Key Data: Business data Welcome to today's webinar

The webinar will begin at 3.00pm

- You now have a menu in the top right corner of your screen
- The red button with the white arrow allows you to expand and contract the webinar menu, in which you can write questions/comments
- There will be opportunities to ask questions
- You will be on mute throughout we can't hear you



Key data: Business data







Can you hear us?



Can you hear us?

If Not:

- Check your volume, and that your speaker/headset is plugged in
- Your invitation also included a phone number; you can call that to listen in







Introductions



Christine Woods
Senior Support
Officer
(Secure Lab)



James Scott
Senior User Support
& Training Officer
(Secure Lab)



What we will cover today

- 1. Business survey areas and data available
- 2. Examples of research
- 3. How to apply to access these data
- Questions at appropriate points
- You will be on mute throughout we can't hear you



Business Microdata

- ONS conducts a range of business surveys
- Majority are collected under statute and are compulsory
- Some data for most business organisations in the UK
- Data are divided into 'reporting units', 'enterprises' and 'local units' (more later)
- Postcode-level, low-level geographies
- Business data can be linked together (more later)





Business survey areas

Innovation, research and development

Earnings and skills

Productivity and Employment relations

International trade and foreign direct investment

Environment



Innovation, research and development

- E-Commerce Survey, 2001-2015
- IIA: Investment in Intangible Assets Survey, 2009-2010
- BERD: Business Expenditure on Research and Development, 1994-2015
- UKIS: UK Innovation Survey, 1994-2014





UKIS: UK Innovation Survey, 1994-2014

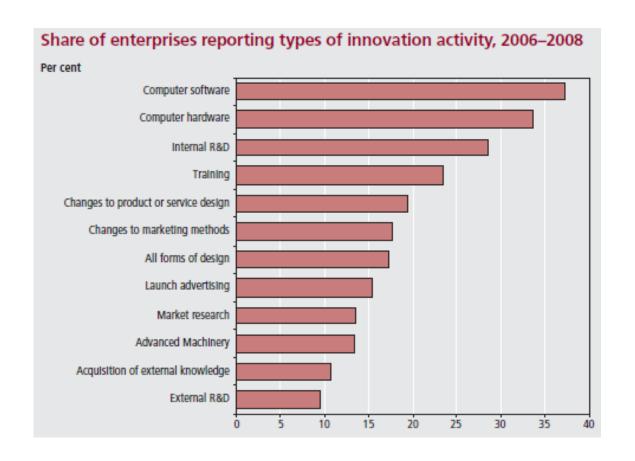
- Europe-wide Community Innovation Survey
- Main source of information on business innovation in the UK looking at:

'Major changes aimed at enhancing a firm's competitive position, performance, know-how, or capabilities' e.g. new or significantly improved goods, services or processes for making or providing them

- Significant panel of over 4,000 businesses
- Based on firms with more than 10 employees
- Approx. 16,000 enterprises



UK Innovation Survey: types of activity



Source: Robson & Kenchatt, Economic and Labour Market Review, Vol 4, No 3, March 2010



UKIS based research topics

- Skilled Immigration and Strategically Important Skills in the UK Economy by George, A. et al, 2012
- Persistence and Change in UK Innovation 2002-2006 by Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills, 2008
- Is Money All? Financing Versus Knowledge and Demand Constraints to Innovation by Pellegrino, G. and Savona, M., 2013
- Universities as Sources of Information: Comparing the Role of 'Open Innovation' and Companies' Motivations by Volpi, M., 2014
- Private and External Benefits from Investment in Intangible
 Assets by Giovanetti, E. and Piga, C., 2014



Earnings and Skills

- New Earnings Survey (1986-2002 / 1975-2014)
- Occupational Pension Scheme Survey 2006-2015
- Monthly Wages and Salaries Survey 2000-2017
- National Employer Skills Survey 1999-2009
- Scottish Employer Skills Survey 2008 2010
- Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings 1997-2017



Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings 1997-2017 (ASHE)

- 1% sample of individuals (approx. 140,000 185,000) from NI records
- Can construct panel dataset
- Replaced New Earnings Survey which goes back to 1975
- Employer completes so more accurate than some surveys (e.g. Labour Force Survey)





