Aggregation level or geographic granularity of the data.

("AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT", "COUNTY", "INTERNATIONAL", "NATIONAL", "REGION: MULTI-STATE", "REGION: SUB-STATE", "STATE", "WATERSHED", or "ZIP CODE")

state\_ansi American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standard 2-digit state codes. state\_fips\_code

NASS 2-digit state codes; include 99 and 98 for US TOTAL and OTHER STATES, respectively; otherwise match ANSI codes.

state\_alpha State abbreviation, 2-character alpha code.

state\_name "State" - State full name.

asd\_code NASS defined county groups, unique within a state, 2-digit ag statistics district code.

asd\_desc "Ag District" - Ag statistics district name.

county\_ansi ANSI standard 3-digit county codes.

county\_code NASS 3-digit county codes; includes 998 for OTHER (COMBINED) COUNTIES and Alaska county codes; otherwise match ANSI codes.

county\_name "County" - County name.

region\_desc "Region" - NASS defined geographic entities not readily defined by other standard geographic levels. A region can be a less than a state (SUB-STATE) or a group of states (MULTI-STATE), and may be specific to a commodity.

zip\_5 "Zip Code" - US Postal Service 5-digit zip code.

watershed\_code US Geological Survey (USGS) 8-digit Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC) for water-

sheds.

watershed\_desc "Watershed" - Name assigned to the HUC.

congr\_district\_code

US Congressional District 2-digit code.

country\_code US Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Division 4-digit country code, as of April,

2007.

country\_name Country name.

location\_desc Full description for the location dimension.

year "Year" - The numeric year of the data and can be either a character or numeric

vector. Conditional values are also possible, for example a character vector of ">=1999" of "1999<=" will give years greater than or equal to 1999. Right now the logical values can either be greater/less than or equal to with the logical at

either the beginning or end of a string with the year.

freq\_desc "Period Type" - Length of time covered ("ANNUAL", "SEASON", "MONTHLY",

"WEEKLY", "POINT IN TIME"). "MONTHLY" often covers more than one

month. "POINT IN TIME" is as of a particular day.

begin\_code If applicable, a 2-digit code corresponding to the beginning of the reference

period (e.g., for freq\_desc = MONTHLY, begin\_code ranges from 01 (January)

to 12 (December)).

end\_code If applicable, a 2-digit code corresponding to the end of the reference period

(e.g., the reference period of JAN THRU MAR will have begin\_code = 01 and

 $end\_code = 03$ ).

reference\_period\_desc

"Period" - The specific time frame, within a freq\_desc.

week\_ending Week ending date, used when freq\_desc = WEEKLY.

key API key, default is to use the value stored in .Renviron which is stored from

the nass\_set\_key function. If there is no API key stored in the environment, a

character string can be provided.

... Not used.

## Value

Number of observations.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Determine all the observations in NASS
nass_count()
## End(Not run)
## Not run:
```

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```
# Find the number of observations for Wake County in North Carolina
nass_count(state_name = "NORTH CAROLINA", county_name = "WAKE")
## End(Not run)
```

nass\_data

Get data from the Quick Stats query

# Description

Sends query to Quick Stats API from given parameter values. Data request is limited to 50,000 records per the API. Use nass\_count to determine number of records in query.

## **Usage**

```
nass_data(
  source_desc = NULL,
  sector_desc = NULL,
  group_desc = NULL,
  commodity_desc = NULL,
  class_desc = NULL,
  prodn_practice_desc = NULL,
  util_practice_desc = NULL,
  statisticcat_desc = NULL,
  unit_desc = NULL,
  short_desc = NULL,
  domain_desc = NULL,
  domaincat_desc = NULL,
  agg_level_desc = NULL,
  state_ansi = NULL,
  state_fips_code = NULL,
  state_alpha = NULL,
  state_name = NULL,
  asd_code = NULL,
  asd_desc = NULL,
  county_ansi = NULL,
  county_code = NULL,
  county_name = NULL,
  region_desc = NULL,
  zip_5 = NULL,
  watershed_code = NULL,
  watershed_desc = NULL,
  congr_district_code = NULL,
  country_code = NULL,
  country_name = NULL,
  location_desc = NULL,
  year = NULL,
```

