

Recent Books and Journals Articles in Public Opinion, Survey Methods, Survey Statistics, and Big Data. 2016 Update

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JOURNALS SPECIAL ISSUES

Big Data published a special issue on “Visualization in data science”. Volume

4, Issue 2, 2016.

International Journal of Social Research Methodology published a virtual issue on “Visual research methods”. 2016.

Journal of Applied Statistics published a special issue on “Statistics in the social sciences”. Volume 43, Issue 13, 2016.

Journal of Official Statistics published a special issue on “Emerging trends and challenges for official statistics”. Volume 31, Issue 2, 2015.

Journal of Official Statistics published a special issue on “Coverage problems in administrative sources”. Volume 31, Issue 3, 2015.

Methods, Data and Analysis (MDA) published a special issue on “The collection of survey data using mixed devices”. Volume 9, Issue 2, 2015.

Political Analysis published a virtual issue on “Recent innovations in text analysis for social science”. 2016.

Psihologija published a special issue on “Survey participation and response”. Volume 48, Issue 4, 2015.

Political Analysis published a special issue on “Time series” Volume 24, Issue 1, 2016.

Public Opinion Quarterly published a special issue on “Party polarization” Volume 80, Issue S1.

Public Opinion Quarterly published a virtual issue on “Coloring public opinion”. 2016_._

Social Science Computer Review published a special issue on “Methods for probability-based online and mixed-mode panels”. Volume 34, Issue 1, 2016.

Sociological Methods and Research published a special issue on “Case study research: putting the Quant into the Qual”. Volume 45, Issue 3, 2016.

Statistics in Transition published a special issue on “The measurement of subjective well-being in survey research”. Volume 16, Issue 3, 2015.

Statistical Journal of the LAOS published a special section on “Data fabrication in surveys”. Volume 33, Issue 3, 2016.

Survey Practice published a special issue on “Interviewer-respondent interaction”. Volume 9, Issue 2, 2016.

“*Annual Reviews* critically reviews the most significant primary research literature to guide researchers to the principal contributions of their field [...] Each article is its own search engine, providing a gateway to the essential primary research literature referenced within each topic” (from the *Annual*

Reviews website).

Relevant to our topics are three reviews published recently:

Bollen, K.A., P.P. Biemer, A.F. Karr, S. Tueller and M.E. Berzofsky. 2016. Are survey weights needed? A review of diagnostic tests in regression analysis. *Annual Review of Statistics and Its Application* 3(1): 375–392.

Chandler, J. and D. Shapiro. 2016. Conducting clinical research using crowdsourced convenience samples. *Annual Review of Clinical Psychology* 12(1): 53–81.

Cuesta, B. de la and K. Imai. 2016. Misunderstandings about the regression discontinuity design in the study of close elections. *Annual Review of Political Science* 19(1): 375–396.

PUBLIC OPINION BOOKS

Asher, H. 2016. *Polling and the public. What every citizen should know (9th ed.)*. CQ Press, Thousand Oaks, CA.

Bardes, B.A. and R.W. Oldendick. 2016. *Public opinion. Measuring the American mind (5th ed.)*. Rowman & Littlefield, Lanham, MD.

Clawson, R.A. and Z.M. Oxley. 2016. *Public opinion. Democratic ideals, democratic practice (3rd ed. revised)*. CQ Press, Washington, D.C.

Enns, P.K. 2016. *Incarceration nation. How the United States became the most punitive democracy in the world*. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, MA.

Hersh, E.D. 2015. *Hacking the electorate. How campaigns perceive voters*. Cambridge, New York.

Jungherr, A. 2015. *Analyzing political communication with digital trace data: the role of Twitter messages in social science research*. Springer, New York.

Stempel, G.H. and T.K. Hargrove. 2015. *The 21st-century voter: who votes, how they vote, and why they vote (Vols. 1–2)*. ABC-CLIO, Santa Barbara, CA.

Wuthnow, R. 2015. *Inventing American religion: polls, surveys, and the tenuous quest for a nation's faith*. Oxford University Press, Oxford.

SURVEY METHODS BOOKS

Dabalen, A., Etang, A., Hoogeveen, J., Mushi, E., Schipper, Y. and von Engelhardt, J. 2016. *Mobile phone panel surveys in developing countries: A practical guide for microdata collection*. World Bank Publications, Washington D.C.

DeVellis, R.F. 2016. *Scale development. Theory and applications (5th ed.)*. Sage, London.

Engel, U. 2015. *Survey measurements: techniques, data quality and sources of error*. Campus Verlag, Frankfurt.

Fink, A. 2016. *How to conduct surveys. A step-by-step guide (6th ed.)*. Sage, Los Angeles.

Fox, J.A. 2015. *Randomized response and related methods. Surveying sensitive data (2nd ed.)*. Los Angeles: Sage.

