APPENDIX 8 – Social Sciences

Table A8.1 Social Science initiatives considered in the report preparation

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World Values Survey (WVS)	Austria	1981	Distributed		http://www.worldvaluessurvey.org.
The World Values Survey (www.worldvaluessurvey.org) is a global network of social scientists studying changing values and their impact on social and political life, led by an international team of scholars, with the WVS association. Its secretariat is based in Austria at the Institute for Comparative Survey Research, Vienna. The survey, which started in 1981, seeks to use the most rigorous, high-quality research designs in each country. The WVS consists of nationally representative surveys conducted in almost 100 countries which contain almost 90 percent of the world's population, using a common questionnaire. The WVS is the largest non-commercial, cross-national, time series investigation of human beliefs and values ever executed, currently including interviews with almost 400,000 respondents. Moreover, the WVS is the only academic study covering the full range of global variations, from very poor to very rich countries, in all of the world's major cultural zones.					
Gallup World Poll (GWP)	USA	2005		https://www.gallup.com/contact.aspx	https://www.gallup.com/17867/gallup-world-poll-work.aspx
The Gallup World Poll tracks the most important issues worldwide, such as food access, employment, leadership performance, and well-being. It uses different modes (telephone and face to face). With some exceptions, all samples are probability based and nationally representative of the resident population aged 15 and older.					
International Social Survey Programme (ISSP)	Germany	1984	Distributed	Secretariat issp.sec@gmail.com	http://www.issp.org/menu-top/home/
ISSP is a cross-national collaboration programme conducting annual surveys on diverse topics relevant to social sciences. Established in 1984 by its founding members Australia, Germany, Great Britain and the US, the ISSP has since included members covering various cultures around the globe. Its institutional members, each of them representing one nation, consist of academic organizations, universities, or survey agencies. Since its foundation, over one million respondents have participated in the surveys of the ISSP.					
Global barometer	Taiwan	2004	Distributed	asianbarometer@ntu.edu.tw	https://www.globalbarometer.net/

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Global Barometer Surveys (GBS) is a collaborative research project consisting of six regional barometers. It is the first comprehensive effort to measure, at a mass level, the current social, political, and economic climate around the world. It provides an independent, non-partisan, scientific and multidisciplinary view of public opinion on a range of policy-relevant issues. Currently, the GBS network covers 70% of the world's population and is still expanding.					
Pew Global Attitudes Survey at Pew Research Centre	USA	2002	Single sited		https://www.pewresearch.org/
Pew Research Center is a nonpartisan fact tank that informs the public about the issues, attitudes and trends shaping the world. It conducts public opinion polling, demographic research, media content analysis and other empirical social science research. Pew Research Center does not take policy positions. It is a subsidiary of The Pew Charitable Trusts.					
Gateway to global ageing data	US		Platform		https://g2aging.org/#
Description: Gate way to global ageing data is a free public resource designed to facilitate cross-national and longitudinal studies on aging using the family of health and retirement studies around the world. Coordinated by University of Southern California, Center for Economic and Social Research (CESR) cesr.usc.edu					
International Population Data Linkage Network					https://www.lpdln.org;
International Social Science Council: Survey of international social surveys					http://www.worldsocialscience.org/resources/survey-surveys/

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Afro-barometer		1999	Distributed		https://www.afrobarometer.org/
A pan-European survey research project that measures citizens' attitudes on democracy and governance, the economy, civil society, to give the public a voice in policy making. Surveys and other activities are carried out by a network of national partners in over 30 countries. There are four core partners – Ghana Centre for Democratic Development; Institute for Development Studies, University of Nairobi; Institute for Justice and Reconciliation; and Institute for Empirical Research in Political Economy, with 2 support units (Michigan State University, US, University of Cape Town, SA)					
Latino-barometro	Chile	2006 (available data)			http://www.latinobarometro.org/lat.jsp
Latinobarómetro conducts an annual survey in 18 Spanish and Portuguese speaking countries, using representative samples. Latinobarómetro Corporation is a private non-profit organization, based in Santiago, Chile, that is responsible for carrying out the Latinobarómetro survey and for distributing the data. It has a board of directors, whose members are Chilean and which is governed by Chilean law, and an International Advisory Council that advises its executive director.					
Arab Barometer	USA	2005	Distributed		https://www.arabbarometer.org/
The Arab Barometer is a regional public opinion survey established in 2005 and conducted in the twelve Middle Eastern countries Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Tunisia, and Yemen. The first wave was conducted from 2006-2008.					
Asian Barometer	Taiwan		Distributed		http://www.asianbarometer.org/
The Asian Barometer includes 14 countries and territories in East and South East Asia. It uses the Global Barometer Survey (GBS) report as the model and is administered by country teams.					
East Asian Social Survey (EEAS)	Korea	2003	Distributed		http://www.essda.org
EEAS is a biennial social survey that aims to produce and disseminate academic survey datasets in East Asia.					

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Harvard Law School, Labor & Worklife Program	*Cambridge US*				https://lwp.law.harvard.edu/

Description The Labor & Worklife Program is Harvard University's center for research, teaching and creative problem solving related to the world of work and its implications for society. Located at Harvard Law School, LWP brings together scholars, students, practitioners, community members and policy experts from a variety of disciplines. LWP organizes projects and programs that (1) examine critical changes in labor markets, labor law, and the experiences of working people and (2) analyze the role of advocates, unions, worker organizations, business, and government in improving the quality of life for working families in the U.S. and around the world. The faculty, staff, fellows and research associates of LWP include an array of nationally and internationally renowned scholars, experts and intellectuals.

