

## Accessing Data at KOSSDA is Easy and Convenient

- Integrated search for data and literature
- Data download
- Online data analysis
- Qualitative data preview
- Access to electronic journals
- Document delivery service

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## Korea Social Science Data Archive

**KOSSDA** is  
an Integrated Digital Archive of  
Korean Social Science Data and  
Literature



LEE INPYO FOUNDATION

## About KOSSDA

KOSSDA is a non-profit social science data archive established by the Lee Inpyo Foundation in 1983. KOSSDA was founded as a social science library, and has developed into an integrated digital archive of Korean quantitative and qualitative data and literature.

On the KOSSDA website ([www.kossda.or.kr](http://www.kossda.or.kr)), users may conduct an integrated search for data and literature, download and analyze data online, and access electronic journals. KOSSDA's other major activities include conducting research on data archiving and service development, constructing social science database for the National Research Foundation of Korea, and providing training courses on data analysis methods and library service.

## Major Activities

### Data and Library Service

- Acquisition of Korean social science data and literature
- Construction and preservation of integrated digital database
- Data download service
- Provision of online quantitative data analysis tool (*NESSTAR*)
- Document delivery service
- Library service

### Research

- Research on data archiving and service development
- Social science database construction for the National Research Foundation of Korea

### Education

- Workshops on social science methodology
- Seminar on methods of data collection and utilization
- Lectures on online data search

## DATA HOLDINGS

### Quantitative Data

The quantitative data collection holds about 1,150 survey data sets, including longitudinal and international comparative surveys, and over 1,000 statistical tables.

#### Surveys

Korean General Social Survey (9)	Business & Technology (16)
ISSP Annual Topical Module Survey (11)	Industrial Safety & Health (42)
Gallup Omnibus Survey (20)	Media & Communication (47)
Values & Attitudes (33)	Cultural & Leisure Activities (42)
Population (17)	Deviance & Crime (99)
Family & Gender (20)	Juvenile Delinquency (27)
Elderly (16)	Criminal Justice & Judicial System (90)
Youth (87)	Politics & Public Opinion (83)
Education (27)	Public Administration (39)
Inequality (15)	Social Order & Social Cohesion (18)
Labour & Employment (99)	Health & Welfare (54)
Migrant Workers (18)	Quality of Life (17)
Labour Relations (27)	Community & Urban Studies (49)
Organizational Management (34)	Others (15)

#### Statistical Tables

Social Trends (544)	Economic Growth 1910-1945 (95)
Regional Statistics 2008-2009 (31)	Int'l Comparative Statistics (ISSP) (291)

### Qualitative Data

KOSSDA has collected about 90 qualitative data files including documents, fieldnotes, and interview and narrative history data.

Population (11)	Overseas Korean (5)
Local Community (26)	Migrant Workers (3)
Political & Social Movement (19)	Social Research Documents (6)
Poverty (10)	Others (13)

### Literature

KOSSDA's literature holdings come largely from the Korea Social Science Library collection of 25 years, and include printed and electronic journals as well as research monographs.

Printed journals (1,500)	Dissertations (6,100)
Electronic journals (2,600)	Research monographs (81,300)

## DATA ACQUISITION & SERVICE

### Data Acquisition and Processing

KOSSDA acquires data mainly through deposit agreements with various data-producing organizations, such as university research institutes, government-funded research institutes, survey research companies, private research institutes, and public and civic organizations.

Acquired data are processed and uploaded to the KOSSDA DB system, after careful assessment. Data processing includes cleaning and correction of errors, construction of metadata files, and protection of confidential and private information.

### Data Search and Access

Integrated search of quantitative and qualitative data and literature can be conducted using research subjects, thesaurus, and keywords. A variable search and preview functions are also available for survey and qualitative data respectively.

Users can search and download micro data files and documentations such as metadata and survey questionnaire, and conduct online statistical analysis of survey data utilizing *NESSTAR* software. Electronic journals can be accessed online. Document delivery service (DDS) is available for printed journals and research monographs.

### Research and Education

For the service enhancement, KOSSDA conducts research on data acquisition and dissemination, database construction, and DB system improvement.

To encourage and support effective social science data utilization, KOSSDA offers workshops on data analysis and survey research methods using selected data sets during the winter (January-February) and summer (July- August). KOSSDA also offers free lectures on data searching at the request of educational or research institutes.

### Major Data Depositors

Busan Development Institute  
Center for Social Sciences, Seoul National Univ.  
Chungbuk Research Institute  
Daegu-Gyeongbuk Development Institute  
Daejeon Development Institute  
East Asia Institute  
Gallup Korea  
Gangwon Development Research Institute  
Gwangju Development Institute  
Gyeonggi Research Institute  
Gyeonggi Family & Women's Research Institute  
Gyeongnam Development Institute  
Hankook Research  
Hyundai Research Institute  
Incheon Development Institution  
Institute for International Trade, the Korea  
International Trade Association  
Institute for Peace and Unification Studies, Seoul  
National Univ.  
Institute for Social Development and Policy Research,  
Seoul National Univ.  
Institute for Social Development Studies, Yonsei Univ.  
Jeju Development Institute  
Jeonbuk Development Research Institute  
Jeonnam Research Institute  
Korea Center for City and Environment Research  
Korea Culture & Tourism Institute  
Korea Development Institute

Korea Information Society Development Institute  
Korea Institute for Health and Social Affairs  
Korea Institute for Industrial Economics & Trade  
Korea Institute of Public Administration  
Korea Labor Institute  
Korea Legislation Research Institute  
Korea Occupational Safety & Health Research Institute  
Korea Research Institute for Human Settlements  
Korea Research Institute for Local Administration  
Korea Research Institute for Vocational Education &  
Training  
Korea Rural Economic Institute  
Korea Social Research Center  
Korean Educational Development Institute  
Korean Institute of Criminology  
Korean Women's Development Institute  
National Human Rights Commission of Korea  
National Information Society Agency  
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Science and Technology Policy Institute  
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Seoul Welfare Foundation  
Statistics Research Institute  
Strategic Planning & Research Office, JoongAng Ilbo  
Survey Research Center, Sungkyunkwan Univ.  
Ulsan Development Institute  
Workers' Compensation Research Center, Korea  
Workers' Compensation & Welfare Service

### Membership

Membership subscription, either individual or institutional, is required to access KOSSDA services including data downloading, searching for electronic journals, and document delivery service. Corporate bodies or their affiliates including university libraries and research institutes may apply for institutional membership.

## ORGANIZATION

KOSSDA's governance structure consists of the Board of Trustees, the Consortium of Data-depositor Institutions, and the Executive Committee elected by the representatives of consortium institutions. The executive committee arranges and executes major activities of KOSSDA through three units: Planning and Management, Data Development, Research and Education.

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## FOUNDATION

KOSSDA was established by the Lee Inpyo Foundation. Mr. Lee Inpyo, the founder of Esquire Corporation, set up the foundation in 1983 with the vision of establishing a world-class social science information center in Korea. The foundation established the Korean Social Science Library in 1983 and the Korea Survey Data Archive in 2003. In 2006 the foundation integrated the two organizations creating KOSSDA, and has supported its subsequent developments.

The foundation supported KOSSDA's development of a comprehensive database system which allows users an integrated search of both data and literature as well as its extensive collection of Korean data, research reports, and journals. The board of trustees, consisting of 9 members, is the top decision-making body, and the office of the foundation supports the general affairs of KOSSDA.

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