

# Research data FREE at your fingertips!

for scientific research or educational purposes

## Why use these data sets?

- ✓ The data is of good quality.
- ✓ Most are longitudinal, repeated cross-sectional. It allows trend analysis.
- ✓ It is free of charge.
- ✓ It saves you time and effort.

**Go for it!**  
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and Explore

## What is available?

Qualitative and quantitative data sets, such as the ...

- South African Social Attitudes Survey (SASAS)
- South African National HIV Prevalence, HIV Incidence, Behaviour and Communication Survey (SABSSM)
- National Research and Experimental Development (R&D) Survey

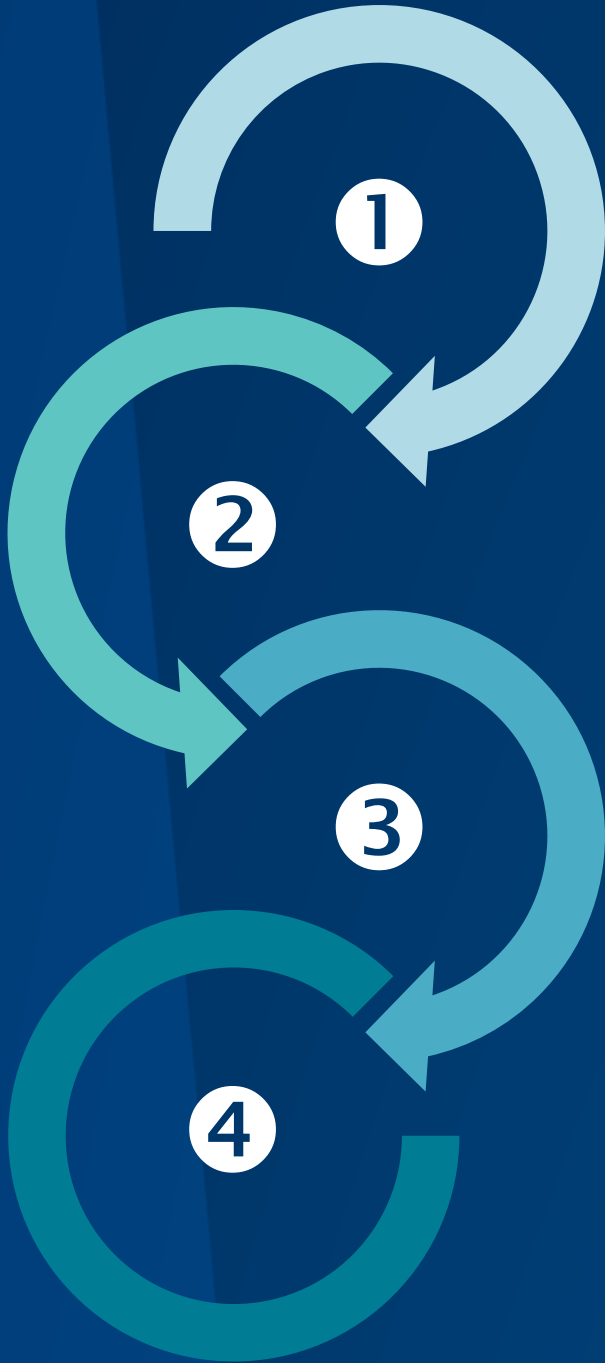
## Where can I find HSRC data?

Go to the  
**HSRC Research Data Service**  
<http://datacuration.hsrc.ac.za/>

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[datahelp@hsrc.ac.za](mailto:datahelp@hsrc.ac.za)



# The steps to follow



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Use the simple or advanced search or a keyword search facility.

## **Understand**

Study the data set details, the documents, existing outputs and the access conditions.

