# Where to get data for term papers?

For your first term paper you are going to estimate a Rotterdam or AIDS model, or both. Hence, you need data for at least 3 products. The data has to contain prices and quantities (or revenue = price x quantity), or expenditure shares and prices.

You can obtain data from published papers available online, which you can use for replication. Alternatively, you can access data from public sources such as SSB. Below are some examples of data sources.

#### Source 1: Dominick's Dataset



The Dominick's Data is available at:

https://www.chicagobooth.edu/research/kilts/datasets/dominicks

You can choose one of the CATEGORY-SPECIFIC FILES. There is a link to <u>a data manual</u> (pdf)

Please note that it is more than 500 pages, and you only need the first 28 pages if you would like to print it.

Find a category you are interested in.

Download the upc.csv and movement.csv files.

For this example, I downloaded the Beer data files. The following R code will guide you through one example. Note that the most important issue is to pick/aggregate relevant products, and handle missing data if you have that.

The customer count file includes information about in-store traffic.

# THE CUSTOMER COUNT FILE

The demographics file consists of store-specific demographic data.

## THE STORE-LEVEL DEMOGRAPHICS FILE

At a more advanced level, it is possible to merge this information into each transaction, based on store id.

### **Source 2: AEA Journals**

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#### https://www.aeaweb.org/journals/

Has several top tier journals that provide data (sometimes cod) from papers.

There is a searchable engine here: <a href="https://ejd.econ.mathematik.uni-ulm.de/">https://ejd.econ.mathematik.uni-ulm.de/</a>

**Example: Wine data** 

# Do Expert Reviews Affect the Demand for Wine?

Richard Friberg Erik Grönqvist

AMERICAN ECONOMIC JOURNAL: APPLIED ECONOMICS VOL. 4, NO. 1, JANUARY 2012 (pp. 193-211)

#### https://www.aeaweb.org/articles?id=10.1257/app.4.1.193

This is a link to the readme data pdf file and online appendix. Note that you have to register at OPENICPSR to be able to download the data.

Step 1: Click on Data set

# **Additional Materials**

<u>Data Set (25.61 MB)</u>



Online Appendix (127.49 KB)

Step 2: Click on Data



Step 3: Download data (here you have to register for free).

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Store the data where you can read it from R.

The following R code uses the data, does some simplistic data wrangling, and makes a simple data frame that could have been used in a project.

# **Source 3: Journal of Applied Econometrics**

The



https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10991255

Start searching for "keywords", this is the journal search for <u>demand system</u>. Once you have identified an author + year, there is a searchable "author" engine here: <a href="http://qed.econ.queensu.ca/jae/authors.html">http://qed.econ.queensu.ca/jae/authors.html</a>

**Example: Gasoline demand** 

The paper <a href="https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/jae.2651">https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/jae.2651</a>

Here is the associated data: <a href="http://qed.econ.queensu.ca/jae/2014-v29.2/chang-serletis/">http://qed.econ.queensu.ca/jae/2016-v31.3/ho-huynh-jacho-chavez/</a>

# Some public sources:

#### 1. SSB data

SSB is the official statistics of Norway. You can get a lot of information from here. However, I guess most of you will work with import or export data. Then the link is given as flowing. Since it is pretty easy and straightforward to download the SSB data. I will not extend the discussion on how to use the data here.

https://www.ssb.no/statistikkbanken/selecttable/hovedtabellHjem.asp?KortNavnWeb=muh&CMSSubjectArea=utenriksokonomi&checked=true

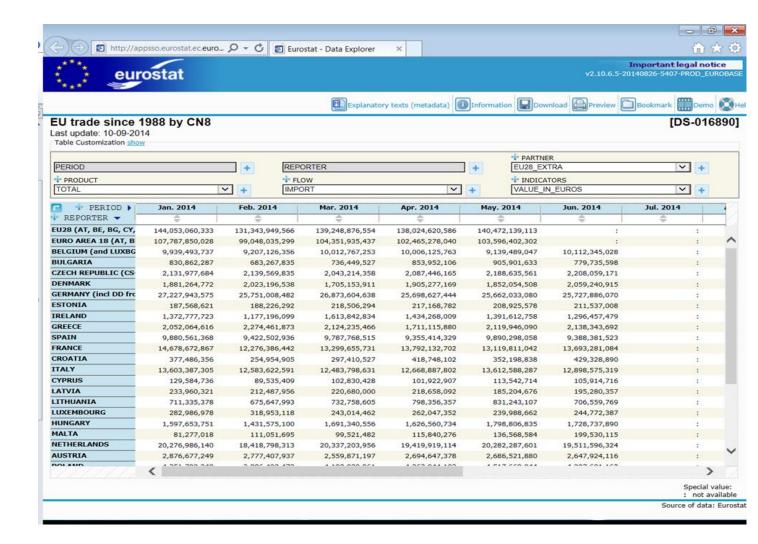
#### 2. Eurostat trade data

If you want to work with the EU import market (can be one of the EU members), you can try this link to Eurostat dataset. Here is an example how to access to trade data.