Health and retirement study	*Michigan, US*	*1990*	*project*		*http://hrsonline.isr.umich.edu/*

Description: The Health and Retirement Study is a longitudinal is a longitudinal panel study that surveys a representative sample of approximately 20,000 people in America, sponsored by the National Institute on Aging (NIA U01AG009740) and the Social Security Administration.   It is undertaken by the Survey Research Center at the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research

National Opinion Research Center, at University of Chicago	*Chicago, USA*	*1941*	*Independent research corporation*		

Description: NORC conducts research in five main areas: Economics, Markets, and the Workforce; Education, Training, and Learning; Global Development; Health and Well-Being; and Society, Media, and Public Affairs.

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IPUMSi, University of Minnesota	Minnesota, US		Single sited		https://international.ipums.org/international/
IPUMS-International is dedicated to collecting and distributing individual and household level census data from around the world. The project goals are to collect and preserve data and documentation, harmonize data, and disseminate the harmonized data free of charge. Currently, census data from 94 countries, with 365 censuses and over one billion person records are available.					
ICPSR, University of Michigan	Michigan, US				https://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/
ICPSR (International Consortium for Political and Social Research) is the one of the leading data archives in the USA for access to social and economic data. It operates via a membership scheme, with organisations joining on payment of an annual fee, ranging from less than $100 for school students to almost $20,000 for large and prestigious universities. Currently there are nearly 800 member institutions and approximately 30 US agencies contributing data. The Institute houses over 11,000 separate studies with 5.3 million variables. ICPSR is a trusted digital repository, having gained CoreTrustSeal accreditation. CoreTrustSeal Data Repository certification demonstrates to researchers that data repositories are taking appropriate measures to ensure sustainable and trustworthy data infrastructures. CoreTrustSeal is a legal entity under Dutch law governed by a Standards and Certification Board composed of 12 elected members representing the Assembly of Reviewers. ICPSR is linked into the European Data Landscape via membership of CESSDA ((Consortium of European Social Science Data Archives).					
Center for Open Science	Virginia, US				https://cos.io/about/mission/
The Center for Open Science, based in Charlottesville, Virginia, aims to provide researchers with shared tools, space to deposit projects (source code, working papers, interim results, etc.)					
Administrative Data Facility (Coleridge Initiative)	US				https://coleridgeinitiative.org
The goal of the Coleridge Initiative in general is to use data to transform the way governments access and use data for the social good. The infrastructure itself is a secure remote access facility, which provides access to and use of confidential micro data, and associated training programs. The goal of the partnerships is to lower the barriers to other universities to do the same. Coleridge has partnered with a variety of universities. Our program directors – Julia Lane, Rayid Ghani, Bob Goerge and Frauke Kreuter – all have academic affiliations (NYU, UChicago, University of Maryland and University of Mannheim). They have designed and implemented joint training programs with their own institutions. Other partnerships include work with Ohio State University, Cal Poly, University of Michigan, Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis, the University of Missouri and the University of California.					

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Institute for Quantitative Social Science	*US*				*https://www.iq.harvard.edu/about*
IQSS states in its mission statement that: 'The goal of IQSS is to transform social science research from the art of studying the greatest problems that affect human societies to the science of understanding and solving these problems. After generations of trial and error, social scientists in this generation have finally figured out how to collect unprecedented privacy-preserving information about people, groups, firms, and countries and to invent the statistical methods, data science approaches, theories, and technologies necessary to make this data actionable.					
Institute for Research on Innovation and Science	*US*	*2015*			*https://iris.isr.umich.edu*
Description: (IRIS) is a member consortium of universities anchored by an IRB-approved data repository hosted at the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research. IRIS was founded in 2015 with support from the Alfred P. Sloan and Ewing Marion Kauffman foundations. IRIS collects record level administrative data from its members to produce a de-identified dataset for research and reporting that will improve our ability to understand, explain and improve the public value of research. Its mission is to be a trusted resource for high quality data that supports independent, frontier research on science and innovation in the service of the public interest.					
National Bureau of Economic Research	*US*				https://www.nber.org
The NBER is a private, non-profit, non-partisan membership organization dedicated to conducting economic research and to disseminating research findings among academics, public policy makers, and business professionals. NBER-affiliated researchers study a wide range of topics and they employ many different methods in their work. Key focus areas include developing new statistical measurements, estimating quantitative models of economic behaviour, and analysing the effects of public policies. Access to research resources via the NBER requires the applicant to have a research link with the NBER, usually via research cooperation with a member.					

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Bureau of Labor Statistics	US				https://www.bls.gov/data
The Bureau of Labor Statistics houses the largest collection of data relating to the labour market in the US. Much of this data can be accessed via 'Datafinder' – a flexible crosstabulation device. Access to person and household level data is possible but under restricted access conditions.					
Databrary	US				https://www.databrary.org
Databrary describes itself as 'a video data library for behavioural scientists. Its mission statement is: 'Our mission is to promote sharing and reuse of video data. Most developmental scientists rely on video recordings to capture the complexity and richness of behavior. However, researchers rarely share video data, and this has impeded scientific progress. Enabling reuse of video data is essential to increasing openness, maximizing the efficiency of limited resources, and accelerating the pace of discovery in the developmental and learning sciences. We aim to provide tools that encourage good data management, facilitate open data sharing, enable discovery, and foster data reuse and integration. We are working to build functionality that allows researchers to organize, store, code, and share identifiable video data and other contextual information about the videos with other researchers through a secure web-based library.' The project is based at New York University and Penn State. It has grant support from the U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The overall goal is to accelerate the pace of discovery, improve scientific transparency and accountability, and transform research practices in psychology and developmental science.					
Roper Center	US				https://ropercenter.cornell.edu/
The Roper Center states that its mission is: 'to collect, preserve, and disseminate public opinion data; to serve as a resource to help improve the practice of survey research; and to broaden the understanding of public opinion through the use of survey data in the United States and around the world'. Access to it collection of over 710,000 polling questions is via a membership scheme, with costs ranging from just over $500 for a High School, to more than $7,000 for a major university					