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```
freq_desc = NULL,
begin_code = NULL,
end_code = NULL,
reference_period_desc = NULL,
week_ending = NULL,
key = NULL,
format = c("CSV", "JSON", "XML"),
numeric_vals = FALSE
)
```

## **Arguments**

source\_desc "Program" - Source of data ("CENSUS" or "SURVEY"). Census program in-

cludes the Census of Ag as well as follow up projects. Survey program includes

national, state, and county surveys.

sector\_desc "Sector" - Five high level, broad categories useful to narrow down choices.

("ANIMALS & PRODUCTS", "CROPS", "DEMOGRAPHICS", "ECONOMICS",

or "ENVIRONMENTAL")

group\_desc "Group" - Subsets within sector (e.g., under sector\_desc = "CROPS", the groups

are "FIELD CROPS", "FRUIT & TREE NUTS", "HORTICULTURE", and "VEG-

ETABLES").

commodity\_desc "Commodity" - The primary subject of interest (e.g., "CORN", "CATTLE",

"LABOR", "TRACTORS", "OPERATORS").

class\_desc Generally a physical attribute (e.g., variety, size, color, gender) of the commod-

ity.

prodn\_practice\_desc

A method of production or action taken on the commodity (e.g., IRRIGATED,

ORGANIC, ON FEED).

util\_practice\_desc

Utilizations (e.g., GRAIN, FROZEN, SLAUGHTER) or marketing channels

(e.g., FRESH MARKET, PROCESSING, RETAIL).

statisticcat\_desc

"Category" - The aspect of a commodity being measured (e.g., "AREA HAR-

VESTED", "PRICE RECEIVED", "INVENTORY", "SALES").

unit\_desc The unit associated with the statistic category (e.g., ACRES, \$ / LB, HEAD, \$,

OPERATIONS).

short\_desc "Data Item" - A concatenation of six columns: commodity\_desc, class\_desc,

prodn\_practice\_desc, util\_practice\_desc, statisticcat\_desc, and unit\_desc.

domain\_desc "Domain" - Generally another characteristic of operations that produce a partic-

ular commodity (e.g., "ECONOMIC CLASS", "AREA OPERATED", "NAICS CLASSIFICATION", "SALES"). For chemical usage data, the domain describes the type of chemical applied to the commodity. The domain\_desc = "TOTAL" will have no further breakouts; i.e., the data value pertains completely

to the short\_desc.

domaincat\_desc "Domain Category" - Categories or partitions within a domain (e.g., under do-

main\_desc = "SALES", domain categories include \$1,000 TO \$9,999, \$10,000

TO \$19,999, etc).

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agg\_level\_desc "Geographic Level" - Aggregation level or geographic granularity of the data.

("AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT", "COUNTY", "INTERNATIONAL", "NATIONAL", "REGION : MULTI-STATE", "REGION : SUB-STATE", "STATE",

"WATERSHED", or "ZIP CODE")

state\_ansi American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standard 2-digit state codes.

state\_fips\_code

NASS 2-digit state codes; include 99 and 98 for US TOTAL and OTHER STATES,

respectively; otherwise match ANSI codes.

state\_alpha State abbreviation, 2-character alpha code.

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code.

asd\_desc "Ag District" - Ag statistics district name.

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county\_code NASS 3-digit county codes; includes 998 for OTHER (COMBINED) COUN-

TIES and Alaska county codes; otherwise match ANSI codes.

county\_name "County" - County name.

region\_desc "Region" - NASS defined geographic entities not readily defined by other stan-

dard geographic levels. A region can be a less than a state (SUB-STATE) or a

group of states (MULTI-STATE), and may be specific to a commodity.

zip\_5 "Zip Code" - US Postal Service 5-digit zip code.

watershed\_code US Geological Survey (USGS) 8-digit Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC) for water-

sheds.

watershed\_desc "Watershed" - Name assigned to the HUC.

congr\_district\_code

US Congressional District 2-digit code.

country\_code US Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Division 4-digit country code, as of April,

2007.

country\_name Country name.

location\_desc Full description for the location dimension.

year "Year" - The numeric year of the data and can be either a character or numeric

vector. Conditional values are also possible, for example a character vector of ">=1999" of "1999<=" will give years greater than or equal to 1999. Right now the logical values can either be greater/less than or equal to with the logical at

either the beginning or end of a string with the year.

freq\_desc "Period Type" - Length of time covered ("ANNUAL", "SEASON", "MONTHLY",

"WEEKLY", "POINT IN TIME"). "MONTHLY" often covers more than one

month. "POINT IN TIME" is as of a particular day.

begin\_code If applicable, a 2-digit code corresponding to the beginning of the reference

period (e.g., for freq\_desc = MONTHLY, begin\_code ranges from 01 (January)

to 12 (December)).

end\_code If applicable, a 2-digit code corresponding to the end of the reference period

(e.g., the reference period of JAN THRU MAR will have begin\_code = 01 and

 $end\_code = 03$ ).

reference\_period\_desc

"Period" - The specific time frame, within a freq\_desc.

week\_ending Week ending date, used when freq\_desc = WEEKLY.

key API key, default is to use the value stored in .Renviron which is stored from

the nass\_set\_key function. If there is no API key stored in the environment, a

character string can be provided.

format Output format from API call. Defaults to CSV as it is typically the smallest

sized call. Other options are JSON and XML but these are not recommended.

XML currently not supported.

numeric\_vals Optional to convert the year, Value, and coefficient of variation (CV %) to nu-

merics as opposed to defaulted character values. Default is to FALSE as some Values have a suppression code. Converting to numeric will result in suppressed

values to be NA.

#### Value

A data frame containing query to API.

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Get state values in 2012 for all of the values of agricultural land
nass_data(agg_level_desc = "STATE", year = "2012",
commodity_desc = "AG LAND", domain_desc = "VALUE")

## End(Not run)

## Not run:
# Get county level values in 2012 for the specific data item
    nass_data(year = 2012, agg_level_desc = "COUNTY",
    short_desc = "AG LAND, INCL BUILDINGS - ASSET VALUE, MEASURED IN $")

## End(Not run)
```

