

# Sample

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The data values associated with a [Topic](#), passed between applications are known as [DDS Samples](#). A sample represents an atom of data information as returned by a [Data Reader's](#) read/take operations. It consists of two parts; SampleInfo and the Data itself. The Data part is the data as produced by the [Publisher](#). The Sample Info contains additional information related to the data provided by the [Data Distribution Service \(DDS\)](#) such as a unique [key](#) and its associated [QoS](#) policies.

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