

Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe (SHARE)

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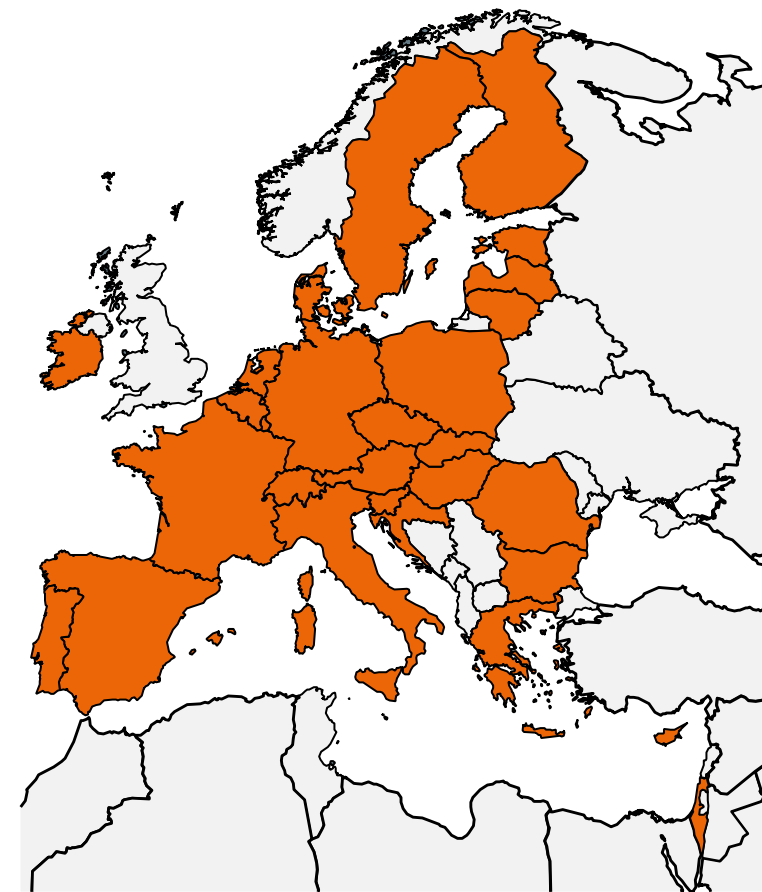
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SHARE in a Nutshell

Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe

- Biennial representative cross-national household panel survey of 50+ population in 27 European countries & Israel
- Started in 2004, Wave 10 fieldwork started in 2024 (face-to-face)
- Around 616.000 face-to-face interviews with over 160.000 respondents
- Two additional SHARE Corona Surveys (2020 and 2021) by phone
- Ex-ante harmonisation – centralised procurement, questionnaire development, sampling, data collection instrument, and database management
- Broad range of topics (e.g., health, economic and living conditions, social relationships) and (objective physical) measures
- Free data access for researchers: <http://www.share-eric.eu>



Multidisciplinary Research

MULTIDISCIPLINARY

- **Economic situation**

Labor force participation, income, wealth, assets, consumption, pension benefits, housing