nass\_param

Get all possible values of a parameter

## Description

All possible values of a parameter for a given query. Helps to understand the columns of data.frame from nass\_data.

# Usage

```
nass_param(
  param = NULL,
  source_desc = NULL,
  sector_desc = NULL,
  group_desc = NULL,
  commodity_desc = NULL,
  class_desc = NULL,
  prodn_practice_desc = NULL,
  util_practice_desc = NULL,
  statisticcat_desc = NULL,
  unit_desc = NULL,
  short_desc = NULL,
  domain_desc = NULL,
  domaincat_desc = NULL,
  agg_level_desc = NULL,
  state_ansi = NULL,
  state_fips_code = NULL,
  state_alpha = NULL,
  state_name = NULL,
  asd_code = NULL,
  asd_desc = NULL,
  county_ansi = NULL,
  county_code = NULL,
  county_name = NULL,
  region_desc = NULL,
  zip_5 = NULL,
  watershed_code = NULL,
  watershed_desc = NULL,
  congr_district_code = NULL,
  country_code = NULL,
  country_name = NULL,
  location_desc = NULL,
  year = NULL,
  freq_desc = NULL,
  begin_code = NULL,
  end_code = NULL,
  reference_period_desc = NULL,
 week_ending = NULL,
 key = NULL
)
```

# Arguments

param

A valid parameter value. Available names are: source\_desc, sector\_desc, group\_desc, commodity\_desc, short\_desc, domain\_desc, domaincat\_desc, agg\_level\_desc, statisticcat\_desc, state\_name, asd\_desc, county\_name, region\_desc, zip\_5, watershed\_desc, year, freq\_desc, and reference\_period\_desc.

"Program" - Source of data ("CENSUS" or "SURVEY"). Census program includes the Census of Ag as well as follow up projects. Survey program includes national, state, and county surveys.

"Sector" - Five high level, broad categories useful to narrow down choices.

("ANIMALS & PRODUCTS", "CROPS", "DEMOGRAPHICS", "ECONOMICS", or "ENVIRONMENTAL")

"Group" - Subsets within sector (e.g., under sector\_desc = "CROPS", the groups are "FIELD CROPS", "FRUIT & TREE NUTS", "HORTICULTURE", and "VEGETABLES").

commodity\_desc "Commodity" - The primary subject of interest (e.g., "CORN", "CATTLE", "LABOR", "TRACTORS", "OPERATORS").

class\_desc Generally a physical attribute (e.g., variety, size, color, gender) of the commodity.

prodn\_practice\_desc

A method of production or action taken on the commodity (e.g., IRRIGATED, ORGANIC, ON FEED).

util\_practice\_desc

Utilizations (e.g., GRAIN, FROZEN, SLAUGHTER) or marketing channels (e.g., FRESH MARKET, PROCESSING, RETAIL).

statisticcat\_desc

"Category" - The aspect of a commodity being measured (e.g., "AREA HAR-VESTED", "PRICE RECEIVED", "INVENTORY", "SALES").

unit\_desc The unit associated with the statistic category (e.g., ACRES, \$ / LB, HEAD, \$, OPERATIONS).

short\_desc "Data Item" - A concatenation of six columns: commodity\_desc, class\_desc, prodn\_practice\_desc, util\_practice\_desc, statisticcat\_desc, and unit\_desc.