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UC Berkeley D-Lab	*Berkeley CA*				https://dlab.berkeley.edu/

D-Lab promotes research links with the global social science research community, but its primary focus is on building research capacity within the Berkeley science community. UC Berkeley D-Lab describes itself in the following terms: 'D-Lab helps Berkeley faculty, staff, and graduate students move forward with world-class research in data intensive social science. We think of data as an expansive category, one that is constantly changing as the research frontier moves. We offer a venue for methodological exchange from all corners of campus and across its bounds. D-Lab provides cross-disciplinary resources for in-depth consulting and advising, access to staff support, and training and provisioning for software and other infrastructure needs. Networking with other Berkeley centers and facilities and with our departments and schools, we offer our services to researchers across the disciplines and underwrite the breadth of excellence of Berkeley's graduate programs and faculty research. D-Lab builds networks through which Berkeley researchers can connect with users of social science data in the off-campus world.'

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CEBRAP Centro Brasileiro de Analise e Planejamento	*Sao Paulo, Brazil*				https://cebrap.org.br

CEBRAP is an independent research institute based in Sao Paulo, with links to researchers in universities across Brazil. It provides access and research support to many of the key datasets held at the IBGE (Brazilian Statistical Institute) and by other departments of state and national government. It is open to a wide variety of research partnerships, including: Joint research, short-term and long term research projects; Consultancy activities, applied research for government, international agencies and private sector; Participation in or co-coordination of seminars and academic meetings on issues related to our research interests; Formal institutional agreement of cooperation; Special academic programs with exchange of scholarships and/or exchange of staff members;

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Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Statística (IGBE)	*Brazil*	*1934*			*http://www.igbe.gov.br*

The Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics - IBGE is the main provider of data and information in the country, which meets the needs of the most diverse segments of civil society, as well as federal, state and municipal government agencies.   IBGE offers a complete and current view of the country through the performance of its main functions: Production and analysis of statistical information
Coordination and consolidation of statistical information
Production and analysis of geographic information
Coordination and consolidation of geographic information
Structuring and implementation of an environmental information system
Documentation and information dissemination
Coordination of national statistical and mapping systems

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DIEESE - Departamento Intersindical de Estatística e Estudos Socioeconômicos, São Paulo	*Sao Paulo, Brazil*	*1955*			*https://www.dieese.org.br/materialinstitucional/aboutUs.html*

DIEESE, Inter-Union Department of Statistics and Socio-Economic Studies was born from struggles led by Brazilian trade unions. It was founded in 1955 to develop research to be used as support for workers' demands, to be a starting point on their labor issues. Most national workers confederations and federations as well as main trade unions are affiliated to DIEESE, being at the top of it and contributing to its support, taking profit of its services and scientific production. Currently there are more than 700 entities affiliated to DIEESE.   It has informal links and continuous cooperation regarding the Collective Agreements Database WageIndicator Survey.

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ELSI-Brasil - Estudo Longitudinal de Saúde do Idoso	Brazil				http://elsi.cpqrr.fiocruz.br/en/
ELSI-Brazil (The Brazilian Longitudinal Study of Aging) is a longitudinal, home-based survey, conducted in a nationally representative sample of older adults. The research aims to examine the social and biological determinants of aging and its consequences for the individual and for the society. ELSI-Brazil is coordinated by the Oswaldo Cruz Foundation – Minas Gerais (FIOCRUZ-MG) and the Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG).					
Instituto Nacional de Estadistica y Censos The National Institute of Statistics and Censuses (INDEC)	Argentina			https://www.indec.gob.ar/indec/web/Institucional-Indec-Contacto	https://www.indec.gob.ar/indec/web/Institucional-Indec-QuienesSomosEng
The National Institute of Statistics and Censuses (INDEC, in its Spanish acronym) is a public deconcentrated body, of a technical nature, within the scope of the Ministry of Treasury of Argentina, and which runs all the official statistical activities carried out throughout the country. Argentine Law 17622, Executive Orders 3110/70, 1831/93, and Provision 176/99 on Statistical Secrecy establish the creation and operation of INDEC. Its responsibilities are: apply the statistical policy of the National Government; organise and run the National Statistical System (NSS); design the methodology, organise and run the national operations to gather and collect information through censuses and statistics; produce basic indicators and social and economic data.					
Centro de Estudios de la Nueva Economia (CENE)	Buenos Aires, Argentina				http://www.ub.edu.ar/centros-de-estudios-ub/centros-de-estudio-cene
CENE is located at the University of Belgrano					

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China Health and Retirement Longitudinal Study	*Beijing, China*	*2011*			*http://charls.pku.edu.cn/index.html*

The China Health and Retirement Longitudinal Study (CHARLS) aims to collect a high quality nationally representative sample of Chinese residents ages 45 and older to serve the needs of scientific research on the elderly. The baseline national wave of CHARLS is being fielded in 2011 and includes about 10,000 households and 17,500 individuals in 150 counties/districts and 450 villages/resident committees. The individuals will be followed up every two years. All data will be made public one year after the end of data collection. (https://www.nia.nih.gov/research/resource/china-health-and-retirement-survey-charls <accessed 11/11/2019); https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/China_Health_and_Retirement_Longitudinal_Study. Details in English: https://g2aging.org/?section=study&studyid=4

China Family Panel Studies	*China*	*2010*			*https://opendata.pku.edu.cn/dataverse/CFPS?language=en*

China Family Panel Studies (CFPS) is a nationally representative, annual longitudinal survey of Chinese communities, families, and individuals launched in 2010 by the Institute of Social Science Survey (ISSS) of Peking University, China. Interviews will be conducted using computer assisted personal interviewing (CAPI) technology, provided by the Survey Research Center (SRC) at the University of Michigan.

