

UnderStandingAmericaStudy

Registered Data User Newsletter **Quarter III 2018**

Welcome to the Center for Economic and Social Research quarterly data user newsletter, providing you with a quick update on UAS data news and happenings. This is the third quarter newsletter of 2018.

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Did you miss a newsletter? They are archived online at <https://uasdata.usc.edu>.

UAS is growing...

The UAS panel comprises nearly 6300 members today, and will reach 10,000 by 2020. Our representative California panel has grown to include more than 1400 state residents.

New data monthly from UAS' Monthly Survey Series

(N ~ 4600 each)

April: Bitcoin, Life satisfaction, Palliative and Hospice Care, and Attitudes towards Groups

May: Donations, value of stock investments, product enthusiasm

June: Health insurance, social power, politics

July: Moral Foundations Theory

August: Attitudes toward Universities and University research

UAS Data Usage Stats*

***Since UAS Redesign - July 2017**

File type	# downloads
Number of active users	324
Survey data sets	1236
Non-response files	76
Timings data files	41
Platform data files	36
Survey codebooks	5111
zip files (HRS or Election data)	185
question card data sets	19

We aim to continually improve usability and function...

Let us know if something needs improvement

Fill out our brief User Survey

[HTTP://SURVEY.USC.EDU/UASDATA](http://survey.usc.edu/uasdata)

(the link is also available from the *Contact Us* menu at uasdata.uas.edu)

Everyone Likes User-Friendly Data!

Get to Know Our Comprehensive Data File...

-= The latest version will be released at the end of June =-

Merged data from multiple UAS surveys, ready to download and analyze.

- UAS Health and Retirement Study (HRS) items
- cognitive and personality tests
- financial literacy
- subjective well-being
- health
- retirement data
- financial management
- preparation for retirement

- knowledge of Social Security rules
- useful derived variables. (e.g. household total wealth, yearly earnings, self-reported health, etc.)

The UAS Comprehensive File merges the data from a number of core surveys in the UAS and includes useful and carefully derived variables from the UAS Health and Retirement Study (UAS HRS).

We will be adding more UAS HRS variables over time to the file, covering topics such as employment history, retirement decisions, and social security income.

[Find out more at UASdata.usc.edu](https://uasdata.usc.edu)

From CESR's Evidence Base Blog

Recent UAS-related posts

[When Survey Respondents Don't Pay Attention](#) by Gema Zamarro, May 23, 2018

[Can Money buy Happiness?](#) by Mike Branom, April 3, 2018

[The Price of Votes: Exploring the Effect of Ad Spending in the Last Presidential Campaign](#), by Brian Libgober, March 12, 2018

Recent CESR UAS Publications

JOURNAL PAPERS

David Rogofsky, Richard E. Chard, and Joanne Yoong, "[Insight into the Earned Income Tax Credit and Tax-Advantaged Retirement Savings](#)" **Social Security Bulletin** Vol. 78 No. 2: 1-12 (2018)

Gema Zamarro, Albert Cheng, and Bart Orriens, "[Personality as a Predictor of Unit Nonresponse in an Internet Panel](#)" **Sociological Methods and Research** January 10 (2018)

Laith Alattar, Matt Messel, and David Rogofsky, "[An Introduction to the Understanding America Study Internet Panel](#)." **Social Security Bulletin** Vol. 78 No. 2: 13-28 (2018)

BOOK (CHAPTERS)

Marcel Das, Arie Kapteyn and Michael Bosnjak, "[Open Probability-Based Panel Infrastructures](#)" **Palgrave Macmillan** pp 199-209 (2018)

WORKING PAPERS

Rebecca Myerson, "[Health Insurance Literacy and Health Insurance Choices: Evidence from Affordable Care Act Navigator Programs](#)" **National Bureau of Economic Research** Draft version (2018)

Here is the List of All UAS Publications

Have you sent us yours ?

Please forward references to papers, presentations, blog posts etc. that are based on UAS data. Tracking them is a UAS funding requirement. We will feature your research in these newsletters and add your citation to our permanent online list.

Remember to acknowledge UAS as the source in all publications based on UAS Data

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