#### http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/newxtweb/

If I click this link, chose EU trade since 1988 by CN8 (you are free to select data by yourselves), I get the following pasted dataset. Click the "+" button just beside product-total, you get data in very detail, products associate with the Combined Nomenclature (CN), which corresponds to the Harmonized System (HS) plus a further breakdown at 8-digit Level; You can work with more aggregated level by just extending the product tree less, not until 8-digit.

Choose flow as import, since import is a derived demand from the EU consumption. You can click the right button "+" beside reporter to select the country and region (market) that you want to analyze, for example, French import market; You can click "+" beside partner to specify where the goods come from, e.g., US; Click "+" beside indicators to get volume and price; Click "+" beside period to choose the sample periods; The presentation of the table can also be changed according to your preferences. I hope you will investigate a little bit more by yourselves.



# 3. International Trade Committee (ITC) US

If you want to work with the USA import market, you can try this link to ITC data. http://dataweb.usitc.gov/

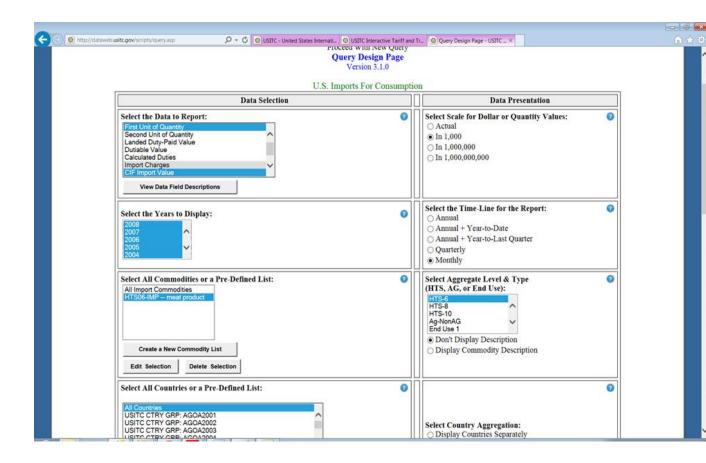
You have to create a user name and login in by your user name. It is free and takes only one or two minutes.

**Step 1**: select U.S import for consumption since this data is most close to consumer demand. Choose HTS items, since US has many different versions of data.

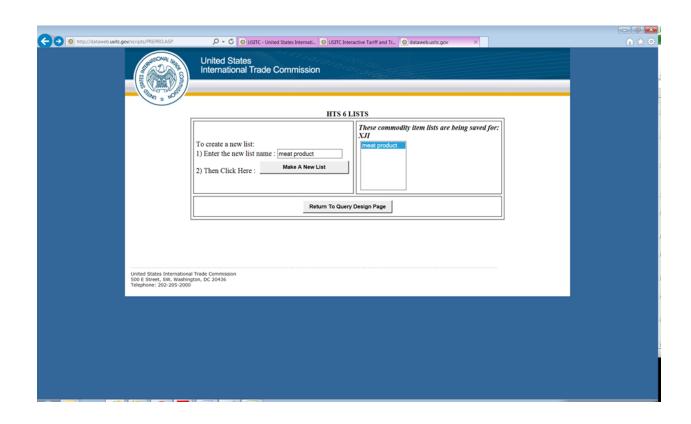


**Step 2:** Select the data to report both first unit of quantity and CIF import value, price can be computed by Value/quantity. Select aggregate level of HTS-6, since HTS-2 and HTS-4 cannot provide monthly or quarterly data. Keep all the options in an aggregate level unless you have your own specific interesting.

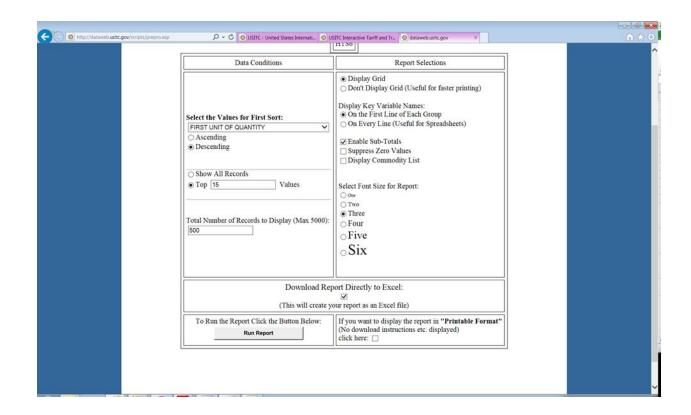
Most tricky thing is "Select All Commodities or a Pre-Defined List", click "Create a New Commodity List" and then we go to Step 3.



**Step 3:** In the "Enter the new list name", you type the commodity group that you like. For example here, I typed meat product, and named it as the meat product (or another name you like) in the right side. By doing that, you will get a list of meat products that you would like to include.



Step 4: Clike Download Report Directly to Excel



You get the data in excel form:

