



Looking for data on

health and health behaviour?

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ESDS resources include:

- user guides on specific datasets
- conference and workshop presentations
- video presentations of online analysis tools
- publications database
- guidance on how to use software for secondary analysis of data



Health topics

The ESDS data collection covers a range of health and health behaviour topics such as:

- the experience of illness
- child development
- provision of and access to health care
- lifestyle behaviour
- subjective physical and mental well-being
- diet and nutrition
- immunisation programmes
- attitudes to health service provision



Key data

ESDS provides access to:

- primary data sources
- survey data
- qualitative data
- aggregate-level statistical data
- cross-national data
- digital, paper-based and multimedia data

Browsing, searching and downloading

The ESDS data collection holds over 6,000 datasets. Data can be browsed via the 'Browse by subject' page, or searched in the Data Catalogue using health-related subject keywords or variables. Registered users can download or order most data.



Analysing data

Explore quantitative and qualitative data online using the following web-based data analysis tools:

- Nesstar
- Beyond 20/20
- ESDS Qualidata Online

Movie tutorials are available for each of these tools.

Case studies

Case studies illustrate how ESDS data have been used to explore:

- health topics using government microdata
- child and infant mortality using cross-national macro-level data
- mental health nursing using qualitative data
- community profiling using government statistics



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Looking for data on health?

As a theme, 'health' covers a wide range of topics and cuts across many academic disciplines: the boundaries of what constitutes health data and health research are both fuzzy and shifting. Data have been collected and are made available via the ESDS on topics as varied as the experience of illness, child development, access to care, lifestyle behaviour, subjective physical and mental well-being, diet and nutrition, immunisation programmes and attitudes towards health service provision. Data on health can cover not only a person's status, behaviour, attitudes and expectations but also the provision of health care, including the mechanics of policy making, government expenditure and service coverage.

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