## **Download**

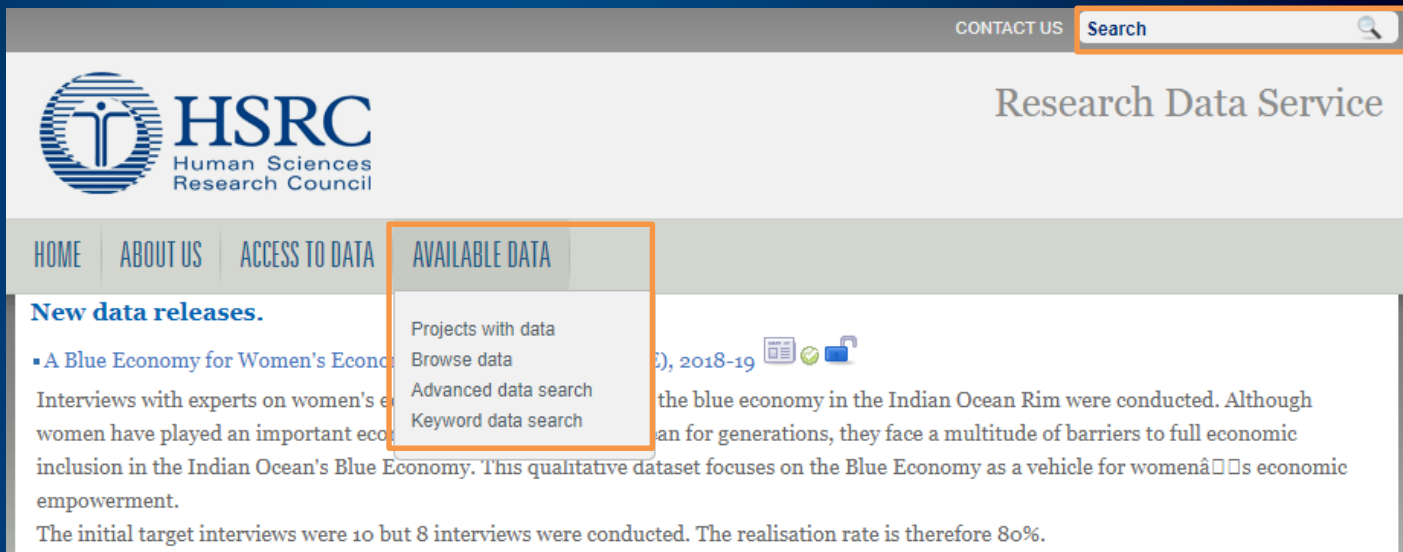
Download the data files in the required software format and analyse the data.

## **Cite**

Cite the data using an in-text reference AND a citation in the bibliography of an output.

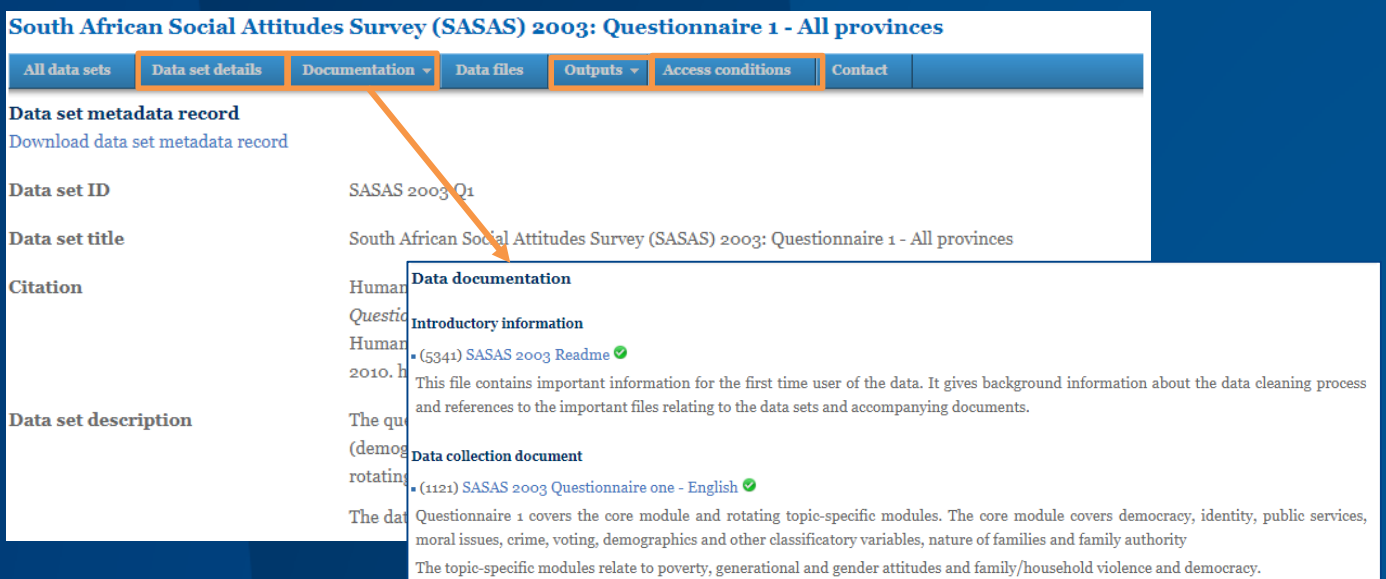
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- 1 **Find the data set:** Data can be located by browsing or through the use of a simple or an advanced search or a keyword search facility.



