



SURVEY RESEARCH RESOURCES

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Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/subjects.html> (Members only)

All University of Michigan workstations and library workstations have access to data sets and technical documentation. All Documents Center computers have zip drives. Computer #3 also has a CD-RW drive so you can download data to a CD-ROM. You can purchase blank CD-RW disks at the bookstores near campus.

MIRLYN-Web lists a select number of printed ICPSR codebooks available in the library. The codebooks are usually cataloged as Documents Center H 62 .A1 I61. They are located in the 2East stacks, just on the other side of the Knowledge Navigation Center.

ICPSR is the official publisher of several federal government data files: Health Care, Education, Aging, Criminal Justice, and Substance Abuse/Mental Health. These are listed at its Special Topics Archive, <http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/topical.html>

Institute for Social Research

<http://www.isr.umich.edu/> (Public Access)

News releases on statistical projects and links to its four research programs.

Survey Research Center (Public Access)

<http://www.isr.umich.edu/src/>

Its Survey of Consumers (<http://www.sca.isr.umich.edu/>) is a well-known monthly assessment of consumer sentiment. Its Panel Study on Income Dynamics (<http://www.isr.umich.edu/src/psid/>) is a major longitudinal household survey ongoing since 1968. Web site includes data, articles, and methodology. SRC also conducts the Detroit Area Study (<http://www.tcaup.umich.edu/workfolio/DAS2001/index.html>) as well as various retirement and health surveys.

Center for Political Studies (Public Access)

<http://www.isr.umich.edu/cps/>

Administrative home for Public Opinion Quarterly, American Association of Public Opinion Research, National Election Studies, and the World Values Survey.

Population Studies Center (Public Access)

<http://www.psc.isr.umich.edu/>

Citations to numerous books, articles, and research projects of demographic analysts. Software and analytical support in handling demographic data.

Research Center for Group Dynamics (Public Access)

<http://www.rcgd.isr.umich.edu/>

Research in human behavior within a sociological context, including aging, culture, stereotyping, African-American communities.

Statistical Indexes

Data on the Net (Public Access)

<http://odwin.ucsd.edu/idata/>

University of California-San Diego's metasite for downloadable data sets, data archives, data catalogs, and commercial vendors. Well annotated.

Statistical Universe (Members Only)

<http://web.lexis-nexis.com/statuniv>

Indexes statistical tables in most United States government publications since 1974 (American Statistics Index), many state and business publications since 1980 (Statistical Reference Index), and international inter-governmental agencies (Index to International Statistics) since 1983.

Power Tables indexes over 30,000 statistical tables found in federal, state, and international statistical abstracts. You can search by keyword, frequency, date, source, and any combination of economic, demographic, or geographic breakdowns. (e.g. water use by foreign country). Data in .gif or .xls format.

Abstracts searches a broader data base. It may link to online versions or agency web sites. Most often it refers to the corresponding microfiche collection, all of which is located in the Documents Center.

Statistical Resources on the Web (Public Access)

<http://www.lib.umich.edu/govdocs/stats.html>

Web site lists 23 pages of annotated web links for serious statistical research. Covers agriculture, environment, demography, cost of living, economics, employment, education, public opinion polls, health, elections. Most sources are freely available on the web.

United States Government

Fedstats (Public Access)

<http://www.fedstats.gov/>

Gateway to federal government statistics. Indexes statistics by broad subject, detailed subject, and keyword. Statistical Policy (<http://www.fedstats.gov/policy/>) provides access to methodological working papers and a list of all federal government statistical programs.

Statistical Abstract of the United States (Public Access)

<http://www.census.gov/statab/www/>

This is the main compendium of federal government statistics on the United States with data on population, crime, economics, education, foreign trade, health, and the environment. All tables cite their sources for additional detail. Some sources come from the private sector. Data arranged by chapter in pdf format. Seldom provides methodological information.

United States Government Statistical Agencies

Bureau of Economic Analysis (Public Access)

<http://www.bea.gov/>

Macroeconomic data on the gross national product, gross state product, income and product accounts.

Bureau of Labor Statistics (Public Access)

<http://www.bls.gov/>

Detailed data on employment and unemployment by demographic characteristics and geography; occupations and wages; consumer prices and expenditures. Considerable documentation on household expenditure surveys and joint programs with the Census Bureau's Current Population Survey. Also publishes a *Handbook of Methods* (<http://www.bls.gov/pub/hom/homtoc.htm>)

Bureau of Transportation Statistics (Public Access)

<http://www.bts.gov/>

Data on airlines, vessels, rail, and automobiles. One of the most intriguing data bases is its Fatality Analysis Reporting System (<http://www.bts.gov/ntda/farsdb/>) which documents the conditions surrounding automobile accidents as well as airline on-time records and airline fatalities.