ASHE based research topics

- Driving up Wages: The Effects of Road Construction in Great Britain by Sanchis-Guarner, R., 2012
- Industry Knowledge Spillovers: Do Workers Gain from their Collective Experience? by Riley, R., 2010
- Incentive Pay: How Important is it and Does it Work? by Bryson, A. et al, 2012
- Productivity, Investment and Profits During the Great Recession:
 Evidence from UK Firms and Workers by Crawford, C. et al, 2013





Productivity and Employment Relations

- Annual Respondents Database 1973-2008 (ARD) and Annual Business Survey 2008-2016 (ABS)
- Business Structure Database 1997-2017 (BSD)
- Monthly Production Inquiry 1997-2009 (MPI)
- Workplace and Employment Relations Survey 1998-2011 (WERS)



Annual Respondents Database 1973-2008 (ARD) and Annual Business Survey 2008-2016 (ABS)

- Can see differences in productivity between firms with different organisational structures
- Employment, turnover, purchases, capital and other expenditure and income across sectors
- Over 100 key economic variables
- Data in two parts, employment record and financial information (ABS – financial only)
- Various geographies down to postcode



Annual Respondents Database X 1998-2014

- Deposited summer 2016
- Created by researchers at ONS Virtual Microdata
 Laboratory (VML) and University of the West of England
- Allows users of ARD to continue analysis even though the Annual Business Inquiry (ABI) which was used to create ARD ceased in 2008. ARDx contains harmonised variables from 1998 to 2014.
- More information on our website



ARD based research topics

- How do Firms' Outward FDI Strategies Relate to their Activity at Home? Empirical Evidence for the UK by Simpson, H., 2010
- The Impact of the National Minimum Wage on Firm Behaviour During Recession by Riley, R. and Rosazza Bondibene, C., 2013
- Regional Selective Assistance (RSA) in Scotland: Does it Make a Difference to Plant Survival? By Moffat, J., 2013
- Migration and Productivity: Employers' Practices, Public Attitudes and Statistical Evidence by Rolfe, H. et al, 2013



Business Structure Database 1997-2017 (BSD)

- Employment turnover, SIC, legal status, foreign ownership, birth and death codes
- Data divided into 'enterprises' and 'local units' (more on this later)
- Up to 4 million 'enterprises' and up to 5.5 million 'local units'
- Government Office Regions (GORs) and postcodes



Monthly Production Inquiry 1997-2009 (MPI)

- Turnover, export turnover, employees etc.
- Provides 75.5% of the current price turnover data used in the compilation of Index of Production (IoP)
- Provides over 90% of the data used to estimate the number of employees in the production industries



Employment relations

Workplace and Employment Relations Survey, 1998-2011 (WERS)

- Cross-Section Survey of Managers
- Cross-Section Survey of Employee Representatives
- Cross-Section Survey of Employees



WERS based research topics

- Two perspectives on multiskilling and product-market volatility, by DeVaro J, 2011
- Disability and earnings: are employer characteristics important?, by Jones M and Latreille P, 2010
- Workplace Performance, Worker Commitment and Loyalty, by Brown S, McHardy J, McNabb R and Taylor K, 2011
- Understanding the Gender Pay Gap: What's Competition Got to Do with It?, by Manning A and Saidi F, 2010





International Trade and Foreign Direct Investment

- Annual Inquiry into Foreign Direct Investment 1996-2015 (AFDI)
- International Trade in Services 1996-2015 (ITIS)



Annual Inquiry into Foreign Direct Investment (AFDI)

- Info on UK companies and their foreign affiliates
- Inward FDI relates to foreign investment into the UK
- Outward FDI relates to investment by UK-based companies overseas
- Approximately 950 3,000 enterprises for outward FDI, and 2,000 – 14,000 for inward FDI





Environment

- Quarterly Fuels Inquiry, 1998-2015
- Low Emissions R&D Survey, 2008 (DECC R&D)



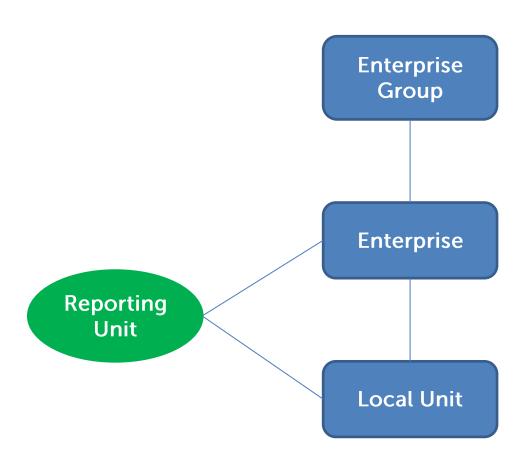
Low Emissions R&D Survey, 2008 (DECC R&D)

