Data Science for Public Policy

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Please let me know if any of the links are broken or if you have any recommended additions to this list.

Federal Surveys and Releases

- American Community Survey
- Current Population Survey
- Home Mortgage Disclosure Act Data
- National Health Interview Survey
- Survey of Income and Program Participation
- Survey of Consumer Finances

Data Portals

- Bureau of Justice Statistics
- CDC Data
- Data.gov
- FBI Uniform Crime Reporting
- FiveThirtyEight Data
- FRED: Federal Reserve Economic Data
- HUD Data
- IMF Data
- Pew Data Center
- Urban Institute Data Catalog
- Urban Institute Education Data Portal
- U.S. Energy Atlas
- World Bank Open Data
- State open data portals
 - California Open Data Portal
 - DC Open Data Portal
 - Virginia Open Data Portal

Other Sources

- Capital Bikeshare
- Tidy Tuesday

Reproducibility Data Sets

One approach to the project is to find a paper with traditional statistical methods and extend the paper with methods covered in class.

• Harvard Dataverse

Data Collection

Create your own data set with data skills like web scraping, hand coding and imputing, text analysis, and Amazon's Mechanical Turk.