



The Social Epistemology of

Maps



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Maps are physical entities shaped by the technological, social, economic, and political conditions in which they are generated. They are also potential tools of social power. I argue that there is no such thing as a neutral map; any map is structured by interest-ridden judgments about how to balance epistemic risks. I explore several ways in which values and interests are built into the production of maps and their epistemic functioning.

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