International Passenger Survey (IPS): ESDS Resources and Accessing the Data

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International Passenger Survey

• IPS commissioned by the ONS
• Aims to collect data on
  – credits and debits for the travel account of the Balance of Payments
  – provide detailed visit information on overseas visitors to the United Kingdom (UK) for tourism policy
  – collect data on international migration
• Repeated cross-sectional data of individuals visiting to and from the UK
• Annual survey with data updated quarterly
• Archived and disseminated by the ESDS
Economic and Social Data Service (ESDS)

National data archiving, dissemination and support service, established 2003 (for key economic and social data). Funded by ESRC.

Distributed service, bringing together centres of expertise
- UK Data Archive (UKDA)
- Centre for Census and Survey Research (CCSR)
- Manchester Information & Associated Services (MIMAS)
- Institute for Social and Economic Research (ISER)

Access and User Support (helpdesk, user guides, workshops etc.)
The Economic and Social Data Service (ESDS) is a national data service providing access and support for an extensive range of key economic and social data, both quantitative and qualitative, spanning many disciplines and themes. ESDS provides an integrated service offering enhanced support for the secondary use of data across the research, learning and teaching communities.

ESDS Services
specialist support for key economic and social data for teaching and research

ESDS Government - large-scale government surveys, such as the Labour Force Survey and the General Household Survey
ESDS International - multi-nation databanks, such as World Bank's World Development Indicators, and survey data including Eurobarometers
ESDS Longitudinal - major UK surveys following individuals over time, such as the British Household Panel Survey
ESDS Qualidata - a range of multimedia qualitative data sources

In the spotlight...

Understanding Society - Wave 1 data are here!
Wave 1/Year 1 data of the world's largest household panel survey - Understanding Society - are now available for download...
Help and Resources

Economic and Social Data Service

Frequently Asked Questions

Data archives
What are data archives?
What is the Economic and Social Data Service?
What service does the UK Data Archive provide?
What is meant by data?
Where have the data come from?

How to find and access the data
How do I find a particular dataset?
How do I find studies on a particular subject?
Who can obtain data?
What formats are the data available in?
How do I gain access to the data?
How do I download/order data?
How much will it cost?
Can I check the contents of a dataset before I obtain it?
Can I obtain data from other archives?

Using data
Can I obtain guides to using the data and questionnaires?
What help is available?
Are there any restrictions on the use of the data?
Can I use the data to identify individuals, households or organisations?
What is the most detailed geographical level I can analyse the data?
Can I obtain publications?
Can I obtain statistics?

Publication
Why cite data?
How do I acknowledge and cite data?
Some journals ask authors to make available the data used for a project.

Depositing data
What are the benefits of depositing data with the UK Data Archive?
Are there guidelines on creating and depositing data?
ESDS Government - general resources

- Introductory user guides (SPSS, Stata)
- Analysis guides (e.g. weighting, complex surveys, change over time)
- Workshops – themes and methods
- Helpdesk
How to find IPS data?

International Passenger
Visit the UK Data Archive for other related catalogues.

Found 19 records

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**Title:**
International Passenger Survey, 2011 (IPS)

**Subject Categories:**
- International Passenger Survey - Major studies
- Consumer behaviour - Economics
- Economic conditions and indicators - Economics
- Migration - Population, vital statistics and censuses
- Leisure, tourism and sport - Society and culture
- Travel and transport

**Depositor(s):**
Office for National Statistics. Social and Vital Statistics Division

**Principal Investigator(s):**
Office for National Statistics. Social and Vital Statistics Division

**Abstract:**
The *International Passenger Survey* (IPS) aims to collect data on both credit account of the Balance of Payments, provide detailed visit information on UK tourism policy, and collect data on international migration.

The data cover four subject areas, termed 'Airmiles', 'Alcohol', 'Qregtown' produced each quarter per subject area, and the dataset updated quarter together using the variables YEAR, SERIAL, FLOW and QUARTER.

The depositor recommends that only expert users who are very familiar with the structure use these data, as limited support is available. Some considerable required before meaningful analyses can be made; care must be taken operations as codes can vary from year to year and not all variables from or other years.

**Weighting the IPS**
ONS advise that the variable 'fweight' included in the 'Qcont' dataset should weighted by "wfile. This weighting is important to ensure accurate ONS weights

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How to get IPS data?

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Study Description/Documentation | Download/Order

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For Usage -
Usage number: 19105
Usage title: ESDS Government - End User Licence Data
Intended use: NON-COMMERCIAL

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How to access data - summary

- Register with ESDS to access the End User Licence (EUL) and Special Licence (SL) versions of the IPS data

- **End User Licence:**
  - Select the dataset from the Data Catalogue and click ‘Download/Order’
  - Agree to the terms & conditions of the End User Licence
  - Specify a usage/project for which the data are to be used
  - Then:
    - download data selecting your preferred format (SPSS, Stata, TAB) **or**
    - place an online order for the data
The End User Licence

- This is not public data!
- We need to know who you are, how to contact you and what you are using the data for
- Details of intended use of the data
- Agree not to attempt to identify individuals or households
- Only use the data for your stated purpose (you can re-register if you want to use the data for another use)
- Do not pass the data to unregistered parties (that includes deleting the data before passing on PCs!)
- Tell us if you publish using the data
- Keep means of access secure
- Breach will lead to termination of access
Coming Soon: An Integrated Service

UK Data Service

Economic and Social Data Service

Other data services

Census Support Service

Moving you closer to the data
For Further Info:

**Website:**
www.esds.ac.uk (search for International Passenger)

[www.esds.ac.uk/government](http://www.esds.ac.uk/government)

**Helpdesk:**
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0161 275 1980