CESR Data User news & updates

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Headline News from the Understanding America Study

UAS Data Page Reorganization
We have streamlined UASdata.usc.edu! Check out the menu heading "**Data and Data Products**" for a listing of surveys, longitudinal studies, external data for linking, and UAS data products such as the *Comprehensive File*, and the new *Cognitive Comprehensive File*, all in one place.

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Welcome to CESR's UAS data user newsletter, providing a quick update on UAS data news and happenings. Newsletters are archived at ***UASdata.USC.edu***

2022 Marks CESR's 10th Anniversary!

FEATURED CESR RESEARCH CENTER

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

A cumulative report of use of UAS data files available for download by registered users.

Number of active data users	1401
Survey data sets	7125
Survey Non-response files	627
Survey timings data	418
Survey Platform data	329
Survey Codebooks	90128
Zip files (HRS or Election data)	1567
UAS recruitment, behavior and attrition file	184
Data User Newsletter	5870
Covid longitudinal files	2231
Covid individual data files	3594
User data sets (researcher produced)	310

CENTER FOR APPLIED RESEARCH IN EDUCATION

The CESR Center for Applied Research in Education (CARE), established in 2022 by Marshall Garland, Amie Rapaport, and Anna Saavedra, is housed in the Dornsife Center for Economic and Social Research at the University of Southern California. CARE researchers oversee the education module of the Understanding America Study, a nationally representative survey panel of more than 10,000 households. We also conduct research and evaluations designed to increase understanding of how educational policies affect students, teachers, and schools, and whether interventions are effective, for whom, and under what conditions. Our partners include educators, school districts, state education agencies, foundations, and collaborating research organizations. Our work receives funding support from The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Hewlett Foundation, Lucas Education Research, the National Science Foundation, and the United States Department of Education.

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The Center's focus is on asking about children's educational experiences, as well as attitudes and opinions around public education more generally.

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Visit CARE online at https://cesr.usc.edu/care!

CARE data files, top-lines, and a list of publications are available on the UAS data pages

NEW! Another UAS Comprehensive File, focused on UAS Cognitive Test data

The UAS Cognitive Comprehensive File includes merged data and scores from cognitive surveys administered in the UAS every two years, on a rolling schedule. It also includes respondent and household identifiers, survey completion dates, and a variable indicating response across waves. The file is derived from the following studies:
UAS HRS Waves 1 to 4 (UAS20, UAS95, UAS185 and UAS396): serial sevens, naming, and--starting with Wave 4--word recall
- UAS 1, UAS121 and UAS237 Wave 1 to 3: financial literacy, understanding probabilities and numeracy
- Woodcock-Johnson 1 Waves 1 to 3 (UAS 42, UAS83 and UAS292): Number Series cognitive test
- Woodcock-Johnson 2 Waves 1 to 3 (UAS 43, UAS84 and UAS293): Picture Vocabulary cognitive test
- Woodcock-Johnson 3 Waves 1 to 3 (UAS 44, UAS85 and UAS294): Verbal Analogies cognitive test
- UAS325 Wave 1: Stop and Go Switch Task cognitive test
- UAS328 Wave 1: Figure identification cognitive test

Longitudinal files are also available from the following studies: **UAS Comprehensive file**, **Covid-19**, **Monthly Life Events among Older Americans**, **LA Barometer**, **U.S. Elections**, and from **CARE**, our featured study in this newsletter.

Visit **https://uasdata.usc.edu/page/Data+Products** for more information, and data downloads

Other CESR and UAS News

The UAS Panel is continuing to grow
UAS now has more than 9600 active panel members, including representative sub-panels of more than 3200 Californians, more than 2000 residents of Los Angeles County, and more than 1600 households with children.

If you missed our 2022 CIPHER conference, check out videos and slides online
Our fourth Current Innovations in Probability-based Household Internet Panel Research (CIPHER) conference took place on Thursday, 3 March and Friday, 4 March 2022. **Visit the CIPHER site** for the list of presentations, along with slides and videos.

The bi-weekly, then monthly, Covid-19 Tracking Survey ended in July 2021. We are now conducting Covid waves every four months or so. Waves 1-29 were part of the tracking survey. Waves 30 and 31 are stand-alone surveys that were conducted September/October of 2021 and February/March of 2022. These files have been added to the Covid Longitudinal File. Stay tuned for Wave 31, coming this summer.

Yearly DUA Verification: If you are a veteran user of UAS data with a UAS Data Use Agreement on file for a year or more, you will be asked to verify that the information is still correct, next time you log in. It should take very little time and we appreciate your help with keeping our files up to date!

We continue to offer free data housing service to survey authors for publications based on UAS data
In support of open-science data transparency, and due to an increasing number of journals that require published manuscripts to make their data available for replication, we are offering a new free service to UAS survey authors. We will house your published analytic data files, or create fully de-identified files that you may house elsewhere. Send an email to uas-l@usc.edu to request this service

**Please remember to acknowledge UAS as the source
in all publications based on UAS Data!**

** Have you published studies based on UAS data? **
Please send us your citations to add to our publications list!

General UAS data	UAS Covid Data
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