Statista

>   Statista integrates statistical data on over 80,000 topics from over 22,000 sources onto a single platform, providing researchers direct access to quantitative data on media, business, finance, politics, and a wide variety of other areas of interest or markets. It also provides data on market forecasts, white paper studies, dossiers, industry reports, digital market outlooks and consumer market outlooks. A great tip is to follow the links to the source for more information on the data!

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research

>   Access to social science data files, including coverage of such topics as population, economics, education, health, social and political behavior/attitudes, terrorism, history, crime, aging, and substance abuse. Direct downloading is available. Registration with a MyData account is required for most data file downloads. The data files require statistical software (e.g., SAS, SPSS, Stata) to manipulate the data. Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR): Getting Started

Cross-National Time-Series Data Archive

>   Cross-National Time-Series Data Archive (1815-2016): This dataset contains more than 200 years of annual political, legislative and economic data from 1815 onward, covering over 200 countries and 196 variables used by academic, government, finance and media. Data is Excel format.

World Bank Open Data: The World Bank's Open Data initiative is intended to provide all users with access to World Bank data. The data catalog is a listing of available World Bank data sources.

UN Data: Users can search and download a variety of statistical resources compiled by the United Nations (UN) statistical system and other international agencies.

International Monetary Fund (IMF) eLibrary: Provides access to the IMF's periodicals, books, working papers and studies, and data and statistical tools.

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) i-Library: Online library of the OECD, including its books, papers and statistics, which serves as the knowledge base of OECD's analysis and data.

Eurostat: Produces European statistics in partnership with National Statistical Institutes and other national authorities in the EU Member States.

CEPALSTAT: The gateway to all the statistical information of Latin America and the Caribbean countries collected, systematized and published by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean.

Quality of Government Institute: The main objective of the institute's research is to address the theoretical and empirical problem of how political institutions of high quality can be created and maintained, and the effects of quality of government on a number of policy areas, such as health, the environment, social policy, and poverty. The Standard Data includes over 2000 coded variables divided into sixteen thematic

categories such as Quality of Government, Economy, Media, Environment, and Political System etc. Read the Codebook to determine if the variable you need is covered in the dataset.

Database of Political Institutions: Presents institutional and electoral results data such as measures of checks and balances, tenure and stability of the government, identification of party affiliation and ideology, and fragmentation of opposition and government parties in the legislature, among others. The current version of the database, hosted by the Inter-American Development Bank, expands its coverage to about 180 countries for 40 years, 1975-2017.

Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI): Provides 5 datasets that center on multilateral peace operations; military expenditures; arms transfers and arms embargoes; and national reports on arms exports.

Global Terrorism Database: An open-source database including information on terrorist events around the world from 1970 through 2018.

ACLED (Armed Conflict Location and Events Dataset): Collects real-time data on the locations, dates, actors, fatalities, and types of all reported political violence and protest events across Africa, East Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia, the Middle East, Central Asia & the Caucasus, Latin America & the Caribbean, and Southeastern & Eastern Europe & the Balkans.

Harvard Dataverse: https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataverse/harvard

Harvard Dataverse is a service of Harvard Library that allows you to share, preserve, cite, explore, and analyze research data.

China Economic Database: https://www.bruegel.org/dataset/china-economic-database

Repository of the most relevant macroeconomic data for China and EU-China relations.

DART-Europe E-theses Portal (DEEP) https://www.dart-europe.org/

Access to 417,149 full-text research theses from 541 universities sourced from 27 European countries (as of 09/2013). Provides researchers with a single European Portal for Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETDs). DART-Europe is a partnership of research libraries and library consortia working together to improve global access to European research theses.

Afrobarometer https://www.afrobarometer.org/

The Afrobarometer is a large-scale, cross-national survey research project designed to systematically map mass attitudes to democracy, markets, and civil society in more than a dozen sub-Saharan African nations, and ultimately, to track the evolution of such attitudes in selected nations over time. More specifically, the series furnishes research data on democracy, governance, livelihoods, macroeconomics and markets, social capital, political regimes and transition, conflict and crime, political participation, and national identity in sub-Saharan Africa.

