

Sources of Open Access Research Data

Registry of Research Data Repositories

<https://www.re3data.org/>

This is a searchable directory of research data repositories. Users can browse data by subject, content type or country. You can also search for specific types of data or organisations, such as universities, charities or other institutions.

The British Library

<https://data.bl.uk/>

As part of its work to open its data to wider use, the British Library makes copies of some of its datasets available for research and creative purposes. This is a creative 'space' developed by the BL Labs team for researchers to download large 'chunks' of the British Library's openly available data and digital collections so that they can experiment with them and develop new innovative projects.

Data.Europa.EU

<https://data.europa.eu/en>

The official portal for European data - this site contains open data published by EU institutions and bodies. Includes publications, statistics and data sets from EU countries. The portal is intended to:

- give access and foster the reuse of European open data among citizens, business and organisations;
- promote and support the release of more and better-quality metadata and data by the EU's institutions, agencies and other bodies, and European countries;
- educate citizens and organisations about the opportunities that arise from the availability of open data.

Figshare

<https://figshare.com/>

Figshare is a repository where users can make all of their research outputs available in a citable, shareable and discoverable manner. You can search or browse by subject/academic discipline for research data and preprints of articles.

World Bank Open Data

<https://data.worldbank.org/>

Free and open access to global development data. Users can search or browse data by country, category or indicators including Education, Climate Change, Health, Trade, Infrastructure, and many more.

Wellcome Open Research

<https://wellcomeopenresearch.org/>

Wellcome Open Research provides all researchers funded by Wellcome with a place to publish any results they think are worth sharing. All articles benefit from rapid publication, transparent peer review and editorial guidance on making all source data openly available.

To find research data (as opposed to complete articles), when searching you should select filters, then go to Article Type and pick "Data Note" from the menu.

The Urban Big Data Centre

<https://www.ubdc.ac.uk/data-services/data-catalogue/open-data/>

The UBDC has collected a range of urban-related data that is openly available for use by anyone. You can browse the data available on their [Open Data Catalogue](#).

Focused on the major UK cities, it holds a range of urban-related data, covering topics such as commercial data, governmental data, transportation data, social media and other unstructured data. It allows users from a variety of backgrounds and disciplines, with varying degrees of computing knowledge, to interface with the data we hold.