Chinese Household Income Projects	*China*	*1988*			*https://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/ICPSR/series/243*

The purpose of the Chinese Household Income Project was to measure and estimate the distribution of personal income in both rural and urban areas of the People's Republic of China. The principal investigators based their definition of income on cash payments and on a broad range of additional components: payments in kind valued at market prices, agricultural output produced for self-consumption valued at market prices, the value of ration coupons and other direct subsidies, and the imputed value of housing. Data were collected through a series of questionnaire-based interviews conducted in rural and urban areas in 1988, 1995, 2002, and 2007. Individual respondents reported on their economic status, employment, level of education, sources of income, household composition, and household expenditures. The Chinese Household Income Project collected data in 1988, 1995, 2002, and 2007. ICPSR holds data from the first three collections. Data collected in 2007 are available through the China Institute for Income Distribution.

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Chinese National Survey Data Archive, Renmin University of China	China				http://cnsda.ruc.edu.cn/index.php?r=projects/index
CHSDA Hosts data sets from major longitudinal and cross-sectional studies in mainland China on social, economic and political topics, such as the Chinese General Social Survey (CGSS). Supported by the National Survey Research Center, Renmin University of China.Access: Registration required					
Network Building of the Integrated Social Science Data Base Solution	Graduate School of Decision Science and Technology, Tokyo Institute of Technology	2010	Project		http://www.dst.titech.ac.jp/index_en.html
Large scale project identified in the Large Scale Research Project master plan 2010 - http://www.scj.go.jp/ja/info/kohyo/pdf/kohyo-21-h135-1-2e.pdf					
Practical Intercommunity Platform for Facilitating Global Understanding of Regional Knowledge	Aoyama Gakuin University	2010	Project		https://www.aoyama.ac.jp/en/
Large project in the Large Scale Research Project master plan 2010 - http://www.scj.go.jp/ja/info/kohyo/pdf/kohyo-21-h135-1-2e.pdf					

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Social Science Japan Data Archive (SSJDA)	*Institute of Social Science, University of Tokyo*		*Project*		https://csrda.iss.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/ssjda/about/
The Social Science Japan Data Archive (SSJDA) is located in Information Centre for Social Science Research on Japan. It collects, maintains, and provides access to the academic community, a vast archive of social science data (quantitative data obtained from social surveys) for secondary analyses. The Information Centre for Social Sciences Research on Japan is an identified large project in the Large-Scale Research Project master plan 2010					
A comprehensive Study of Life Course and Inequality	*Institute of Social Science, Centre for Social Research and Data Analysis, University of Tokyo*				https://csrda.iss.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/
Japanese Life Course Panel Surveys	*Centre for Social Research and Data Analysis University of Tokyo*				*https://csrda.iss.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/joint/jgss/*
The Institute of Social Science conducted panel surveys focusing on three demographics: youth, middle-aged, and high-school graduates					

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Japanese General Social Surveys (JGSS)					http://www.jgss.daishodai.ac.jp/english/index.html
The Japanese General Social Surveys (JGSS) Project is a Japanese version of the General Social Survey (GSS) project closely replicating the original GSS of the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago. http://www.jgss.daishodai.ac.jp/english/index.html.					
The Japanese Study of Ageing and Retirement (JSTAR)	*Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry (RIETI), Hitotsubashi University and the University of Tokyo*				*https://www.rieti.go.jp/en/projects/jstar/*
This website provides information regarding the Japanese Study of Aging and Retirement (JSTAR), a panel survey of elderly people aged 50 or older conducted by the Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry (hereinafter "RIETI"), Hitotsubashi University, and the University of Tokyo. Detailed survey results as well as information regarding the use of the micro-data collected in the survey, which are made available (subject to approval by RIETI) to researchers belonging to universities and/or research institutes, can be found here.					
Australian Data Archive	*Australia*	*1981*			*https://ada.edu.au/*
The Australian Data Archive (ADA) is a Core Trust Seal certified repository, based in the ANU Centre for Social Research and Methods (CSRM) at the Australian National University (ANU). ADA was established at the ANU in 1981 with a brief to provide a national service for the collection and preservation of digital data relating to social, political and economic affairs and to make these data available for further analysis.					

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National e-Research Collaboration, Tools and Resources:	*Australia*	*2009*	**Distributed**		*www.nectar.org.au*
The National e-Research Collaboration Tools and Resources project (Nectar) provides an online infrastructure that supports researchers to connect with colleagues in Australia and around the world, allowing them to collaborate and share ideas and research outcomes, which will ultimately contribute to our collective knowledge and make a significant impact on our society. Nectar was established in 2009 by the Australian Government following a 2009/10 Budget announcement of $47 million to support Nectar as part of the Super Science initiative financed by the Education Investment Fund (EIF). Nectar has received $61 million in government funding, matched by co-investment of $54 million from Australian universities and research organisations. Nectar partners with Australian research institutions and research communities through a portfolio of sub-projects to develop and operate: 12 Virtual Laboratories , 16 eResearch Tools, a national Research Cloud with over 10,000 users and the National Server Program.					
Population Health Research Network	*Australia*		**Distributed**		www.phrn.org.au
PHRN is included on the Australian Government's National Research Infrastructure Roadmap (2016), recognized as a national research infrastructure capability (www.education.gov.au/2016-national-research-infrastructure-roadmap. PHRN is a national network of data linkage units, a secure data laboratory and e-research services which support researchers access to linked population data.					
Australian National Data Service, Research Data Services	*Australia*		**Distributed**		https://www.ands.org.au/ https://ardc.edu.au/
National Research Data Storage Infrastructure (Australian National Research Infrastructure Roadmap 2016, p21). Australia now has cost-effective, scaled up, shared research data storage services provided through Research Data Services (RDS) that are aimed at improving research collaboration through the storage and provision of access to research data collections of national significance. RDS complements institutional investments by providing infrastructure for the ever-growing volume of new and complex data. The Research Data Services (RDS) project is a continuation of foundations project the Research Data Storage Infrastructure. The foundations project established a number of components including: a number of high-capacity storage nodes; *a dedicated high-bandwidth, low-latency inter-connection network to support data transfer and replication, together with the implementation of* *common access infrastructure that provides a uniform user access experience, and* *appropriate specialised access infrastructure, including the hosting of specialist access tools related to national collections.*					

