

To help you get the most from the UK Data Service, our series of webinars introduce different aspects of the Service and explain our key datasets. These free webinars run from 15.00—16.00.

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Introduction to the UK Data Service

The UK Data Service holds the UK's largest collection of social, economic and population data. This introductory webinar is for anyone with an interest in social research who wants to hear about the vast array of resources that we offer. Participants will learn about the different types of quantitative and qualitative data we hold, how to find those data collections using our online resource discovery tools, how to register to access datasets in a number of different formats, how some of our data collections can be viewed and analysed online, and the support and training resources available for students, researchers and teachers.

[7 May](#)
[12 November](#)

Finding and accessing data in the UK Data Service

This webinar provides a practical overview of the tools that the Service provides to help you find the data you need, particularly our data catalogue tool which will help you to make the most of your data searches. We discuss best approaches to searching data, how to narrow down search results, and explain other service resources to help you locate data and related information.

[14 May](#)
[19 November](#)

Getting Started with Secondary Analysis

Participants will hear about the key issues in secondary analysis as a method. The introductory session will briefly cover the pros and cons of reusing data and the importance of learning about the origins of your data. Quantitative and qualitative secondary analysis will be discussed with examples and issues of context, sampling and ethics will be raised.

[21 May](#)
[26 November](#)

Data management basics

Data management is essential to make sure that your research project presents well-organised, well-documented, high quality and shareable research data. This webinar provides an overview of how to manage, document, store and safeguard research data, and how to plan and implement good data management in research projects with a view to optimising data sharing.

[28 May](#)
[3 December](#)

Depositing your data with ReShare

Join our free interactive online webinar, where you will learn everything you need to know in order to archive data using our self-deposit repository, ReShare. If you are an ESRC grant holder whose grant has ended and you are required to deposit your research data, or you are a researcher interested in making data available for replication, reuse, or as evidence for a published paper, or you are just curious to explore how publishing data happens in practice, then this webinar is for you.

[4 June](#)
[10 December](#)

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UK and cross-national surveys

[8 October](#)

Did you know that data from major social surveys such as the British Social Attitudes survey, the Labour Force Survey and the Health Survey for England can be accessed for research and teaching? These UK and cross-national surveys provide a rich source of data from representative samples on important social and economic topics including work, family life, health, and social and political attitudes. This introductory webinar is intended for anyone who wants to learn about survey data available from the UK Data Service.

Longitudinal data

[15 October](#)

Did you know that longitudinal data from major social studies such as the British Birth Cohort Studies, Understanding Society and the English Longitudinal Study of Ageing can be accessed for research? The longitudinal studies are extremely rich data sources for high impact and policy relevant research. This introductory webinar is intended for anyone who wants to learn about the wide range of longitudinal datasets available via the UK Data Service.

Census and population studies

[22 October](#)

Did you know that Census data can be accessed for research? Census data from 1971-2011 provides a unique source of robust population data, particularly for small areas and often-overlooked groups, such as those living in establishments. This webinar is intended as an introduction to the Census data available from the UK Data Service, for anyone who is interested in using them in research or teaching.

Qualitative and mixed methods data

[26 October](#)

Did you know that qualitative and mixed methods data can be accessed for research? The UK Data Service provides access to a range of qualitative and mixed-methods data, including ethnographic data and field notes, images, oral history transcripts, and essay responses. This webinar will help you get started searching for qualitative and mixed methods data with new search tools, like QualiBank, and help you quickly navigate through datasets to see if it's the right data for your project.

International Time Series Databanks

[5 November](#)

Did you know that international time series data can be accessed for research? The UK Data Service provides access to a range of international time series datasets, which include the open data produced by the World Bank, International Monetary Fund and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development. As well as the data restricted to academia from the International Energy Agency and the United Nations. This free introductory webinar is intended for anyone who wants to learn about the international time series data available from the UK Data Service.