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Registered Data User Newsletter
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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 first newsletter of 2019.

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

UAS is growing...

Another wave of national recruitment is now underway and we have more than 7000 active panel members so far. More than 1900 are members of UAS' population-representative California state sub-panel. (Growing the Los Angeles County sub-panel is next.)

------ New UAS Data Releases -----

NEW! Panel Data

We have recently released UAS's recruitment, behavior, and attrition data files. Formally available only to UAS internal analysts, these data are now available to all registered UAS users under the *Special Datasets* menu tab. This release includes recruitment data, first "my household" (demographic data, updated quarterly), the full "my household" longitudinal data file, survey order, and survey invitations. More info here:
https://uasdata.usc.edu/page/UAS+Recruitment%2C+Behavior+And+Attrition+Data

Latest Data from the UAS Monthly Survey Series

No Embargo. New omnibus data, released the middle of each month.

- **UAS 167**: Future of American society (experiment), pet food, and the government shutdown
- **UAS 172**: Roper survey archives questions on attitudes towards research
- **UAS 175**: Language preferences; impact of the new tax laws; and a first look at the 2020 Democratic primary (includes half sample open end candidate preference).

Other Data Releases Since Last Quarter

- **UAS 162**: Post-midterm election (National and California elections)
- **UAS 166**: 2018 End of Year survey. Includes bitcoin knowledge, trade, experience with discrimination, charity, disenfranchisement, groupthink, and income.

------ UAS Data Usage Stats* ------
*Since UAS Redesign - July 2017

Number of active users	405
Survey data sets	1798
Non-response files	145
Timings data files	73
Platform data files	71
Survey codebook downloads	10,651
Zip files (HRS or Election data)	277
Question card data sets	21
Recruitment, behavior, attrition	6
Newsletter	79
AAPOR recruitment rates files	140

UAS Comprehensive Data File

Latest version release: March 2019

**Merged data from HRS and other UAS surveys:
harmonized, cleaned, and 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
- **pensions (new!)**
- knowledge of Social Security rules
- useful derived variables. (e.g. household total wealth, yearly earnings, self-reported health, etc.)

The UAS Comprehensive File merges data from core surveys in the UAS. We carefully derive variables from these and the UAS Health and Retirement Study (UAS HRS).

Wave 2 is coming: We will begin adding derived variables from UAS HRS wave 2 starting in late summer 2019. Also ahead: adding topics such as family structure and social security income.

Data and documentation at: https://uasdata.usc.edu/page/UAS+Comprehensive+Data+File

From CESR's Evidence Base Blog
Recent posts based on UAS data

Do time frames matter in self-report research? by Marta Walentynowicz, Jan 24,2019

Recent CESR UAS Publications

JOURNAL PAPERS

Arthur Stone, Marta Walentynowicz, Stefan Schneider, Doerte Junghaenel and Cheng K. Wen, "MTurk Participants Have Substantially Lower Evaluative Subjective Well-Being Than Other Survey Participants" Computers in Human Behavior Vol. 94: 1-8 (2019)

BOOK (CHAPTERS)

Marcel Das and Marike Knoef, "Experimental and Longitudinal Data for Scientific and Policy Research: Open Access to Data Collected" Data-Driven Policy Impact Evaluation: How Access to Microdata is Transforming Policy Design pp 131 (2019)

WORKING PAPERS

Jeffrey R. Brown, Arie Kapteyn, Erzo Luttmer, Olivia S. Mitchell and Anya Samek, "Behavioral Impediments to Valuing Annuities: Complexity and Choice Bracketing" Pension Research Council March 12 (2019)

Here is the List of All UAS Publications
[https://uasdata.usc.edu/page/Academic+Papers]
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
Language you may adapt and add to your manuscript:

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