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## Introduction

This stage will:

- Help you decide whether your research is ethical
- Explain key ethical concepts, such as informed consent and anonymity
- Explain the process for gaining ethical approval to conduct your research

*For the social science researcher, issues of ethics and safety are of great importance, and should remain in the front of your mind when planning and carrying out research. We must take regard for the safety and well-being of the people we work with, just as we expect other people (and the institutions we work for) to take care of us.*

*This part of the tool will help you think about what it means to research ethically and safely and will lead you to additional resources to find out more.*

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