India Human Development Survey https://ihds.umd.edu/

The India Human Development Survey (IHDS) is a nationally representative multi-topic panel survey of households conducted in 1503 villages and 971 urban neighborhoods across India. Two one-hour

interviews in each household covered topics concerning health, education, employment, economic status, marriage, fertility, gender relations, and social capital. Children aged 8-11 completed short reading, writing, and arithmetic tests.

[Digital National Security Archive](https://libguides.uky.edu/943) https://libguides.uky.edu/943

Full-text of over 58,000 declassified primary documents central to U.S. foreign and military policy since 1945.

Digital South Asia Library https://libguides.uky.edu/155

The Digital South Asia Library provides digital materials for reference and research on South Asia to scholars, public officials, business leaders, and other users. This program builds upon a two-year pilot project funded by the Association of Research Libraries' Global Resources.

World Inequality Database https://wid.world/

The World Inequality Database (WID.world) aims to provide open and convenient access to the most extensive available database on the historical evolution of the world distribution of income and wealth, both within countries and between countries.

The World and Japan https://worldjpn.grips.ac.jp/indexPC-ENG.html

The World and Japan database, available in Japanese, English, and Chinese, contains historical documents and data related to Japanese politics, foreign policy, and international relations.

ISEAS database

Statistics https://www.iseas.edu.sg/library/resources/free-resources/statistics/

Journals https://www.iseas.edu.sg/library/resources/free-resources/electronic-journals/

Singapore-based ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute (ISEAS), formerly Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, maintains a list of data and resources for studies of ASEAN countries, including Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam.

International Renewable Energy Agency Database https://www.irena.org/statistics

IRENA publishes detailed statistics on renewable energy capacity, power generation, and renewable energy balances. This data is collected directly from members using the IRENA Renewable Energy Statistics questionnaire and is also supplemented by desk research where official statistics are not available. Renewable power-generation capacity statistics are released annually in March. Additionally, renewable power generation and renewable energy balances data sets are released in July.

Asia Pacific Energy Portal https://asiapacificenergy.org/

The Asia Pacific Energy Portal platform's goal is to facilitate research, analysis, and informed decision-making within the Asia-Pacific region's energy sector. It is an open-access information platform, providing data visualizations for an extensive set of energy statistics, full-text policies, and interactive infrastructure maps. The Portal offers a collection of more than 200 datasets from global institutions

including UN Data, the International Energy Agency, the World Bank, UNComtrade, IRENA, and Bloomberg. More than 3,000 policy documents have been collected from hundreds of official websites. More than 6,000 power plants have been mapped.

ADB Innovation and Structural Transformation Database https://www.adb.org/adbi/research-databases

The ADB-ADBI Innovation and Structural Transformation Database provide a valuable, one-stop platform for analyzing trade-driven growth and economic development in Asia. The database contains a wide variety of trade, supply chain, and capital indicators critical to the innovative growth and structural change of economies. It offers a multitude of options for visualizing data to support economic research and policy development.

Asia Regional Integration Center database https://aric.adb.org/datacenter

This knowledge-base is a collection of regional cooperation and integration data which aids in the monitoring and reporting of potential vulnerabilities, and also in providing insights on policy solutions for the Asia and the Pacific region.

IMD World Competitiveness Yearbook
https://www.imd.org/centers/world-competitiveness-center/publications/

The IMD World Competitiveness Online is a unique and comprehensive database on the competitiveness of nations. It includes time series from the IMD World Competitiveness Yearbook, the leading annual report published by IMD since 1989, including the IMD World Talent ranking since 2014 and the IMD World Digital Competitiveness Ranking since 2017.

Digital Governance References Library http://faculty.washington.edu/jscholl/dgrl/index.php

The DGRL library contains references of predominantly English-language, peer-reviewed work in the study domains of digital government, digital governance, and digital democracy.

