Useful Online Databases

US Census Bureau

https://data.census.gov/cedsci/

US Centers for Disease Control

https://www.cdc.gov/datastatistics/

The General Social Survey

Conducted since 1972, GSS contains a standard core of demographic, behavioral, and attitudinal questions, plus topics of special interest. Among the topics covered are civil liberties, crime and violence, intergroup tolerance, morality, national spending priorities, psychological well-being, social mobility, and stress and traumatic events.

https://gss.norc.org/Get-The-Data

Stanford Education Data Archive

SEDA includes a range of detailed data on educational conditions, contexts, and outcomes in schools and school districts across the United States.

https://exhibits.stanford.edu/data/catalog/db586ns4974

FiveThirtyEight

Publishes exciting data-driven news and essays in the areas of politics, sports, and economics.

https://data.fivethirtyeight.com/

World Inequality Database

Wealth and income distributions of countries around the globe by year. Features an interface allowing the user to easily select exactly what data they want.

https://wid.world/data/

US Bureau of Labor Statistics

https://www.bls.gov/data/tools.htm

Kaggle

A website hosting and organizing user-submitted datasets and documentation, with a great variety of topics.

https://www.kaggle.com/datasets

Statista

Clean, simple datasets of various types. Requires registration for all datasets, and paid subscription for a portion of datasets.

https://www.statista.com/

OECD Data

Compare statistics from many arenas of civic life between member states of The Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development. The OECD comprises 38 of the world's wealthiest, most highly developed countries. This database is of a manageable size, and it is easy to find topics of interest and extract only what is needed.

https://stats.oecd.org/