The screenshot shows the HSRC Research Data Service website. The HSRC logo is on the left, and the text 'HSRC Human Sciences Research Council' is next to it. On the right, it says 'Research Data Service'. Below the logo, there are navigation tabs: 'HOME', 'ABOUT US', 'ACCESS TO DATA', and 'AVAILABLE DATA'. The 'AVAILABLE DATA' tab is highlighted with an orange box. A dropdown menu is open from this tab, showing options: 'Projects with data', 'Browse data', 'Advanced data search', and 'Keyword data search'. Below the navigation, there is a section titled 'New data releases.' with a list of releases, including 'A Blue Economy for Women's Economic Empowerment in the Indian Ocean Rim, 2018-19'.

- 2 **Get to know the data:** Study the data set details, the documents, existing outputs and the access conditions.



The screenshot shows the 'South African Social Attitudes Survey (SASAS) 2003: Questionnaire 1 - All provinces' data set details page. The page has a navigation bar with tabs: 'All data sets', 'Data set details', 'Documentation', 'Data files', 'Outputs', 'Access conditions', and 'Contact'. The 'Data set details' tab is selected. Below the navigation bar, there is a section titled 'Data set metadata record' with a link to 'Download data set metadata record'. The 'Data set ID' is 'SASAS 2003 Q1'. The 'Data set title' is 'South African Social Attitudes Survey (SASAS) 2003: Questionnaire 1 - All provinces'. The 'Citation' is 'Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC), 2010. Human Sciences Research Council. South African Social Attitudes Survey (SASAS) 2003: Questionnaire 1 - All provinces'. The 'Data set description' is 'The questionnaire covers the core module and rotating topic-specific modules. The core module covers democracy, identity, public services, moral issues, crime, voting, demographics and other classificatory variables, nature of families and family authority. The topic-specific modules relate to poverty, generational and gender attitudes and family/household violence and democracy.' A 'Data documentation' section is also visible, containing 'Introductory information' and 'Data collection document'.

## Understand the data set



- Type
- Purpose
- Scope
- Methodology of the study

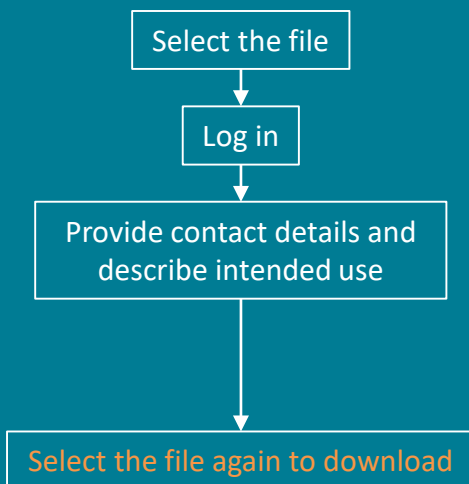
### 3 Download the data: The data sets are provided in various software formats.

Download	Access	File	Description
ASCII FIXED FORMAT	✓	SASAS2003_Q1.DAT	Save file to disk and use as input file for the different programs.
COMMA DELIMITED	✓	SASAS2003_Q1.CSV	Save file to disk and open in any text editor. Refer to the User guide for additional information.
SAS DATA SET	✓	SASAS2003_Q1.SAS7BDAT	Save file to disk. See userguide on how to reference the data set and formats in a SAS program.

Access level: A file is either in **Open access**, **Registered**, **Restricted** access or only available for the **project team**.

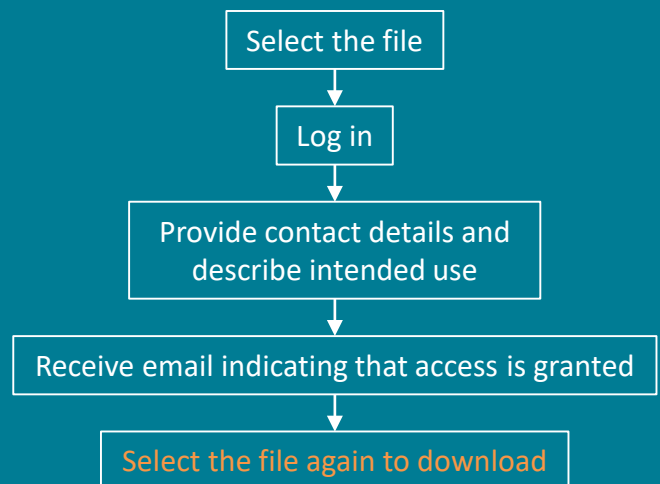
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✓ Once you have access, you can download any of the available files of all the data sets of a project.

### 4 Cite the data : A data set must always be cited just as journal articles, books and other sources that contributed to the research, are cited.

In-text reference + **Citation in bibliography**

Human Sciences Research Council. *South African National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (SANHANES-1) 2011-12: Adult - All provinces*. [Data set]. SANHANES 2011-12 Adult . Version 1.0. Pretoria South Africa: Human Sciences Research Council [producer] 2012, Human Sciences Research Council [distributor] 2017. <http://dx.doi.org/doi:10.14749/1494330158>.