Foreign Office Files for China

This collection contains formerly restricted British Foreign Office files dealing with China, Hong Kong and Taiwan between 1919 and 1980. Featuring diplomatic dispatches, letters, newspaper cuttings, political pamphlets, reports of court cases and other materials, this collection represents a constant exchange of information between London and the British embassies and consulates.

Foreign Office Files for India, Pakistan and Afghanistan

These files cover Independence and Partition, social and cultural interchange after 1947 and the ramifications that these changes continue to have throughout South Asia today.

Foreign Office Files for the Middle East

This collection contains complete runs of Foreign Office files from the Middle East, providing an expansive view of key events and their global political impact.

Foreign Relations of the United States Series (FRUS)

This digital facsimile of *Foreign Relations of the United States* is a project of the University of Wisconsin-Madison Libraries in collaboration with the University of Illinois at Chicago Libraries. This is a nearly complete run from 1861-1960 with missing volumes being added as they can be acquired and processed.

China Online Journals (Chinese interface) https://libguides.uky.edu/2888

Full-text access (pdf and html) to nearly 7,000 journals published in China in business/economics (over 800 titles), arts/humanities (over 700 titles), law/politics (550 titles) and social sciences (over 1350 titles), health/medicine and biology (nearly 1200 titles), science and technology (nearly 2800 titles), and agriculture (over 500 titles).

Congressional Research Service Reports Archive https://libguides.uky.edu/920

Because the Congressional Research Service does not publish its reports online, FAS obtains reports addressing national security, foreign policy and related topics, digitizes them, and archives them. It also links to other sources for CRS reports.

Country Report via Mergent Archives

Country Insight Reports provide essential political, economic and commercial information on over 130 countries worldwide. Each report contains a Country Risk Indicator Summary, Key Statistics, Executive Summary, and in-depth analysis of Political Risk, Macroeconomic Risk, Commercial Risk and External Economic Risk. Insight reports will also examine the Trade and Investment Environment. Coverage is from 2003 to present.

Gartner Portal

Gartner is an industry-leading consulting firm providing independent research and analysis to professionals making decisions in information technology (IT). Gartner provides independent research and analysis to UK's faculty, staff and students with training, marketing research and advisory services. Using the Gartner Portal link, log in with your linkblue account. If you do not have a UK linkblue account, please visit the Customer Service Center in 111 McVey Hall for assistance.

Global Findex database https://www.worldbank.org/en/publication/globalfindex

Financial inclusion is a cornerstone of development, and since 2011, the Global Findex Database has been the definitive source of data on global access to financial services from payments to savings and borrowing. The 2021 edition, based on nationally representative surveys of over 125,000 adults in 123 economies during the COVID-19 pandemic, contains updated indicators on access to and use of formal and informal financial services and digital payments, and offers insights into the behaviors that enable financial resilience. The data also identify gaps in access to and usage of financial services by women and poor adults.

Global Commodities: Trade, Exploration, and Cultural Exchange

Provides access to primary sources that focus on 15 significant commodities whose stories are often intertwined: chocolate, coffee, cotton, fur, oil, opium, porcelain, silver and gold, spices, sugar, tea, timber, tobacco, wheat, and wine, and spirits.

govinfo: access to publications of the federal government

govinfo is a service of the United States Government Publishing Office (GPO), which is a Federal agency in the legislative branch. govinfo provides free public access to official publications from all three branches of the Federal Government.

International Financial Statistics (Country Selection)

Internationally comparable macroeconomic statistics from the world community. Information from all member countries is uniformly formatted.

International Trade Statistics

Statistics of U.S. trade with other countries.

PAIS Index

Indexed coverage of issues in the public debate through highly selective coverage of a wide variety of sources, including journal articles, books, government documents, statistical directories, grey literature, research reports, conference papers, publications of international agencies, microfiche, Internet material and more. The database includes a historical perspective on many of the 20th century's social and public policies such as Prohibition, the civil rights movement, McCarthyism, Vietnam and Watergate.

Renmin Ribao (People's Daily) Digital Archive (1946-2012)

The official organ of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the central newspaper of record for the modern Chinese state.