- Main focus is on businesses R&D aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions
- Expenditure on low emissions R&D, trialling and deploying the material, product, or process in a working environment on a pre-commercial basis
- Support from government incentives
- Lower energy consumption and renewable energy



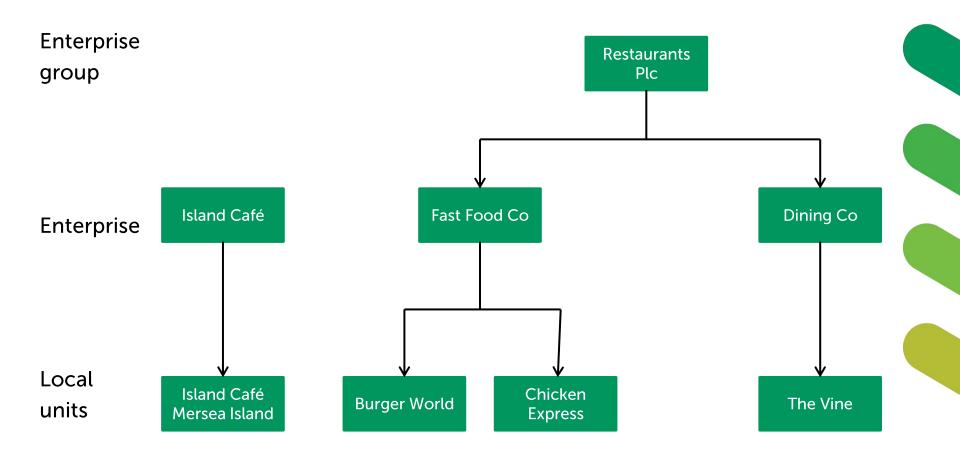


How are the datasets structured?





ONS IDBR business data identifiers



Fake company data



Examples of Data Linked

Some of the most common linkages

- Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings (ASHE) to Workplace Employment Relations Survey (WERS)
- Business Structure Database to UK Innovation Survey
- Annual Respondents Database to WERS
- ASHE to Employer Skills Survey

Permission from data owner required to link datasets

Any questions?



How to Apply



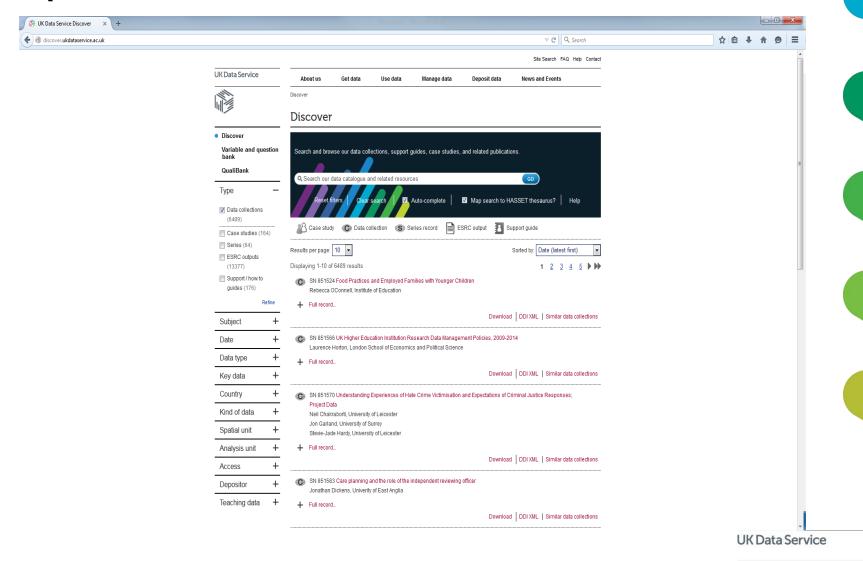
A Four Step Application Process

- 1. Find the dataset you wish to use
- 2. Apply for use through UKDS
- 3. Complete an Accredited Researcher application form
- 4. Attend a training course



