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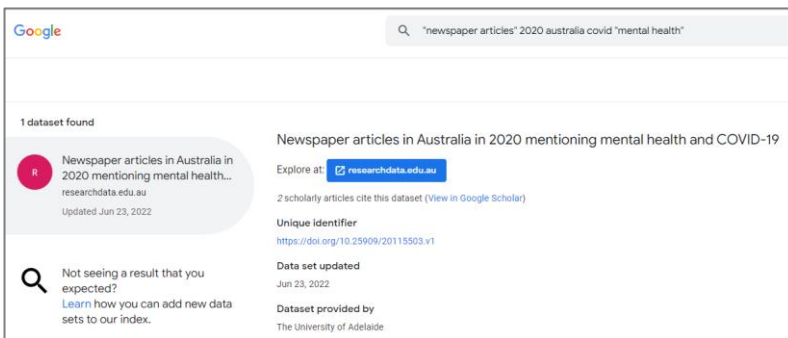
The screenshot shows a Figshare record for a dataset. At the top, the title is "Newspaper articles in Australia in 2020 mentioning mental health and COVID-19". Below the title are buttons for "Cite", "Download (770.55 kB)", "Share", "Embed", and "+ Collect". The dataset was posted on 2022-06-22, 16:37, authored by Grace Horwood. Usage metrics show 149 views, 21 downloads, and 3 citations. The description states: "Excel download listing 4,677 articles (with links to full text of each article) returned as a result of searching the Australia & New Zealand Newsstream database on 13 April 2021 for newspaper articles published in 2020 mentioning both mental health and the COVID-19 pandemic (full search criteria and search terms detailed in the spreadsheet). Also included are details of exclusion criteria, and details of articles excluded and included in final data set (final data set = 436 articles)." The categories listed are "Social psychology".

- Google search results

The screenshot shows Google search results for the query "newspaper articles" 2020 australia covid "mental health". The search bar shows the query and the search button. Below the search bar are tabs for "News", "Images", "Shopping", "Maps", "Books", "Videos", "Flights", and "Finance". The search results show "About 101,000 results (0.33 seconds)". The first result is from ScienceDirect, titled "It's important to manage our stress": Mental health advice ... by G Horwood · 2023 — In this study, we examined how advice about building and maintaining mental health was constructed in newspaper articles in Australia in 2020, during the first ... The second result is from Research Data Australia, titled "Newspaper articles in Australia in 2020 mentioning mental ... 22 June 2022 — Newspaper articles in Australia in 2020 mentioning mental health and COVID-19. The University of Adelaide. Grace Horwood (Aggregated by)." A red arrow points to the Research Data Australia result.



- Google dataset search



- Research Data Australia



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