Research Methods Primary Sources

Designed as a tool to support students of the humanities and social sciences, Research Methods Primary Sources introduces approaches to working with source materials and historical evidence.

SA Media (South Africa)

News research and press clipping service that retrospectively covers mainstream publications in South Africa, from 1978 to the present day. Since much reporting on Africa is done in South Africa, these newspapers provide coverage of a range of issues facing countries throughout the entire African continent.

Scopus

Scopus is an abstracting and citation database of peer-reviewed literature that contains over 22,000 titles from more than 5,000 publishers around the world, covering the fields of science, technology, medicine, social sciences, and arts & humanities. Scopus is a citation index which helps in determining the impact of articles and journals by highlighting which titles are most cited within a field.

Social Science Research Network (SSRN)

SSRN provides open-access full-text access to scholarly publications in Social Sciences and Humanities disciplines.

U.K. Parliamentary Papers

British parliamentary documents, including Command Papers. All areas of social, political, economic and foreign policy. Searchable full-text, with detailed subject indexing.

U.S. Bilateral Relations Fact Sheets

Facts about the land, people, history, government, political conditions, economy, and foreign relations of independent states, some dependencies, and areas of special sovereignty. Updated/revised by the Office of Electronic Information and Publications of the Bureau of Public Affairs as they are received from the Department's regional bureaus and are added to the database of the Department of State.

U.S. Congressional Serial Set (ProQuest Congressional Publications)

The U.S. Serial Set, a full-text collection of U.S. Government publications compiled under the directive of Congress, includes Congressional reports and documents, executive agency and departmental reports ordered to be printed by Congress, the American State Papers, and all maps, illustrations, photos, and lithographs found within the U.S. Serial Set during the time period covered.

World Energy Outlook

(1994-2014) requires free registration

World Factbook

Provides summary information on the demographics, geography, communications, government, economy, and military of 267 U.S.-recognized countries, dependencies, and other areas in the world.

UN Comtrade Database

Free access to detailed global trade data. UN Comtrade is a repository of official international trade statistics and relevant analytical tables.

UNCTAD Non-Tariff Measures Database

Non-tariff measures (NTMs) are policy measures other than tariffs that can potentially have an economic effect on international trade in goods. They are increasingly shaping trade, influencing who trades what and how much. For exporters, importers and policymakers, NTMs represent a major challenge. Though many NTMs aim primarily at protecting public health or the environment, they also substantially affect trade through information, compliance and procedural costs. Understanding the uses and implications of NTMs is essential for the formulation of effective development strategies to meet the Sustainable Development Goals. The NTM Hub serves as a gateway to that end, providing information on classification, data, research and analysis and policy support. Increasing transparency and understanding of NTMs can build capacity of policymakers, trade negotiators and researchers to strike the delicate balance between the reduction of trade costs and the preservation of public objectives.

WTO: Regional trade agreement
Regional trade agreements (RTAs) have risen in number and reach over the years, including a notable increase in large plurilateral agreements. Non-discrimination among trading partners is one of the core principles of the WTO; however, RTAs, which are reciprocal preferential trade agreements between two or more partners, constitute one of the derogations and are authorized under the WTO, subject to a set of rules. Information on RTAs notified to the WTO is available in the RTA Database.

UNCTAD Investment Statistics and Trends:
https://unctad.org/topic/investment/investment-statistics-and-trends

UNCTAD addresses countries' data needs through its analysis and dissemination of foreign direct investment (FDI) statistics, and by enhancing the capacity of government agencies to collect and report FDI and TNC data. The organization maintains the largest global databases on FDI and TNC activities, containing information on more than 200 economies covering a period of 40 years, and has acquired a reputation as the most authoritative international source on FDI/TNC data. The system also comprises other analytical and statistical tools, including the bilateral FDI database on flows and stocks, and the FDI Country Profiles and Country Fact Sheets (available for 188 economies) that feature the latest data on mergers and acquisitions, largest TNCs, and regulatory changes.