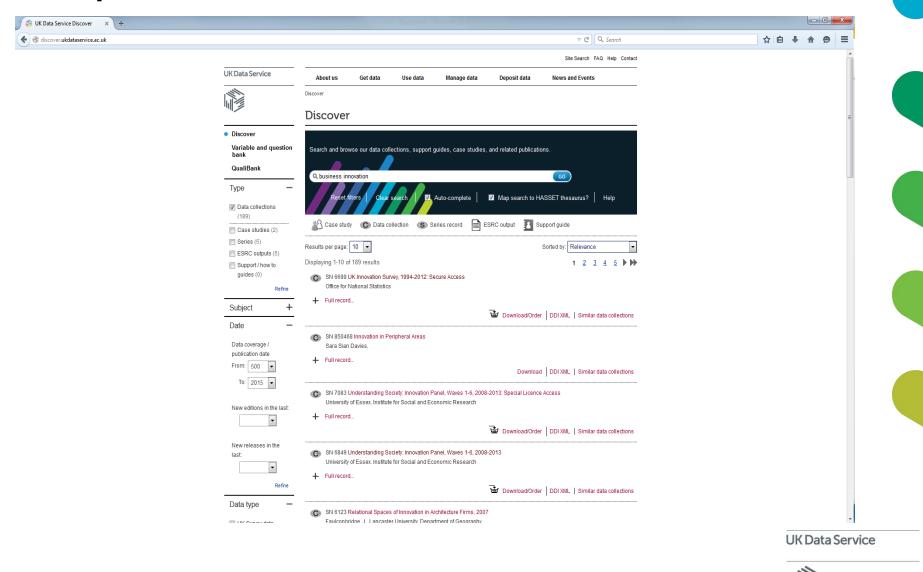


Step 1: Find Your Data (1)

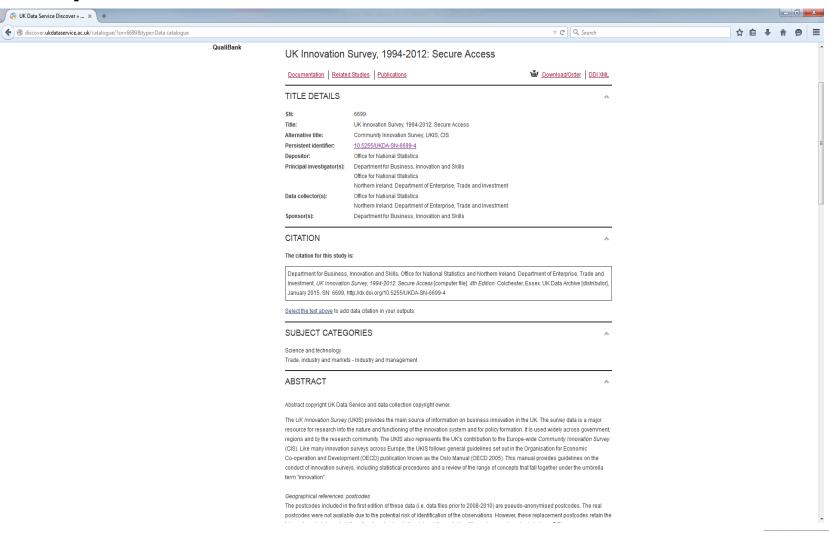




Step 1: Find Your Data (2)

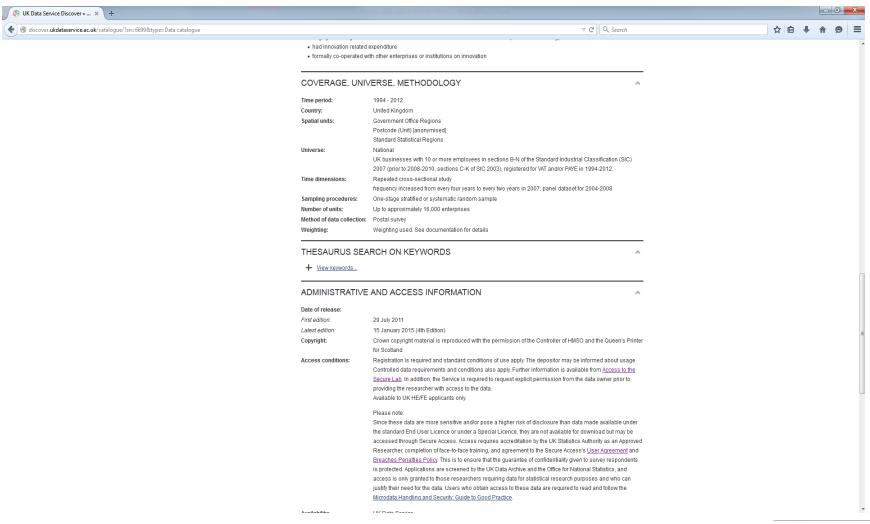


Step 1: Find Your Data (3)