Census Bureau (Public Access)

<http://www.census.gov>

Conducts the Decennial Census of Population and Housing, the quadrennial Economic Census, Current Population Survey (monthly sample data on demographic characteristics, American Community Survey (annual survey to update the Decennial Census), and foreign trade statistics. Use the alphabetical directory to access to the various sections of the web site. Technical Documentation and questionnaires often appear near the related statistical tables.

American Factfinder (<http://factfinder.census.gov>) is the main database for the 1990 and 2000 Census.

Environmental Protection Agency (Public Access)

<http://www.epa.gov/>

Numerous data sets on air and water pollution, toxic cleanup, the effects of pollutants on health. Numerous environmental maps, Toxic Chemical Release Inventory of pollutants emitted by commercial facilities.

National Agricultural Statistics Service (Public Access)

<http://www.usda.gov/nass/nasshome.htm>

Data includes the quinquennial Census of Agriculture (collected from farmers) and well as monthly crop and livestock information.

National Center for Education Statistics (Public Access)

<http://nces.ed.gov/>

Numerous surveys on early childhood education, primary and secondary education, post-secondary education, libraries, and educational status. Several longitudinal surveys follow cohorts. Microdata, tabulated statistics, articles and technical documentation. Approach through the Survey and Program Areas link on the lefthand side of the web page.

National Center for Health Statistics (Public Access)

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/>

Major source for health and disability statistics collected through a combination of person and hospital surveys. Birth, death, marriage and divorce statistics collected from the states. Publishes tabulations, articles, FTP files, and microdata programs. Detailed technical documentation.

National Criminal Justice Reference Service (Public Access)

<http://www.ncjrs.org/>

Data on victims of crime, judicial processing, and prisoners in jail. Web site has two report data bases: full text and abstracts only.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (Public Access)

<http://www.samhsa.gov/>

Household surveys on drug and alcohol abuse. Includes microdata and methodology. ICPSR also serves as an archive (<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/SAMHDA/>).

International Data (Selected Sources)

City Population (Public Access)

<http://www.citypopulation.de/>

Population data for numerous cities in the world in a variety of formats. Choose and country and then locate cities by province or name. Includes population of province; population data for the city from the last two censuses. Locate city on a map; some maps also permit zooming for population density. Data may also be downloaded for manipulation with spreadsheets.

International Population Data Base (Public Access)

<http://www.census.gov/ftp/pub/ipc/www/idbnew.html>

Summary vital statistics data for all countries. Additional data on marital status, ethnic origin, religion, literacy, labor force, income and poverty. Data may be downloaded directly or viewed via a spreadsheet. Display Mode provides a user-friendly pull-down menu for viewing on a screen

Official Statistics on the Web (Public Access)

<http://www2.auckland.ac.nz/lbr/stats/offstats/OFFSTATSmain.htm>

Links to national government data sources by name of country and international sources by subject.

SourceOECD (Members Only)

<http://www.sourceoecd.org/>

Statistical data bases of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. In-depth time series of data for the Western European countries, United States, Canada, Japan, and Australia. Main Economic Indicators, Historical Indicators, and National Income and Product Accounts appear under PERIODICALS/ STATISTICAL PERIODICALS. Economic Surveys are under PERIODICALS.

Statistics Resources on the Web (Public Access)

<http://www.lib.umich.edu/govdocs/stats.html>

Extensive links to international data and data sets, including health, education, environment. Broad subject arrangement with detailed frames index.

United Nations Statistics Common Data Base (Members Only)

<http://unstats.un.org/>

Hundreds of data elements for almost all countries, 1946+ present. Subjects include agriculture, economics, health, prices, men and women, education, labor, development assistance. Basic View allows selection of single data series for up to 10 countries for 20 years. Advanced View supports multiple series, years, and countries with downloading capability into Excel, ASCII, or CSV formats. Web site includes definitions, sources of the data, and a topical list of subjects.

Public Opinion Polls

American Customer Satisfaction Index (Public Access)

<http://www.theacsi.org/>

Ratings of companies and products since 1995 with some methodology.

American Public Opinion Index (Library)

Ref. HM 261 .A4631

Most comprehensive printed index to American public opinion, 1981+ Volume 1 provides summary data by subject. Volume 2 provides further detail, including the sample size.

Gallup Poll (Library)

Ref. HN 90 .P8 G18

Annual survey of the American public since 1935. Arranged by subject. Little documentation. Various indexes, shelved in the area, monitor international public opinion since 1935. The most current is Index to International Public Opinion, 1978/79+ (Ref. HM 261 .A1 I56)

General Social Survey (Members Only)

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/GSS/>

Survey of the American public since 1972 on demographic characteristics and opinions. The above URL provides the codebook and data extraction from ICPSR. The data can also be extracted online from the University of California at Berkeley (<http://csa.berkeley.edu:7502/>).