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Life in Australia	*Centre for Social Research & Methods ANU College of Arts & Social Sciences, ANU Canberra*		*Project*		*https://www.srcentre.com.au/our-research/life-in-australia-study*
Australia's most methodologically rigorous online panel. It exclusively uses random probability-based sampling methods and covers both online and offline population. Results from Life in Australia^{TM} surveys are generalisable to the Australian population and the sampling approach ensures that sampling errors and confidence intervals can be calculated. By comparison, non-probability 'opt in' online panels do not have these statistical properties. Panel members are randomly recruited via their landline or mobile phone and provide their contact details so that they can take part in surveys on a regular basis. Life in Australia^{TM} hosts standalone and omnibus surveys.					
Agincourt, Mpumalanga (Wits)	*Johannesburg and Bushbuckridge*	*1992*	*a health and socio-demographic surveillance system (HDSS); distributed*		https://www.agincourt.co.za/

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Africa Centre for Population Health	Nairobi, Kenya				https://aphrc.org/

The African Population and Health Research Center is the continent's premier research institution and think tank, generating evidence to drive policy action to improve the health and wellbeing of African people. As a progressive African-led global research center invested in creating legacy impact, our work is centered in three integrated programmatic divisions:

Research: Our teams orient their research agendas to global and continental development priorities bringing independent evidence to the forefront of decisions supporting improved growth and development in the region. The center's research priorities fall within six thematic units: Aging and Development; Education and Youth Empowerment; Health and Systems for Health; Maternal and Child Wellbeing; Population Dynamics and Sexual Reproductive Health and; Urbanization and Wellbeing in Africa. Anchoring the six is our Data, Measurement and Evaluation Unit providing internal support for robust data systems and outward looking technical assistance in program evaluation and data use.

Research capacity strengthening: Through strategic partnerships, the Center strives to nurture African research leadership by building a critical mass of researchers to meaningfully engage with policy actors in developing, reviewing and implementing policies and programs relevant to the continent's development.

Policy engagement and communications: The Center builds relationships with key decision-making bodies at the national, regional and global levels to encompass engagements with government and non-government entities, as well as academic, advocacy and research institutions: all in service to our agenda of ensuring contextual, relevant and localized knowledge as a driver of change. Our goal is to become a continental model for robust, policy-oriented, rigorous research that emphasizes synergy and collaboration.

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KwaZuluNatal (University of KwaZulu-Natal), and Dikgale	*South Africa*				https://www.ukzn.ac.za/
The Information Services at UKZN libraries strive to provide a proactive information service guided by user needs for all UKZN students, staff members and researchers; and visitors to the libraries. Subject librarians, who specialize in various subject areas and disciplines, are available in all libraries to provide - *· In-depth assistance and expertise* *· Advice on the use of suitable print and electronic resources* *· Literature searches* *· Research support* *Information officers are available in some libraries to provide specialist help with particular collections.* *Programmes in all libraries aim to develop and equip students with the information skills necessary to effectively locate library and information resources and to use these resources to enhance their research and learning. Subject librarians customize orientation and training sessions to the requirements of users and may take the form of -* *· Library tours* *· General library orientation* *· Online demonstrations* *· Interactive hands-on training* *· Group sessions* *· Individual assistance and training*					
Limpopo (University of Limpopo	*South Africa*				https://www.ul.ac.za/
Vision - To be a leading African University focused on the developmental needs of its communities and epitomising academic excellence and innovativeness *Mission - A University which responds actively: to the development needs of its students, staff and communities, through relevant and higher quality education and training, research and community engagement, and in partnership and collaboration with its stakeholders.* *Values: Accountability, Transparency, Integrity, Academic Freedom, Excellence and Professionalism*					

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The South African Data Archive at the National Research Foundation	*South Africa*				http://sada.nrf.ac.za/

Description: The South African Data Archive serves as a broker between a range of data providers (for example, statistical agencies, government departments, opinion and market research companies and academic institutions) and the research community. The archive does not only preserve data for future use, but all adds value to the collections. It safeguards datasets and related documentation and attempts to make it as easily accessible as possible for research and educational purposes. Existing research data can be an invaluable source for further studies. Such data are, however, currently scattered throughout the country. By preserving this research information in a single resource centre like SADA, unnecessary and costly duplication of research are decreased while the quality of the research findings is enhanced by using data from experienced researchers both locally and internationally. Objectives of SADA are to:
acquire and catalogue survey data and related information.
preserve such data against technological obsolescence and physical damage.
re-disseminate such information for use by other researchers, for re-analysis of data, longitudinal and comparative studies, research training, teaching and policy-making decision purposes.
formulate policies for the scope and content of data and data preservation.
promote the optimal use of data.
SADA adds value to its collections in the following ways:
Comprehensive machine-readable codebooks are developed, which include an abstract, sampling methodology and questionnaire. This documentation is published in open access on the data portal.
Metadata is added to the datasets and made accessible through electronic search and retrieval systems, for example Internet.
Advantages of data archiving
Data archives ensure that the depositors' work is protected from extinction, and whenever depositors need to make use of it, they would simply request it from the archive, which stores the data in an orderly and compact manner.
Data that has been archived can also be used to test or develop new theories, generalize or extend findings and/or answer new questions.
Archiving leads to data sharing across disciplines, often resulting in new methodologies and theories being developed.
Research students in particular, often have a limited time frame within which to complete their programmes. It would not be feasible to undertake a reasonably good project conducting primary research within such a limited time. In this respect, a data archive would provide an answer, matching research quality, costs and time.

