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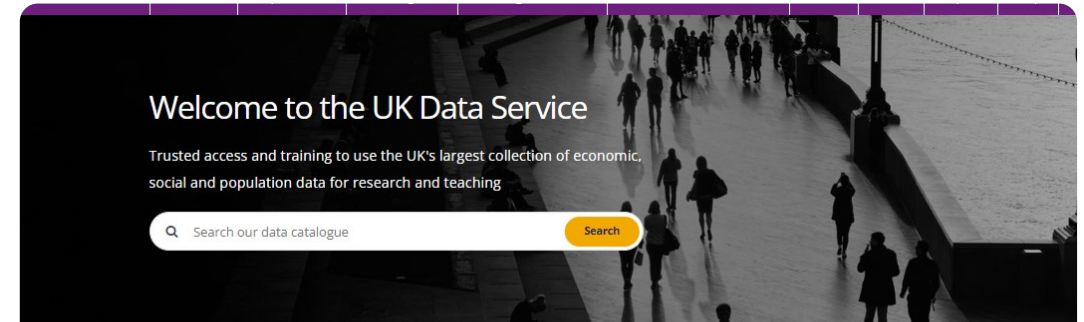
Jen Buckley, UK Data Service

What we'll cover

- UK Data Service and the Data Catalogue

- Licenses
  - End User License Data (EUL)
  - EUL verses Secure Access

- What happens if you think you need Secure Access data?

What is the UK Data Service?

- A resource funded by the ESRC
- Provide access to a wide range of social and economic data
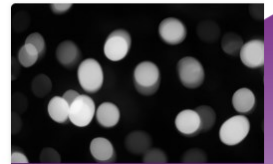- Support, training and guidance
- ukdataservice.ac.uk

Data catalogue

Series and study records

- [Series page](#)
  - Information about survey in general (answers to FAQs)
  - Links to all studies from the series

- [Study records](#)
  - Abstract and study details
  - Access to data and documentation for the particular study
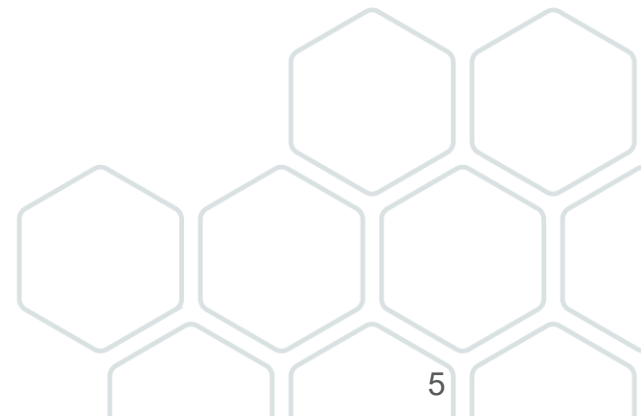
Licenses: EUL and Safe Room

EUL
- Safeguarded: not personal data, but a risk of disclosure   - Fewer and less detailed variables than secure access

Safe Room access
- Additional variables e.g. detailed geography and Nationality and Date of birth   - Unrounded data   - HBAI and Pensioner's Income   - Additional checks, cannot download

Accessing Safe Room data

Determine your need and feasibility of the project

- Use the EUL
- Identify what is in the Safe Room version you need (use data dictionaries)
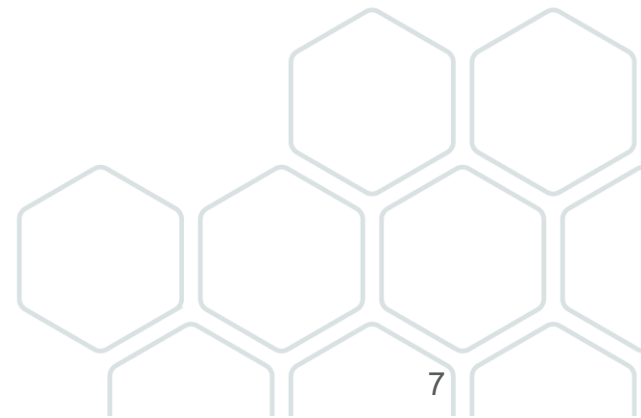
Application forms

- Research Proposal - demonstrate why you need access to the extra, more detailed variables
- ESRC Accredited researcher form

Security check and User agreements

Training

Access data in a safe environment (Safe Room, SecureLab)

- Outputs subject to checks

Cite data

- Citations on catalogue page

- For multiple datasets, cite from the series page:
  - Office for National Statistics, Social Survey Division, Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency, Central Survey Unit. (2021). *Quarterly Labour Force Survey*, 1992-2020. [data collection]. UK Data Service. Series page: http://doi.org/10.5255/UKDA-SN-8738-2