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Data sources for a thesis

1.) Social Science Research **Data Compilation**, created by Todd R. Jones and co.
This is a compilation of free datasets useful for research, data visualization, etc. Most of the datasets are publicly available, but some aren't and require data agreements:
https://github.com/toddrjones/datasets#inflation-and-cost-of-living

2.) The Socio-Economic Panel (SOEP):
https://www.diw.de/en/diw_01.c.678568.en/research_data_center_soep.html
- data can be downloaded after signing a data distribution contract https://www.diw.de/en/diw_01.c.601584.en/data_access.html
- observational unit: individuals and households (panel data)
- time horizon: 1984-2020 (every year)
- countries: Germany
- topics: demography and population; housing and expenditures; education, qualification and training; work and employment; income, social security, and taxes; family and social networks; attitudes and values; health and health care; time use and environmental behavior; integration and migration
- detailed information: http://companion.soep.de/index.html
- codebook: on corresponding page of the dataset

3.) Mikrozensus (Statistische Ämter des Bundes und der Länder – Forschungsdatenzentren):
https://www.forschungsdatenzentrum.de/en
- data can be downloaded after registration (public and campus files) campus-file-fdz.nrw.de
- observational unit: individuals / households (cross-sectional data)
- time horizon: selected years
- countries: Germany (FRG and GDR before 1990)
- topics: (micro) census, health, education, income, time use, social assistance statistics
- codebook: on corresponding page (dropdown menu) of the dataset
(most of the data and descriptions are only available in German)

4.) Nationales Bildungspanel (NEPS):
https://www.neps-data.de/Mainpage
- data can be downloaded after signing a data use agreement https://www.neps-data.de/Data-Center/Data-and-Documentation
- observational unit: individuals (panel data)
- time horizon: 2010/2011-present (every year)
- countries: Germany (federal states)
- topics: educational processes and competence development
- codebook: on corresponding page of the dataset

5.) US Bureau of Labor Statistics (Consumer Expenditure Surveys):
https://www.bls.gov/cex/pumd.htm

- data can be downloaded after selecting years https://www.bls.gov/cex/pumd_data.htm
- observational unit: individuals (cross-sectional data)
- time horizon: 1981-2021 (every year (data of 2 surveys))
- countries: USA
- topics: expenditures, income, demographic characteristics
- codebook: https://www.bls.gov/cex/pumd/ce_pumd_interview_diary_dictionary.xlsx

6.) Allgemeine Bevölkerungsumfrage der Sozialwissenschaften (ALLBUS): https://www.gesis.org/allbus/allbus - data can be downloaded after registration https://www.gesis.org/allbus/download
- observational unit: individuals (cross-sectional data + cumulations)
- time horizon: 1980-2018 (every 2 years)
- countries: Germany
- topics: demography, employment, education, family and household characteristics, use of media, economic assessment (individual and general level), political attitudes, attitudes towards several topics (main topics vary over time)
- codebook: on corresponding page of the dataset

7.) International Social Survey Program (ISSP): https://www.gesis.org/en/issp/home - data can be downloaded after registration https://issp.org/data-download/by-year/
- observational unit: individuals (cross-sectional data + cumulations)
- time horizon: 1985-2020 (every year)
- countries: many countries all over the world (sample differs from year to year)
- topics: attitudes towards several topics (e.g. Environment, Citizenship, Health, Family, …) (main topic varies over time)
- codebook: on corresponding page of the dataset

8.) European Values Study (EVS): https://europeanvaluesstudy.eu/
- data can be downloaded after registration https://europeanvaluesstudy.eu/methodology-data-documentation/data-and-documentation/
- observational unit: individuals (cross-sectional data)
- time horizon: 1981-2017 (every 9 years)
- countries: several European countries
- topics: human values regarding life, family, work, religion, politics, society, environment
- codebook: on corresponding page of the dataset

9.) American Community Survey (ACS): https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs
- data can be downloaded after choosing variables of interest + geographic unit https://data.census.gov/mdat/#/
- observational unit: individuals (cross-sectional data)
- time horizon: 2004-2020 (every year)
- countries: USA (region, division, state, area)
- topics: population and housing information
- codebook: on corresponding page of the dataset

10.) US Bureau of Labor Statistics (American Time Use Survey):

https://www.bls.gov/tus/home.htm - data can be downloaded after selecting years https://www.bls.gov/tus/data.htm
- observational unit: individuals (cross-sectional data)
- time horizon: 2003-2021 (every year)
- countries: USA
- topics: time people spend on various activities (work, childcare, socializing, …)
- codebook: https://www.bls.gov/tus/documents.htm

11.) IPUMS (other datasets):
https://www.ipums.org/
- data can be downloaded after registration (link depends on the dataset)
- observational unit: individuals / households (cross-sectional and longitudinal data)
- codebook: on corresponding page of the dataset
- collection of census data of >100 countries (different time horizons)
- historical and contemporary US health survey data from 1963-present
- US survey data on the science and engineering workforce from 1993-present
- health survey data (also demographic data) for Africa and Asia from 1980-present
- US time use survey data from 1930 onwards

12.) Google Dataset Search:
https://datasetsearch.research.google.com/
- search for publicly available datasets for specific topics

13.) Registry of Research Data Repositories: https://www.re3data.org/
- search data for a specific topic

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