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Statistics South Africa	*Salvokop, Pretoria*			*info@statssa.gov.za*	http://www.statssa.gov.za/
Description: Vision - To deliver: The South Africa I know, the home I understand. Mission - To lead and partner in statistical systems for evidence-based decisions.					
South African Social Attitudes Survey (SASAS)	*Human Sciences Research Council, Cape Town*				http://www.hsrc.ac.za/en/departments/sasas
Description: The South African Social Attitudes Survey (SASAS) is a nationally representative, repeated cross-sectional survey that has been conducted annually by the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC) since 2003. The survey series charts and explains the interaction between the country's changing institutions, its political and economic structures, and the attitudes, beliefs and behaviour patterns of its diverse populations. Designed as a time series, SASAS is increasingly providing a unique, long-term account of the speed and direction of change in underlying public values and the social fabric of modern South Africa. The HSRC was established in 1968 as South Africa's statutory research agency and has grown to become the largest dedicated research institute in the social sciences and humanities on the African continent. Link to ESS					
The National Library of Serbia	*Belgrade, Serbia*				https://www.nb.rs/?change_lang=en
Description: information on strategy or history not available on website.					
Matica Srpska	*Novi Sad, Serbia*				http://www.maticasrpska.org.rs/en/

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University Library "Svetozar Marković"	*Belgrade, Serbia*				http://ubsm.bg.ac.rs/engleski/

Description: University Library "Svetozar Markovic" is the oldest and largest university library in the country and the central library of the University of Belgrade. The library is intended primarily for students, teachers and researchers, but is open to all citizens. The library collection consists of the scientific and special publications, mostly in foreign languages, as well as electronic publications which can be accessed via the Academic Network.
Library building at 71 King Alexander Boulevard is the first building intentionally built as a library in Serbia in 1926 with donations from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Department of Folk Literature is located outside this building in the House of Vojislav Jovanovic Marambo in 24 Bircaninova Street.

University Library	*Kragujevac, Serbia*	*1977*			http://www.kg.ac.rs/eng/university_library.php

Description: The University Library in Kragujevac is a library of a generally scientific character, and its activity has the function of teaching, scientific and researching processes at the University. This is how it contributes to successful studying, spreading and affirmation of knowledge, teaching and scientific advanced training and creative work of professors and researchers on faculties and institutes of the University in Kragujevac. The Library users are, primarily, students, postgraduates, university professors, workers in the field of science, and all other citizens under special conditions.
The Library is situated in a part of the University complex, taking space of 1500m2, and it includes: the main reading room with 50 places for readers and 10 places for free Internet access, periodical reading room with 20 places for readers, several storage rooms (depots) for storing publications, working offices for employees and University Gallery.
The active Library holdings total around 100.000 copies of domestic and foreign books, 2.500 copies of doctoral dissertations and master theses, defended on faculties of the University in Kragujevac, as well as 450 titles of domestic and 105 titles of foreign journals. A reference collection of domestic and foreign references is of special importance (encyclopaedias, dictionaries, reference books, bibliographies) as well as several legacies of important institutions of this town and of outstanding people of this region. All Library holdings have been catalogued, they are in computer base of the Library and are available to users.
Following contemporary tendencies in library science, the Library has accepted a unique user software package COBISS. The software is an organizational model of connecting library and information system, with mutual cataloguing, mutual bibliography and catalogue database (COBIB) and local databases of libraries which are members of Virtual Libraries of Serbia (VBS). The COBISS system is based on on-line communications which are conducted via Internet, i.e. Academic network to which the Library is connected. In that way, numerous databases are available to users via KoBSON (consortium of libraries in Serbia for united acquisitions), the license of which has been provided by the Department of Science and Environmental Conservation. One hundred and sixty libraries have been connected via COBISS system so far on the territory of Serbia Republic.

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University Library "Nikola Tesla"	Nis, Serbia	1967			http://www.ubnt.ni.ac.rs/english

Description: Nis University Library "Nikola Tesla" is located in the south part of the University building. It is a general–purpose scientific library designed to meet the learning, teaching and researching needs of the academic population. Furthermore, it has grown into a modern documentation-information center, the greatest in the southeast of Serbia, capable of providing comprehensive services to the widest public. The library was founded in 1967. Since 1978 it has been named after the great scientist Nikola Tesla. It provides the users with any information needed, including bibliographic search, inter-library loan services and user education. The library material can be used in one of the several reading rooms, with more than a hundred seats.

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Library of the Academy and Community of university libraries SANU	Belgrade, Serbia	1841			https://www.sanu.ac.rs/en/sasa-library/

Description: The SASA Library is one of the units of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts. It is managed by a director appointed by the SASA Presidency from among the ranks of SASA members. The Library also has a Professional Council, comprised of representatives of all SASA departments and the Library Director.
The Library was established at the same time as the Society of Serbian Letters, on November 7, 1841. It started working on June 14, 1842, when it received its first books from Dimitrije Tirol. Its first librarian was Konstantin Bogdanović.
The Library holdings contain around 1,500,000 books, periodicals and other printed and digital editions from all fields of science and art. Of all the libraries in Serbia, the SASA Library owns the largest collection of foreign books. By its holdings, the Library is believed to be the fourth largest in Serbia. Its holdings have mostly been expanded through exchange with foreign institutions. The Library does not have legal deposit, but exchanges publications with over 800 academies, universities and related institutions at home and abroad.
The Library also expands its collections through purchases and donations; thus, its holdings are increased by around 8,000 publications annually.

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The State Statistical Office	*Skopje, North Macedonia*				http://www.stat.gov.mk/
Description: The State Statistical Office is specialised and independent organisation within the state administration in the Republic of North Macedonia. The basic functions of the institution are collecting, processing and disseminating statistical data about the demographic, social and economic situation of the Macedonian society. Besides that, the State Statistical Office is the primary bearer and coordinator of the statistical system of the country, the responsible institution for international cooperation in the field of statistics, for defining the statistical methodologies and standards, as well as for providing protection of the individual data collected from individual persons and legal entities. The State Statistical Office is realising its activity in accordance to the Law on State Statistics (1997, 2007, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018) together with the other participants in the statistical system of the country defined in the Programme for Statistical Surveys (2018-2022). Official statistics is produced in accordance to the principles of impartiality, expert independence, objectivity, rationality and individual data protection. The strategic objectives and the basic values are defined in the Strategic Plan, 2018-2020 and according to this document the vision of the State Statistical Office is to be recognised as an institution that provides quality, timely and internationally comparable statistical data. The State Statistical Office is located in Skopje and 288 persons work in the institution (195 in the Central Office in Skopje and 93 persons in 8 regional offices).					
National and University Library	*Skopje, North Macedonia*	*1944*			https://www.cenl.org/library/national-and-university-library-st-kliment-ohridski/
Description: As an addition to its basic role as a National Library, the Library carries out scientific activities for the state university St. Cyril and Methodius and several private universities in Skopje. Also, it functions as a central library headquarters and educational centre, hence having the role of coordinator all the libraries within the territory of the Republic of North Macedonia. At the same time, it functions as a national bibliographic referral centre, r&d centre for librarianship, information sciences and it has a core role in developing the organisation's information system on a national level. In addition, it is the centre for restoration and conservation of library materials of the RNM, National centre for ISSN, National Agency for ISBN, International Agency for ISMN, Centre for international landing of library materials and E-CRIS. In line with the Law for culture of the Republic North Macedonia, the National and University Library is identified as institution that works on preservation, digitization and promotion of the national written cultural heritage.					

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Public university "Goce Delchev»	*Stip, North Macedonia*	*2007*		contact@ugd.edu.mk	https://www.ugd.edu.mk/index.php/en/

Description: Goce Delchev University in Shtip was established by the Assembly of the Republic of Macedonia on 27 March 2007. Its mission is to create and transfer knowledge for providing social and economic wellbeing and progress of the society, preparing students for professions in which the application of scientific discoveries and professional knowledge, cultural and language diversity, promotion of technological development, development of arts, technical culture and sport is required. Promoting and developing scientific disciplines present in the study programmes, in accordance with the requirements of the region and the country. Preserving and building up dignity of profession, developing and promoting moral values in the academic community, promoting knowledge as a value and sense of responsibility of the University as institution of the highest human values.

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The Macedonian academic research network (MARNET)	*Skopje, North Macedonia*	*2010*	*academic network*		http://marnet.mk/en/

Description: MARnet is a public institution that performs activities of public interest. It is established by passing of the Law of establishing the Macedonian academic research network – MARnet, which is adopted and published on 20.09.2010 in the Official Gazette br.124. With that MARnet acquired status of legal entity by registering in the Central Register of the Republic of Macedonia. With the appointment of the director MARnet officially starts with its work. MARnet mission is to provide services on a national level and international connectivity of Macedonian academic research network and educational community and support their research and educational activities; promoting and disseminating the use of information and communication technologies especially in the academic and research sector; maintenance and management of the national domain name system, international representation and membership; development of policy and development of the national academic network.

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Nauka.mk	Skopje, North Macedonia				http://www.nauka.mon.gov.mk/en
The Human Rights Centre of the University of Sarajevo	Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina	1996			http://hrc.unsa.ba

Description: As the member of the University of Sarajevo, the Centre shares the vision provided in the text of the University of Sarajevo Institutional Development Plan. In the next decade we see University as: the main carrier of the life learning education system in society focusing on strengthening of post-graduate programmes (scientific and expert) relevant for social development as well as attractive and concurrent to European territory strong and recognisable centre of scientific and artistic work that will gather domestic and international teams on challenging and high-graded projects the key place in country for the development of evaluation model and ensuring quality in high-level education.

Analitika – Center for Social Research	Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina	2009	non-profit NGO		http://analitika.ba

Description: Center for Social Research Analitika is a non-profit, non-governmental organization established in July 2009, and based in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. The mission of Analitika is to enhance the public policy process by conducting socially relevant, high quality research. In its research, the organization places great importance on the application of contemporary research methods, analytical capacities, competence and experience of its researchers, as well as rigorous external peer review procedures for its publications. Analitika's areas of research include rule of law, public administration reform with a focus on local self-government, and media and communication. SEEDS project (South-Eastern European Data Services, http://seedsproject.ch), which include FORS and ADP, two CESSDA ERIC service providers.