"Domain" - Generally another characteristic of operations that produce a particular commodity (e.g., "ECONOMIC CLASS", "AREA OPERATED", "NAICS CLASSIFICATION", "SALES"). For chemical usage data, the domain describes the type of chemical applied to the commodity. The domain\_desc = "TOTAL" will have no further breakouts; i.e., the data value pertains completely to the short desc.

domaincat\_desc "Domain Category" - Categories or partitions within a domain (e.g., under domain\_desc = "SALES", domain categories include \$1,000 TO \$9,999, \$10,000 TO \$19,999, etc).

agg\_level\_desc "Geographic Level" - Aggregation level or geographic granularity of the data.

("AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT", "COUNTY", "INTERNATIONAL", "NATIONAL", "REGION: MULTI-STATE", "REGION: SUB-STATE", "STATE", "WATERSHED", or "ZIP CODE")

state\_ansi American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standard 2-digit state codes. state\_fips\_code

NASS 2-digit state codes; include 99 and 98 for US TOTAL and OTHER STATES, respectively; otherwise match ANSI codes.

state\_alpha State abbreviation, 2-character alpha code.

state\_name "State" - State full name.

asd\_code NASS defined county groups, unique within a state, 2-digit ag statistics district

code.

asd\_desc "Ag District" - Ag statistics district name.

county\_ansi ANSI standard 3-digit county codes.

county\_code NASS 3-digit county codes; includes 998 for OTHER (COMBINED) COUN-

TIES and Alaska county codes; otherwise match ANSI codes.

county\_name "County" - County name.

region\_desc "Region" - NASS defined geographic entities not readily defined by other stan-

dard geographic levels. A region can be a less than a state (SUB-STATE) or a

group of states (MULTI-STATE), and may be specific to a commodity.

zip\_5 "Zip Code" - US Postal Service 5-digit zip code.

watershed\_code US Geological Survey (USGS) 8-digit Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC) for water-

sheds.

watershed\_desc "Watershed" - Name assigned to the HUC.

congr\_district\_code

US Congressional District 2-digit code.

country\_code US Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Division 4-digit country code, as of April,

2007.

country\_name Country name.

location\_desc Full description for the location dimension.

year "Year" - The numeric year of the data and can be either a character or numeric

vector. Conditional values are also possible, for example a character vector of ">=1999" of "1999<=" will give years greater than or equal to 1999. Right now the logical values can either be greater/less than or equal to with the logical at

either the beginning or end of a string with the year.

freq\_desc "Period Type" - Length of time covered ("ANNUAL", "SEASON", "MONTHLY",

"WEEKLY", "POINT IN TIME"). "MONTHLY" often covers more than one

month. "POINT IN TIME" is as of a particular day.

begin\_code If applicable, a 2-digit code corresponding to the beginning of the reference

period (e.g., for freq\_desc = MONTHLY, begin\_code ranges from 01 (January)

to 12 (December)).

end\_code If applicable, a 2-digit code corresponding to the end of the reference period

(e.g., the reference period of JAN THRU MAR will have begin\_code = 01 and

 $end\_code = 03$ ).

reference\_period\_desc

"Period" - The specific time frame, within a freq\_desc.

week\_ending Week ending date, used when freq\_desc = WEEKLY.

key API key, default is to use the value stored in .Renviron which is stored from

the nass\_set\_key function. If there is no API key stored in the environment, a

character string can be provided.

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### Value

Character vector of all possible parameter values.

### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Return the program sources for data
nass_param("source_desc")

## End(Not run)

## Not run:
# Return the group categories available in the CROPS sector
nass_param("group_desc", sector_desc = "CROPS")

## End(Not run)
```

nass\_set\_key

Set a Quick Stats API key

# **Description**

This function will add your Quick Stats API key to your .Renviron file so it can be called securely without being stored in your code. After you have installed your key, it can be called any time by typing Sys.getenv("NASS\_KEY") and can be used in package functions by simply typing NASS\_KEY. If you do not have an .Renviron file, the function will create on for you. If you already have an .Renviron file, the function will append the key to your existing file, while making a backup of your original file for disaster recovery purposes.

# Usage

```
nass_set_key(key = NULL, overwrite = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

key The API key provided to you from NASS formatted in quotes. A key can be

acquired at https://quickstats.nass.usda.gov/api

overwrite If this is set to TRUE, it will write an existing NASS\_KEY that you already have

in your . Renviron file.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
set_nass_key("abcd012345678901234567890123456789")
# First time, relead your enviornment so you can use the key without
# restarting R.
readRenviron("~/.Renviron")
# You can check it with:
```

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```
Sys.getenv("NASS_KEY")

## End(Not run)

## Not run:

# If you need to overwrite an existing key:
nass_set_key("abcd012345678901234567890123456789", overwrite = TRUE)

# First time, relead your environment so you can use the key without

# restarting R.
readRenviron("~/.Renviron")

# You can check it with:
Sys.getenv("NASS_KEY")

## End(Not run)
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