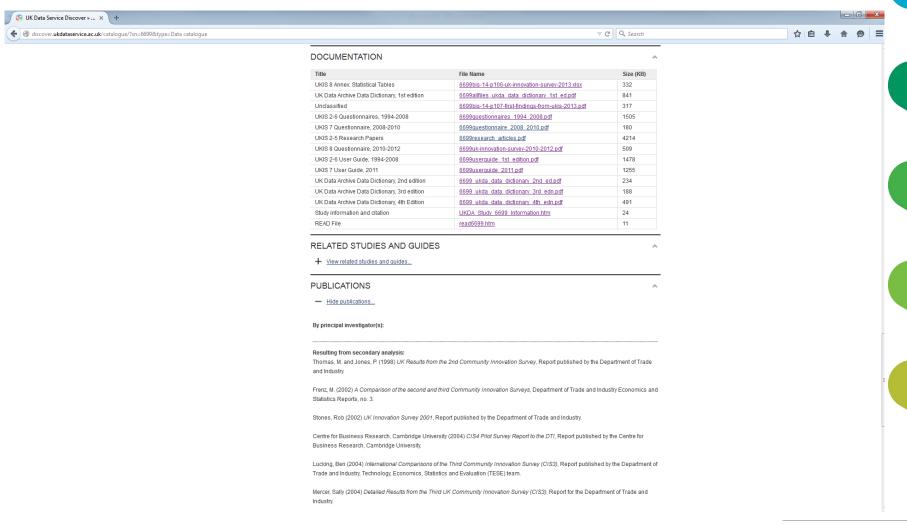


Step 1: Find Your Data (4)



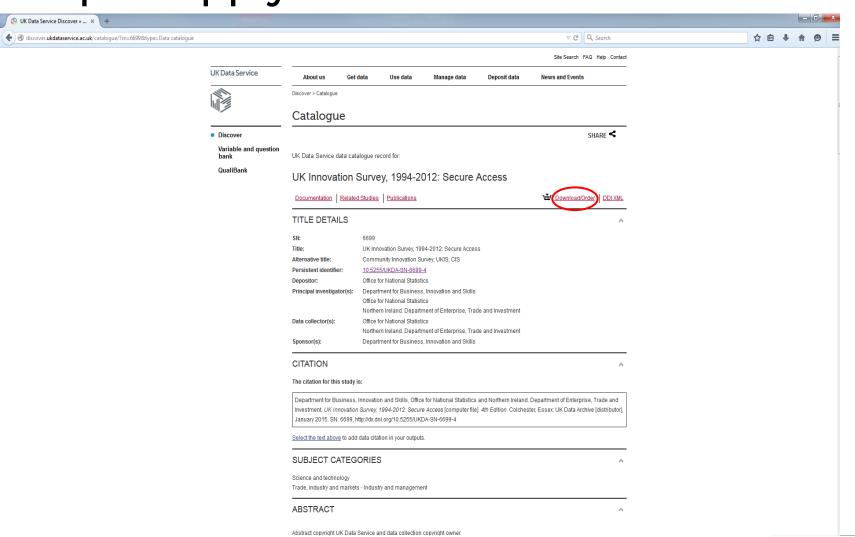


Step 1: Find Your Data (5)





Step 2: Apply





Step 3: Become an Accredited Researcher

- Complete the Accredited Researcher form
- UKDS sends your form to the data owner for approval
- Project colleagues should do this too
- REMEMBER: Include as much detail as possible...
 - Professional background (papers, conference presentations)
 - Experience of using micro-data
 - Project description
 - Why you need these data
 - Data linkage





Step 4: Training

- After approval, we'll offer you a range of dates to attend a training course
- Upon successful completion, we'll issue you with Secure Lab account credentials
- Three modules:

Using the Secure Lab

Your role in data protection

Statistical Disclosure Control

• Not a 'box ticking' exercise – understanding is crucial.



Any questions?