Digital Trade Tracker: https://digitaltradetracker.org/

provide simple and balanced information for trade negotiators, policy makers, advocacy groups, academics and wider society on issues connected to digital trade and how they will shape the global economy.

OECD: FDI database

American Enterprise Institute China Global Investment Tracker
https://www.aei.org/china-global-investment-tracker/

The China Global Investment Tracker is the only comprehensive public data set covering China's global investment and construction, which are documented both separately and together. It includes over 3800 large transactions across energy, transportation, metals, technology, property and other sectors (as well as 350 troubled transactions). The full set, with the amount, Chinese parent company, host country, and

sector, is available for public use with the proper citation. The tracker is published by the American Enterprise Institute.

Aid Data: https://www.aiddata.org/datasets

Housed at William & Mary's Global Research Institute, AidData connects decision-makers and researchers who have a shared interest in working together using granular data and innovative tools to solve pressing problems, precisely target resources, and use rigorous evidence to measure the impacts—intended and unintended—of policies and investments.

Boston University Global China Databases: https://www.bu.edu/gdp/research/databases/global-china-databases/

The Global China Initiative (GCI) manages a suite of five interactive public databases that collectively track hundreds of billions of dollars in Chinese loans and investment to a variety of sectors, including energy and other infrastructure development. GCI manages and updates these databases in a bid to provide transparent information to aid research, education, policymaking, journalism and accountability with regards to China's overseas development finance and projects around the world. Tracking these loans has given GCI researchers the ability to study trends and work to understand China's overseas economic activities. One of the GDP Center's core values is to create dialogue based on empirical research, hence why these databases are made open and accessible to the public. As a resource, these data projects can help stakeholders discover more about China's overseas lending in an interactive and engaging way.

SAIS-CARI China Africa database: https://www.sais-cari.org/data

SAIS-CARI regularly collates data on China-Africa FDI, trade, contracts, agricultural investment, foreign aid, and Chinese workers in Africa. This data is **not** produced by SAIS-CARI researchers. However, SAIS-CARI collects and presents it in a straight-forward, easy-to-use manner to help inform policy makers, reporters, and academics.

China-Africa Toolkit: https://saiia.org.za/toolkits/china-africa-toolkit/

SAIIA's China-Africa Toolkit ' was originally developed in 2009 as an extensive 77-page contextual backgrounder on China-Africa relations targeting African policymakers. The current China-Africa Portal, which builds on this original initiative, is a user-friendly information hub that can be organised according to the topic of interest of the reader (namely media, policy makers, funders, government officials, civil society actors, general public). The Portal draws on previous and current China-Africa research across the Institute.

ChinaMed: https://www.chinamed.it/

A research platform promoted by the Torino World Affairs Institute, part of the TOChina Hub developed by the University of Torino, offering data and perspectives on the shifting geo-economic and security landscape in the wider Mediterranean region and the deepening interconnections between China and countries in this region, reflecting on their potential impact on regional and global dynamics.

National Security and Defence Documents Dataset (1987-2024)
https://datashare.ed.ac.uk/handle/10283/8852

This dataset consists of 575 national security and defence documents from 113 countries, covering the period from 1987 to 2024. It includes national security strategies, defence white papers, and other top-level security documents, all available as machine-readable PDFs. Non-English texts are accompanied by translations. The corpus is complemented by metadata providing context for each document and country, including variables such as UN region, regime type, and economic data. This collection enables comparative analysis, trend identification, and research across security studies, international relations, and related fields.

Bruegel China economic database https://www.bruegel.org/dataset/china-economic-database

relevant macroeconomic data for China and EU-China relations.

European Institute for Gender Equality Gender Statistics Database

https://eige.europa.eu/gender-statistics/dgs/browse/eige

China X AI Reference List
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OJcHhhBfNwEbeUaT-d4RIq58I1oJ3XGxu2yCzsnieuo

Costs of War: https://watson.brown.edu/costsofwar/

Tech Inquiry: https://techinquiry.org/