Navigation

In this tutorial you will:

- learn how to navigate the site
- learn how to use the basic features of <odesi>

Notice that on the left hand side of the <odesi> home page there is a list of topics. These topics represent the data categories available.



TIP:

The instructions that follow provide a step by step look at navigating <odesi>.

Try to follow these instructions in your own browser as you progress through the tutorial.

Viewing surveys in a Data Category

To view surveys within a particular data category:

- 1) Click on the + icon beside the category. This will expand the list.
 - For this demonstration we will look at the *Communications and Information* category.
 - Click on the + icon beside this category to expand it.



• Notice that the surveys are grouped within the data category by country, title and year of publication.



- 2) Now we have a list of surveys that are available within this category.
 - For this demonstration we will look at the Canadian Internet Use Survey.
 - Click on the + icon beside this category to expand it.
 - Now we have the *Canadian Internet Use Survey*, 2005. Click on this survey title.



- 3) When you open a survey, the abstract of the survey will appear in the main part of the window.
 - Click on the grid to the left of the survey title.
 - Notice under the survey title, two options are available: *Metadata* and *Variable Description*.
 - Let's look at *Metadata* first.



Viewing metadata

Metadata includes information such as the Abstract, author, publisher, and keywords and provide links to any additional electronic documentation associated with the TIP: survey.

- Click on the + icon beside Metadata to expand this list.
 - Notice that there are 3 options: Study • Description, Data Files Description and Other Documentation
 - We will go through each of these.
- 2) Click on the + icon beside Study Description
 - The Study Description contains information such as the bibliographic citation, study scope, methodology and processing and data access.
 - You can browse each link by clicking on the title.

You should familiarize yourself with the information available within each of these categories.

It could make future searches easier.



Viewing variables

The Variable Description section contains all the variables that were used in the survey. These variables are often grouped by category.

- 1) Click on the + icon beside *Variable Description* to expand this list.
 - Notice, there are several categories of variables, such as *Demographic, Ever Users, Past Use, Location of Use* etc.



- Let's look at the demographic variables used in this survey. Click on the + icon beside *Demographic Variables* to open this list.
 - Here we have a list of all the variables in this category.



- 3) Click on the variable Age of respondent in 5 year groups.
 - Clicking on a variable name opens the frequency data available for that variable.
 - Notice the information that is available:
 - o Variable name
 - o Values
 - o Categories
 - o Weighted and unweighted frequencies
 - Frequency percentages
 - Summary Statistics

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- 4) Let's look at another variable. Click on the variable Respondent highest level of education.
 - Look at the frequency distribution for this variable.

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<u>Try it!</u>

Practice navigating through <odesi>. Open another survey.

- Open the Metadata
- Open the Variable Description
- Find the bibliographic citation
- Find the file name
- Find the codebook
- Open a variable to view its frequency distribution