Editorial

Dear SHARE users and friends,

This summer, we have finished the first pretest for the next wave of data collection in all countries, including accelerometry tests in a selection of 10 countries. The Train-The-Trainer (TTT) events at which we instruct the survey agencies how to train their interviewers for the field rehearsal are scheduled to take place in April 2019. Immediately after, we will go to the field until May. TTT for the main survey will then happen in September so that the main Wave 8 data collection can take place from October 2019 to June 2020.

In the meantime, SHARE has published the new data release 6.1.1 and developed a SHARE data & documentation tool which allows searching the SHARE (meta)data, documentation files and SHARE-based publications. Furthermore, our new Annual Activity Report provides insight into the scientific, operational and financial aspects of SHARE-ERIC in the past year. The newly published position paper addresses the urgent need of a specific type of EU support for research infrastructures like SHARE. With the SHARE Blog, which was launched this summer, researchers are provided a platform on which they can present their findings to a wider audience and exchange ideas with fellow scientists. Moreover, we have created a short film which explains SHARE in only three minutes.

Please enjoy reading about these and many more news in our SHARE Newsletter!

Yours sincerely,

Axel Börsch-Supan
SHARE Data & Documentation Tool

We are happy to present the new SHARE Data & Documentation Tool.

This web application developed by CentERdata in cooperation with SHARE Central adds to the comprehensive existing documentation material for SHARE. The tool is a fast, customizable, easy-to-use web interface for browsing and searching the SHARE (meta)data, documentation files and publications based on SHARE. One important new feature of the system is that codebooks for all modules of all currently released SHARE waves can be generated.

Take a look and find out more at www.share-datadocutool.org

Data Release 6.1.1

Release 6.1.1 was published in June 2018. It covers Wave 1 to Wave 6 and comprises some updates in SHARELIFE as well as updates in the gv_isced module of the regular SHARE panel waves. Further information is available on the SHARE website and in the updated SHARE Release Guide 6.1.1.

Please note that easySHARE – the simplified SHARE dataset for student training and for researchers who have little experience in quantitative analyses of complex survey data – was updated, too.

**Download the data:** You can register as a user and download the data >>here.

**Documentation:** All documentation files can be found >>here. Note that there has been an update of the SHARE Release Guides, too.

**Questionnaires:** Generic and country-specific questionnaires used during fieldwork can be downloaded >>here.

Annual Activity Report 2017-18

The SHARE-ERIC Annual Activity Report 2017-18 provides an overview of the scientific, operational and financial proceedings of SHARE in the past year. Furthermore, it outlines several examples of how SHARE data has supported evidence-based policy making in Europe.

The report can be accessed here.
Position Paper on Long-Term Financial Sustainability

Having all EU Member States participating is essential for social science surveys like SHARE-ERIC and ESS-ERIC. Full European coverage is necessary to scientifically analyse and compare the different health, social and economic policies of the individual countries as well as to draw policy conclusions. A specific type of EU support for research infrastructures like SHARE, however, is currently lacking. For this reason, we have published a position paper which addresses the current problems and proposes solutions.

Read the position paper >>here.

SHARE Blog

The new SHARE Blog is a platform on which researchers working with SHARE data can present their findings to a wider audience as well as exchange ideas with fellow scientists. It covers different scientific areas such as ageing, health, social and family networks, socio-economic status as well as methodological and statistical advancements:

>>www.share-blog.eu

SHARE Film

What is SHARE? Our new film answers this question in only three minutes. Please feel free to share it on your social networks!

>>click here to watch the film
SHARE Wave 7 Compliance Profiles

We have released the Compliance Profiles of Wave 7. Please find our summary evaluation on deliverables and selected performance indicators of the survey agencies in the >> pdf document.

SHARE-ERIC Council Meeting 2018

The annual SHARE-ERIC Council Meeting was held at the Max Planck Society headquarters in Munich on 4 May 2018. We are happy to announce that Croatia and Cyprus joined the ERIC.

#SHAREfacts

We have created a new social media format called #SHAREfacts. It facilitates the quick and easy dissemination of research results based on SHARE data on social media. #SHAREfacts break down scientific studies into short and easy-to-digest facts - please feel free to share it on your social networks!

The #SHAREfacts can be found on >>Facebook and >>Twitter

Visit by Ministers

German Federal Minister of Education and Research, Anja Karliczek, and her colleague, Bavarian Minister for Science and Arts, Prof. Dr. Marion Kiechle visited SHARE. With its managing director, Prof. Axel Börsch-Supan, the ministers discussed research on chances and challenges of population ageing.
Pension Adequacy Report 2018

On July 2, Prof. Börsch-Supan and Yuri Pettinicchi attended the presentation of the Pension Adequacy Report 2018 by the European Commission’s Social Protection Committee. The report draws on SHARE data as well as on contributions by Yuri Pettinicchi and Prof. Börsch-Supan. Its main findings were presented and discussed with Member States, social partners, stakeholder organisations and experts (one of which was Prof. Börsch-Supan). The report can be accessed >>here.

1st Joint ESS & SHARE User Meeting

On November 23, the first joint ESS & SHARE user meeting took place in Vienna. At the meeting, research findings based on analyses of ESS and SHARE data from a comparative and/or longitudinal perspective were discussed, as well as methodological contributions.

Selected new Publications

Books


Book Chapters


Journal Articles


Marques, A., M. Peralta, J. Martins, M. Gaspar de Matos and R. C. Brownson (2017): Cross-sectional and Prospective Relationship between Physical Activity and Chronic Diseases in European Older Adults. International


Porru, F., A. Burdorf and S. Robroek (2018): The Impact of Depressive Symptoms on Exit from Paid Employment in >> back to contents


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