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# GSS News

#### **GSS** on the Web

Data and documentation on the GSS exist several places on the Internet. For a guide to these sites go to:

www.gss.norc.org

## **GSS** Renewed

he National Science Foundation has approved funding for the GSS from October 1, 2015 through July 31, 2019. That covers the GSS/ISSP in 2016 and 2018.

#### 2014 GSS Data

The new 1972-2014 GSS cumulative is on our web site at www.gss.norc.org. Panel GSS data including the recently completed 2010-12-14 three-wave panel and other datasets are also available from the GSS web site (www.gss.norc.org).

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#### ISSP Data Available

The GESIS Data Archive for the Social Sciences at the University of Cologne has released the final release of 2013 National Identity III module is located at: <a href="http://zacat.gesis.org/webview/index.jsp?object=http://zacat.gesis.org/obj/fStudy/ZA5950">http://zacat.gesis.org/webview/index.jsp?object=http://zacat.gesis.org/obj/fStudy/ZA5950</a>

The preliminary release of the 2014 Citizenship II module is located at <a href="https://dbk.gesis.org/dbksearch/SDesc2.asp?ll=10&notabs=&af=&nf=&search=&sear

For earlier ISSP datasets: <a href="http://www.gesis.org/en/issp/home/">http://www.gesis.org/en/issp/home/</a>

The data and documentation are also available at GESIS in NESSTAR as part of ZACAT. Go to <a href="http://zacat.gesis.org/webview/">http://zacat.gesis.org/webview/</a> and then click on ISSP in the left column.

## Into the Future: ISSP 2016+

At the annual meeting of the ISSP held in Kaunas, Lithuania on May 1-4, 2016 the group finalized the content of the 2017 module on Social Networks and Social Resources, adopted the themes for Religion IV in 2018, and selected Social Inequality as the topic for 2019. Switzerland is chairing the Social Networks/Resources, the United States is chairing Religion, and the chair of Social Inequality will be named shortly. The 2017 ISSP meeting is to be in Istanbul, Turkey.

Over the years, 60 countries have participated in the ISSP:					
Argentina	China	Germany	Kenya	Poland	Sweden
Australia	Croatia	Great Britain	Korea (South)	Portugal	Switzerland
Austria	Cyprus	Hungary	Latvia	Romania	Taiwan
Bangladesh	Czech Republic	Iceland	Lithuania	Russia	Tanzania
Belgium	Denmark	India	Mexico	Slovakia	Thailand
Bolivia	Dominican Republic	Indonesia	The Netherlands	Slovenia	Turkey
Brazil	Estonia	Ireland	New Zealand	South Africa	Ukraine
Bulgaria	Finland	Israel	Norway	Spain	The United States
Canada	France	Italy	Palestine	Sri Lanka	Uruguay
Chile	Georgia	Japan	The Philippines	Suriname	Venezuela

Over 7,700 research uses have been documented using ISSP data. A copy of the bibliography is available from the ISSP website (see below).

ISSP documentation and information can be obtained at the following websites:

http://www.issp.org/

http://www.gesis.org/issp/

# **Recent GSS Reports**

#### **Methodological Reports**

Michael Hout, Tom W. Smith, and Peter V. Marsden, "Prestige and Socioeconomic Scores for the 2010 Census Codes," GSS Methodological Report No. 124. Chicago: NORC, 2015.

Tom W. Smith and Jibum Kim, "A Review of Survey Data-Collection Modes: With a Focus on Computerizations," GSS Methodological Report No. 125. Chicago: NORC. 2015. Published in <u>Sociological Theory and Methods</u>, 30 (2015), 185-200.

#### **Cross-National Reports**

Tom W. Smith, "Resources for Conducting Cross-national Survey Research," GSS Cross-National Report No. 36. Chicago: NORC, 2014. Published in Public Opinion Quarterly, 79 (2015), 404-409.

These and all earlier reports are available on the GSS website.

# **Occupational and Industry Coding**

Studying the role of occupation and industry in American society is complicated by the changing nature of the work force and how occupations and industries are coded. The GSS used the 1970 Census classification of occupations and industries to code the 1972-1990 GSSs and the 1980s Census classifications to code 1988-2010. The 1988-1990 GSSs were dual coded. With support from NSF the GSS is in the process of retrieving old cases from 1972-2010, data entering the verbatim answers to the occupation/industry questions, and coding all cases according to the 2007 North American Industrial Classification System and the 2010 Census classification of occupations. The new 2012 and 2014 GSS cases were similarly coded. This will mean that all GSS cases are coded to one standard and that it covers the latest developments in occupations and industries are covered. The new codes will be available in 2016.

## **3MC Conference**

The Second International Conference on Survey Methods in Multinational, Multiregional and Multicultural Contexts (3MC 2016) was held July 25 - 29, 2016 in Chicago. Smith was on the organizing committee and made a plenary address. Numerous presentations used data from the ISSP. A book based on the conference is being published.

# Norman Bradburn Career Achievement Award

Tom W. Smith was the first recipient of NORC at the University of Chicago's Norman Bradburn Career Achievement Award. The award was established to recognize individuals who, through the course of working for NORC, have made a significant contribution to the field of social science research or methodology. For the past 35 years, Smith has been the director of the General Social Survey, one of NORC's most visible projects and one of the nation's most heavily utilized datasets. Smith also directs NORC's Center for the Study of Politics and Society.

# The Sage Handbook of Survey Methodology

<u>The Sage Handbook of Survey Methodology</u> edited by Christof Wolf, Dominique Joye, Tom W. Smith, and Yang-chin Fu has just been published.

https://us.sagepub.com/en-us/nam/the-sage-handbook-of-survey-methodology/book242251

Wolf is current Secretary General of the ISSP, Joye chairs the ISSP Methodology Committee, Smith is co-founder and past Secretary General of the ISSP, and Fu is Taiwan's ISSP representative. Of the 43 chapters in the handbook, 14 utilize the ISSP.