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PHAIDRA (Permanent Hosting, Archiving and Indexing of Digital Resources and Assets)	*Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina*		*institutional repository system for permanent archiving*	support.phaidra@univie.ac.at	http://phaidra.ba
The National and University Library of Bosnia and Herzegovina	*Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina*	1945	*Repository for scientific work*	ured.direktora@nub.ba	http://nub.ba
Description: One-stop access to libraries in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Searching for and reserving material in the shared catalogue of libraries Bosnia and Herzegovina and catalogues of individual libraries. Linked with the Slovenian Current Research Information System (SCIRIS), and LIBER – association of European Research Libraries					
National and University Library of the Republic of Srpska	*Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina*	1936	*Repository for scientific work*		http://nub.rs

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The Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Bosnia-Herzegovina				http://bhas.ba
Description: Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina is statistics collected, processed and disseminated to implement statistical programs or other statistics required for Bosnia and Herzegovina. There are three statistical institutes within the Bosnia and Herzegovina. According to the law on statistics, the competent authorities for organizing, producing and disseminating statistics are: the Agency for statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina at the level of the state, (BHAS), the Federal Office of Statistics for the Entity of Federation of Bosnia Herzegovina (FZS) and the Republika Srpska Institute of Statistics for the Entity of Republika Srpska (RZSRS). In addition to the three statistical institutions, the Central Bank of BIH compiles monetary and balance of payments and financial statistics for BIH (CBBiH).					
The Institute for Statistics of the Federation of BiH				E-mail: fedstat@fzs.ba	www.fzs.ba
The Institute for Statistics of the Republic of Srpska					http://rzs.rs.ba
Description: The Republika Srpska Institute of Statistics is a republic administrative unit of Republika Srpska whose main task is to produce official statistical data for all categories of users, from the Government and other bodies, business systems, institutions of science, to the general public and individuals. MISSION - The mission of the Institute of Statistics is to provide reliable, high-quality, comprehensive, timely and internationally comparable statistical data, which meet the requirements of decision-makers, researchers and other domestic and international users, while at the same time presenting the situation and changes in the economic, demographic and social area, environment protection and natural resources. Collection, processing, analysis and dissemination of statistical data are carried out in accordance with statistical standards and modern technology, respecting the protection of statistical confidentiality, optimal use of resources and sensible burden on respondents. VISION - The Republika Srpska Institute of Statistics achieved complete harmonisation with international statistical standards and principles of the European Statistics Code of Practice, through the strengthening of its professional capacity and infrastructure and the adoption and application of the best statistical practices, respecting fundamental values such as professionalism, independence, impartiality and openness. Users are equally provided with relevant and high-quality statistical data and services, while the burden on respondents is moderate and proportional to the needs of users.					

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Computer Center of the University of Sarajevo	Sarajevo	1966			http://utic.ba

Description: The UTIC University Tele-Information Center was founded in 1996 by an act of the University of Sarajevo. From day one, the Center actively contributes to raising the quality of education, both at the University of Sarajevo and across BiH, primarily through the implementation of modern information and communication technologies in the education system and facilitates the exchange of information and knowledge between the research and higher education community, its partners in world and environment. UTIC binds the members of the University of Sarajevo in a unique information and communication structure, thus fulfilling the role of a specific integrator of the University. We strive to encourage coordinated development of the education system in BiH by connecting universities, secondary and elementary schools.
UTIC was the first Internet service provider in BiH and is the only authorized name administrator. BA domain. In its 20 years of existence, UTIC has gained the trust of the academic community of the University of Sarajevo, as well as thousands of satisfied users across BiH and abroad. At the Center we cooperate daily with the educational institutions of the Cantons of Sarajevo and BiH. We have thousands of students, organizations, institutions and individuals at our disposal, determined to believe that everyone has the right to live in the information age.

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Archives of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Bosnia-Herzegovina	1947			http://arhivbih.gov.ba

Description: The Archives of Bosnia-Herzegovina, the first modern archival institution in Bosnia-Herzegovina is established 1947. by decision of The Government of Peoples Republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina No. 1061 on December 12, 1947. Nowadays this date is known as Archives Day in Bosnia-Herzegovina. From 1965, by provision of Archives Act, name of this institution is changed into Archives of Bosnia-Herzegovina. Today, in the independent state of Bosnia-Herzegovina, Archives works under this name. Although archival service, as organised activity for preservation, protection and professional procession of archives in Bosnia-Herzegovina started in 1947, in Bosnia-Herzegovina there is significant tradition of preservation and keeping archives. In absence of archival institutions, a lot of archives have been kept by libraries, museums and other institutions, and also by particular persons. Many of B. H. Archives are raised from funds of libraries and museums. Although the number of these institutions in past was small, and they did not pay attention on records today known as public archives, without these institutions many of archives would not been saved.

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CESSI (Institute for comparative social research)	Russia				http://cessi.ru/

CESSI (Institute for comparative social research) is a marketing, public opinion and survey research organization in post Soviet region. They work in Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, Kazakhstan, other Central Asia and Transcaucasian countries. CESSI offers field services in different survey modes and different samples (general population - national, regional, municipal samples, special groups of population – customers, stakeholders, government, media, business clients and providers, in hall testing).

Table A8.2. Initiatives in countries not included in the regional approach employed and with which the European RIs and initiatives have ongoing links are also included

Country	Name of initiative	Website	Links with European RI/initiative
India	LASI - The Longitudinal Aging Study in India	https://lasi.hsph.harvard.edu/	SHARE ERIC
India	Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad	https://www.iima.ac.in/web/iima	WageIndicator Survey
Korea	KLoSA - The Korean Longitudinal Study of Aging	https://www.nia.nih.gov/research/resource/korean-longitudinal-study-aging-klosa	SHARE ERIC
Mexico	MHAS - Mexican Health and Aging Study	http://www.mhasweb.org/	(SHARE E RIC)
Mexico	ITAM - Departemento Academico de Economia	http://departamentodeeconomia.itam.mx/	WageIndicator Survey