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Introduction

The following checklists provide a quick and concise set of steps to access each of ADR UK’s flagship datasets that will be used by the 2023 ADR UK PhD cohort.

Please note: some dataset names have been updated, and some will be refreshed over the next few months. For any questions, please contact us at ADRStudentships@esrc.ukri.org.
1. Apply to become an accredited researcher under the Digital Economy Act 2017
   • Complete the application form through the ONS Research Accreditation Service. Contact srs.customer.support@ons.gov.uk with any questions.

2. Apply for an accredited research project
   • View the ASHE -2011 Census dataset on the ADR UK Data Catalogue
   • Submit an application to the Research Accreditation Service: Apply for an accredited research project – ONS.

3. Access the data securely
   The options available to access this dataset are:
   • **Safe Rooms** – based in ONS offices in Titchfield and Newport, open Monday-Friday, 9.00-16.00
   • **SafePod Network** – a small, self-contained secure room with a single workstation
   • **Assured Organisational Connectivity** – the ability to access the ONS Secure Research Service from your office or home. Check what arrangements your institution already has or can put in place.
Data First: Cross-Justice System – England & Wales

1. Apply to become an accredited researcher under the Digital Economy Act 2017
   - Complete the application form through the ONS Research Accreditation Service. Contact srs.customer.support@ons.gov.uk with any questions.

2. Apply to access the cross-justice system linked dataset
   - View details of the dataset on the ADR UK Data Catalogue and the MoJ Data First Data Catalogues
   - Submit an application form to the MoJ: Data First secure access to data - GOV.UK
   - Submit an application to the Research Accreditation Service: Apply for an accredited research project – ONS.

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   • Complete the application form through the ONS Research Accreditation Service. Contact srs.customer.support@ons.gov.uk with any questions.

2. Project application and scoping
   • View details of the dataset in the family court data catalogue and Cafcass data catalogue
   • Contact the SAIL Databank to discuss your research project and its viability
   • Complete the scoping document setting out SAIL Databank related activities, timescales, resource usage and costs. NOTE: ADR UK will cover data access costs for ADR UK-funded PhD students.

3. Information governance
   • Sign and submit a project scoping document
   • Complete the online Information Governance Review Panel application form. Contact help.saildatabank.com for access
   • SAIL will also help you to complete a UKSA Research Accreditation Panel application.

4. Gain approval to use the SAIL Gateway
   • Complete the SAIL Gateway Account Request Form: New User Application (ukserp.ac.uk)
   • Sign and return the SAIL data access agreement (this will be e-mailed to you).
Data First: Ministry of Justice & Department for Education linked dataset – England

1. Apply to become an accredited researcher under the Digital Economy Act 2017
   • Complete the application form through the ONS Research Accreditation Service. Contact srs.customer.support@ons.gov.uk with any questions.

2. Apply to access the MoJ-DfE linked dataset
   To access the MoJ-DfE linked dataset, researchers must directly apply to both the MoJ and DfE:
   • Complete this ethics self-assessment tool (and/or equivalent institutional ethical approval)
   • Complete the application form for secure access to data: Data First secure access to data - GOV.UK
   • Send all required paperwork (above) to data.SHARING@education.gov.uk and DataLinkingTeam@Justice.gov.uk.

3. Access the data securely
   The options available to access this dataset are:
   • Safe Rooms – based in the ONS offices in Titchfield and Newport, open Monday-Friday, 9.00-16.00
   • SafePod Network – a small, self-contained secure room with a single workstation
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Read more on this dataset
Grading and Admissions Data for England (GRADE)

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   - Complete the application form through the ONS Research Accreditation Service. Contact srs.customer.support@ons.gov.uk with any questions.

2. Apply for an accredited research project
   - View the GRADE dataset on the ADR UK Data Catalogue
   - Submit an application to the Research Accreditation Service: Apply for an accredited research project – ONS.

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   The options available to access this dataset are:
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Growing Up in England (GUIE)

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2. Apply for an accredited research project
   • View the GUIE dataset on the ADR UK Catalogue. Note the different waves:
     • [GUIE Wave 1](#) (Standard conditions for the use of data in the SRS)
     • [GUIE Wave 2 - Children in Need, Children Looked After](#) (Special statistical disclosure rules)
     • [GUIE Wave 2 - Exclusions, Absences and English School Census](#) (Special statistical disclosure rules).
   • Submit an application to the Research Accreditation Service: [Apply for an accredited research project – ONS](#).

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   The options available to access this dataset are:
   • [Safe Rooms](#) – based in ONS offices in Titchfield and Newport, open Monday-Friday, 9.00-16.00
   • [SafePod Network](#) – a small, self-contained secure room with a single workstation
   • [Assured Organisational Connectivity](#) – the ability to access the ONS Secure Research Service from your office or home. Check what arrangements your institution already has or can put in place.

[Read more on this dataset](#)
Longitudinal Education Outcomes – England (LEO)

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   • Complete the application form through the ONS Research Accreditation Service. Contact srs.customer.support@ons.gov.uk with any questions.

2. Apply for an accredited research project
   • View the LEO dataset on the ADR UK Data Catalogue
   • Submit the following to the ONS:
     • main project application form: Apply for an accredited research project – ONS
     • ethics self-assessment tool (and/or equivalent institutional ethical approval)
     • EO I1SE Variable Request Form (variables required for your project).

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Visit GOV.UK’s Apply to Access LEO page and review the FAQs for all the info you need to access LEO.

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Looked After Children – Wales

Read more on this dataset
1. **Apply to become a certified researcher**
   - Apply for the [ONS Safe Researcher Training course](https://example.com). Contact [scadr@ed.ac.uk](mailto:scadr@ed.ac.uk) with any questions.

2. **Apply for a research project**
   - View the Scottish Government: Looked After Children Longitudinal Dataset on the [ADR UK Data Catalogue](https://example.com).
   - Complete an initial enquiry form to be submitted to the eDRIS team: [Initial enquiry form | Research Data Scotland](https://example.com).
   - An eDRIS Research Coordinator will help you submit an [application form](https://example.com) to the Statistics Public Benefit and Privacy Panel and inform you if further approvals or training are required.

3. **Access the data securely (assuming linked data is required)**
   - Currently the only option for access to this data is the [Scottish National Safe Haven](https://example.com) – there is remote access through a secure portal.
   - This is being reviewed at which point additional options will include a secure access point in Edinburgh and through the [SafePod Network](https://example.com).

[Read more on this dataset](https://example.com)
Welsh Environment Dataset

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