- **Health situation**

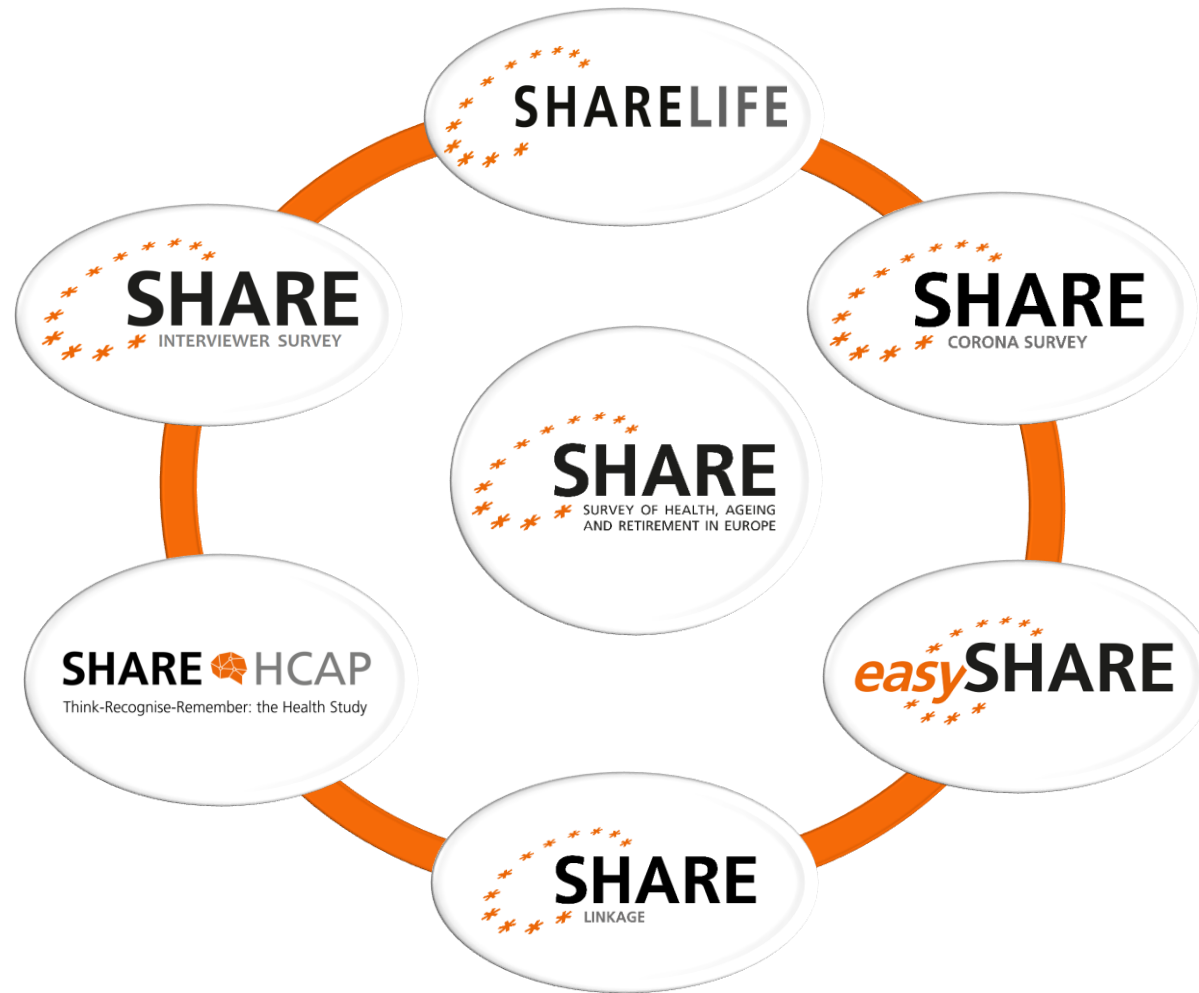
Physical health, mental health, cognition, well-being, frailty, (instrumental) activities of daily living, health behaviors, health insurance coverage

- **Social integration**

Social activities, volunteering, family and social networks, informal help and care



Special Datasets in SHARE



SHARE Linkage

Linked data is available for four countries:



