Selecting data using *customise selection* in UKDS.Stat for the IMF International Financial Statistics data

The IMF International Financial Statistics has a large range of subjects and data is provided for many different units. Data availability is an issue, for example not all subjects are available for all countries or indeed for all years. In fact using the interface in the standard way can result in displaying lots of null values.

With this in mind, we recommend that you select data using the following method:

- Go to: [stats.ukdataservice.ac.uk](http://stats.ukdataservice.ac.uk)
- Select *International Financial Statistics*
- Click *Customise > Selection > All dimensions*

- Select the country/countries that you are interested in
- Click *Check data availability*
- You can now see which subjects are available for the country you have ticked (please note that if you select more than one country, variables will be selected that are available for any of those selected. Meaning that you may get data for one country but not for another)
Now tick a subject
Click **Check data availability**

You can now see that a single unit is available, tick that and click **View data**
You are now presented with the data, you can change to monthly or quarterly data by clicking the Frequency dimension. You can also change the time period by clicking the Time dimension.