National Election Studies (Members Only)

<http://www.umich.edu/~nes/>

Microdata on public opinion during election years by demographic characteristics of the respondent. The University of California at Berkeley has a version which can be extracted online (<http://csa.berkeley.edu:7502/>).

Polling the Nations (Members Only)

<http://webspirs.silverplatter.com/cgi-bin/customers/c135082/c135082.cgi>

Compilation of questions and responses from more than 6,500 national, state, local and special surveys in the U.S. and over 60 other countries.

Roper Center for Public Opinion Researcher (Members Only)

<http://www.ropercenter.uconn.edu>

The Roper Center for Public Opinion Research is the largest archive of public opinion data in the world. It is particularly strong for the United States and the last half of the 20th Century. The Library has access to iPoll, their catalog of poll questions. This access is by password only. Users may contact numeric.data@umich.edu to have a search done for them. In addition, the contents of iPoll are also available as part of Lexis-Nexis Academic Universe [<http://web.lexis-nexis.com/universe/>] (choose Reference, then Polls & Surveys). The Roper Center can also provide the raw data for thousands of surveys. To request data, contact numeric.data@umich.edu.

Political Methodology

American Political Science Association Political Methodology Section

<http://web.polmeth.ufl.edu/>

Working papers and the full text of the *Political Methodologist*.

International Social Survey Programme (Public Access)

<http://www.issp.org/data.htm>

Data archive for European and American general social surveys.

Includes codebooks for such topics as social inequality, religion, national identity and work. Codebooks provide questions and often frequencies in individual countries

Political Science Research Resources (Public Access)

<http://www.vanderbilt.edu/~rtucker/polisci/>

Guide to data sets, econometrics, dynamic models, and game theory on the internet.

Resources and Methods in Evaluation and Research (Public Access)

<http://gsociology.icaap.org/methods/>

Survey methods and sampling from a sociology perspective.

Social Science Information Gateway (Public Access)

<http://www.sosig.ac.uk/>

Meta-site for serious social science research with a British focus. See especially the section on Statistics.

Books and Journals

Identify books and journals available at the University of Michigan Library using MIRLYN Web (<http://mirlyn.web.lib.umich.edu>)

Sample Author Searches

Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research
Shamir, Jacob

Sample Title Searches

Anatomy of public opinion
Public opinion quarterly

Sample Subject Searches

Household surveys—statistical methods
Public opinion polls
Social sciences research

Sample Keyword Searches

survey w design
census and technical w documentation
(survey? or questionnaire?) and method?

Journal Indexes

Current Index to Statistics (Members Only)

<http://www.statindex.org/CIS/query>

A bibliographic index to publications in statistics and related fields. Covers all articles from 106 "core journals," selected articles from about 900 additional journals, and about 8000 books in statistics published since 1974.

International Political Science Abstracts (Members Only)

<http://webspirs.silverplatter.com/cgi-bin/customers/c135082/c135082.cgi>

Indexes political science literature, including methodological research and public opinion polls, since 1989. Provides abstracts only. Consult MIRLYN for the journals cited to find the full text of the articles.

MathSciNet (Members Only)

<http://www.ams.org/mathscinet/>

MathSciNet is a searchable database providing Web access to "Mathematical Reviews", the journal of record which reviews and abstracts the published mathematical research literature.

Worldwide Political Science Abstracts (Members Only)

<http://www.csa.com/htbin/ids52/procskel.cgi>

Provides citations, abstracts, and indexing of the international serials literature in political science and its complementary fields since 1975. Indexes foreign language journals and translate the title into English. Numerous articles on survey research.

Web of Science (Members Only)

<http://isi0.isiknowledge.com/portal.cgi>

Indexes science journals since 1945 and social science journals since 1956. However, its major use is searching existing books and articles to determine who is citing them in the current periodical literature.

Full Text Journals

Electronic Journals and Newsletters (Members Only)

<http://www.lib.umich.edu/ejournals/>

Lists of journals available electronically at the University of Michigan with a brief description of the holdings and links to the URL. Electronic versions of journals are also listed in MIRLYN-Web (<http://mirlyn.web.lib.umich.edu/>)

JSTOR (Members Only)

<http://www.jstor.org/>

Full text of scholarly journals in the various social science and science disciplines, circa 1900 to within five years of the present. Conduct a keyword search simultaneously in the political science, population studies, sociology and statistics journals for survey research design.

ProQuest (Members Only)

<http://www.umi.com/pqdauto?COPT=REJTPUcxQw@@>

Indexes approximately 2500 popular and scholarly journals in all fields since approximately 1985 and provides full text articles for well over half.

<http://www.lib.umich.edu/govdocs/survres.pdf>

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