German Pension Insurance

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Statistics Denmark

Linkage SHARE NL

Statistics Netherlands

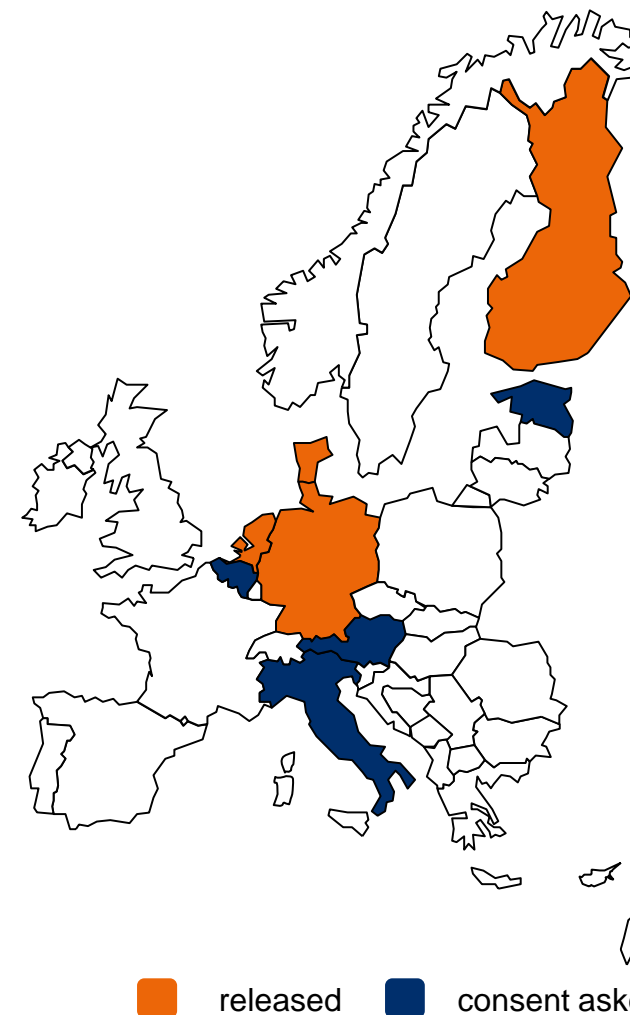
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Statistics Finland

More projects in progress:

- Austria: Austrian Micro Data Centre (AMDC)
- Belgium: Belgian Statistical Office (Statbel)
- Estonia: Statistics Estonia
- Italy: Italian Social Security Institute (INPS)
- Germany: Institute for Employment Research (IAB)

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SHARE Interviewer Survey

	Wave 5	Wave 6	Wave 7	Wave 9
Austria				
Belgium				
Bulgaria				
Croatia				
Cyprus				
Denmark				
Estonia				
Finland				
France				
Germany				
Greece				
Hungary				
Italy				
Latvia				
Lithuania				
Luxembourg				
Malta				
Netherlands				
Poland				
Portugal				
Romania				
Slovakia				
Slovenia				
Spain				
Sweden				

METHODOLOGY



Voluntary and confidential participation for interviewers

Mode of interview: Web survey

Invitation letters to interviewers included a survey link and unique login code



Timing: The interviewer surveys are conducted before fieldwork begins to ensure that the responses are not influenced by fieldwork experiences



easySHARE



■ What it is

- Simplified dataset to build experience with quantitative analyses of complex survey data
- Student training

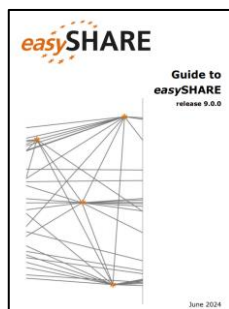
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■ What you get

- Cross-country panel dataset on all respondents and of all currently released data collection waves
- Subset of ready-to-analyse variables
- Simplified data structure, ready to use single file (no merging)

■ Main features

- Release Guide with detailed description of all variables in the dataset and exemplary analysis (Stata, SPSS, and R)
- Stata Code that generates easySHARE



Data
access



SHARE Data

SHARE data are provided free of charge after individual registration:

1. Read the SHARE Conditions of Use and agree (e.g. scientific affiliation needed)
2. Download, fill out and sign the SHARE User Statement
3. Submit the completed and signed Statement(s) by email or mail

www.share-eric.eu/data/become-a-user

- SHARE Release 9.0.0 out since March 2024
 - ✓ All SHARE waves 1-9
 - ✓ SHARE Corona Surveys I and II
 - ✓ Wave 8 refresher households



SHARE Data Release 9.0.0

New SHARE data release available
including data from
SHARE Wave 9



Thanks!

Have you got any questions?

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