

How is the General Household Survey used?

Examples of some of the projects for which applications to use the GHS were made in 2008

- Demand and capacity of public sector services

Harvey Dodgson (King's College London – Management, Social Science and Public Policy)

Data will be used for a series of papers describing and quantifying the growth in demand for a range of public sector services between 1951 and 2001/7.

- Effects of smoking on cancer

Dr Donald Maxwell Parkin (University of Oxford – CTSU, Department of Medicine)

Statistics on prevalence of smoking in UK will be used to estimate the effects that changes in the last three decades will have had on time trends of several cancers.

- Religion and urban restructuring

Dr Richard Gale (University of Birmingham – Sociology)

This project extends previous research on religious discrimination by looking at how religious groups and organisations respond to urban restructuring and economic liberalisation.

- Obesity and mental wellbeing

Dr Stephen Morris (Brunel University – HERG)

The aim is to delineate the relationship between obesity and mental wellbeing. Obesity will be measured using the BMI variable in the HSE and mental wellbeing will be measured using GHQ-12 scores. The aim is to regress GHQ-12 scores at the individual level against individual BMI plus covariates.

- Migration and Public Services

Maria Latorre (Institute for Public Policy Research – Migration, Equalities and Citizenship)

This project aims to assess the impact of immigration in public services in the UK.

- Children's Wellbeing and Lone Parent Employment

Dr Susan Harkness (University of Bath – Social Policy)

Looking at the effect of lone parent employment and maternal mental health on a range of child mental health outcomes in 1999 and 2004.

- Sociological research

Professor Yaojun Li (University of Manchester – Institute for Social Change)

Research on social mobility and social stratification, social and political capital, labour market position especially concerning the minority ethnic groups in Britain, and comparative research between the UK and other countries such as the US, China.

- Wage Inequality in the UK and Germany

Dr Johannes Giesecke

This project aims at investigating the social structure of wage inequality in the UK and Germany.

- Alcohol use

Dr Nicola Fear (King's College London – Academic Centre for Defence Mental Health)

To make age and gender adjusted comparisons on alcohol usage with a cross-sectional survey of military personnel.

- Housing and life chances

Ruth Lupton (Institute of Education – Educational Foundations and Policy Studies)

An academic study of the relationship between housing and life chances.

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