Accessing LFS and APS data via the UK Data Service

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Introduction to the Labour Force Survey and Annual Population Survey

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What we'll cover

- Introduction and accessing EUL data
- What do you do if you think you need Secure Access data?
- Remote access to controlled data via the UK Data Service's Secure Lab

What is the UK Data Service?

- Resource funded by the ESRC
- Access to a wide range of secondary social science data
- Support, training and guidance
- ukdataservice.ac.uk

How we work

- Communication via helpdesk – queries directed to right team internally
- Teams
  - Access (University of Essex)
  - User Support and training (for LFS at University of Manchester, Cathie Marsh Institute)
  - Secure Access/Secure Lab (University of Essex)

Series records

- [Annual Population Survey](#)
- [Labour Force Survey](#)
- What?
  - Information about each series as a whole
  - Links to all the datasets, grouped by type
    - Quarterly Labour Force Survey

Catalogue records

- Example: [Quarterly Labour Force Survey, October - December, 2020](#)
- What?
  - Abstract and study details
  - Documentation
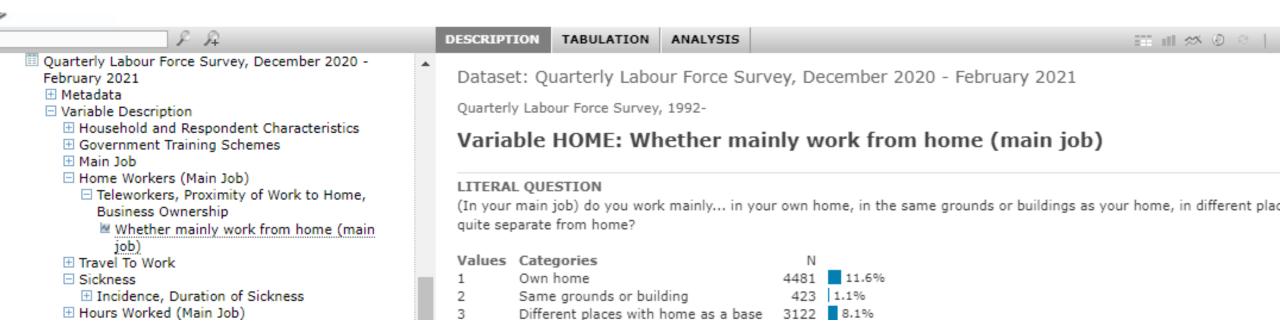 - Access data
  - Citation

Licenses

- LFS and APS made available under two licenses
  - End User License
  - Secure access

Accessing EUL data

- Register with UK Data Service
- Project to record use
- Download in preferred format
- Zip file with data and documentation

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- Online browsing of data

- Simple analyses (tables, correlation)

- Download data

Cite data

- Citations on catalogue page
- For multiple datasets, cite from the series page:
  - Office for National Statistics, Social Survey Division, Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency, Central Survey Unit. (2021). *Quarterly Labour Force Survey*, 1992-2020. [data collection]. UK Data Service. Series page: http://doi.org/10.5255/UKDA-SN-8738-2

Questions

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