Johnson, R.L. and G.B. Morgan. 2016. *Survey scales: a guide to development, analysis, and reporting*. Guilford, New York.

Louviere, J.J., T.N. Flynn and A.A.J. Marley. 2015. *Best-worst scaling: theory, methods and applications*. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

Nakray, K., M. Alston and K. Whittenbury. (Eds.). 2016. *Social science research ethics for a globalizing world. Interdisciplinary and cross-cultural perspectives*. Routledge, New York.

Panel on Addressing Priority Technical Issues for the Next Decade of the American Community Survey, Committee on National Statistics, Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education. 2015. *Realizing the potential of the American Community Survey: challenges, tradeoffs, and opportunities*. National Academies Press, Washington, D.C.

Ruel, E., W.E.I. Wagner and B.J. Gillespie. 2015. *The practice of survey research. Theory and applications*. Sage, Los Angeles, CA.

Snee, H., C. Hine, Y. Morey, S. Roberts and H. Watson. (Eds.). 2016. *Digital methods for social science. An interdisciplinary guide to research innovation*. Palgrave Macmillan, New York.

Toepoel, V. 2016. *Doing surveys online*. Sage, London.

Williams, C. 2015. *Doing international research. Global and local methods*. Sage, London.

Wolf, C., D. Joye, T.W. Smith and Y. Fu. (Eds.). 2016. *The SAGE handbook of survey methodology*. Sage, London.

SURVEY STATISTICS BOOKS

Alvarez, R.M. (ed.). 2016. *Computational social science. Discovery and prediction*. Cambridge University Press, New York.

Bartolucci, F., S. Bacci and M. Gnadi. 2016. *Statistical analysis of questionnaires: a unified approach based on R and Stata*. CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL.

Chaudhuri, A., T. C. Christofides and C. R. Rao. (Eds.). 2016. *Handbook of statistics 34. Data gathering, analysis and protection of privacy through*

randomized response techniques: qualitative and quantitative. North-Holland, Amsterdam.

Cooper, H. 2016. *Research synthesis and meta-analysis. A step-by-step approach (2nd ed.)*. Sage, Los Angeles.

Dean, A., M. Morris, J. Stufken and D. Bingham. 2015. *Handbook of design and analysis of experiments*. CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL.

Field, A. 2016. *An adventure in statistics. The reality enigma*. Sage, London.

Harron, K., H. Goldstein and C. Dibben. (Eds.). 2016. *Methodological developments in data linkage*. Wiley, Hoboken, NJ.

Kent, R.A. 2016. *Analysing quantitative data variable-based and case-based approaches to non-experimental datasets*. Sage, London.

Lewis, T.H. 2016. *Complex survey data analysis with SAS*. CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL.

Mukhopadhyay, P. 2016. *Complex surveys. Analysis of categorical data*. Springer, Singapore.

Pratesi, M. (Ed.). 2016. *Analysis of poverty data by small area estimation*. Wiley, Hoboken, NJ.

Quatember, A. 2015. *Pseudo-populations. A basic concept in statistical surveys*. Springer, Cham.

Raghunathan, T. 2015. *Missing data analysis in practice*. CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL.

Rao, J.N.K. and I. Molina. 2015. *Small area estimation (2nd ed.)*. Wiley, Hoboken, NJ.

Roy, T.K., R. Acharya and A. Roy. 2016. *Statistical survey design and evaluating impact*. Cambridge University Press, Delhi.

Stemmler, M., A. von Eye and W. Wiedermann. (Eds.). 2015. *Dependent data in social sciences research. Forms, issues, and methods of analysis*. Springer, Cham.

Weakliem, D. 2016. *Hypothesis testing and model selection in the social sciences*. Guilford Press, New York.

Wywiał, J.L. 2015. *Sampling designs dependent on sample parameters of auxiliary variables*. Springer, New York.

BIG DATA, SOCIAL MEDIA, DATA VISUALIZATION, AND OTHER RELEVANT BOOKS

Berinato, S. 2016. *Good charts: The HBR guide to making smarter, more*

- persuasive data visualizations*. Harvard Business Review Press, Boston, MA.
- Bruno, I., F. Jany-Catrice and B. Touchelay. (Eds.). 2016. *The social sciences of quantification. From politics of large numbers to target-driven policies*. Springer, New York.
- Bühlmann, P., P. Drineas, M. Kane and M. van der Laan. (Eds.). 2016. *Handbook of Big Data*. CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL.
- Caffo, B., R.D. Peng and J. Leek. 2016. *Executive data science. A guide to training and managing the best data scientists*. Leanpub.
- Cairo, A. 2016. *The truthful art: data, charts, and maps for communication*. New Riders, San Francisco.
- Evergreen, S.D.H. 2016.) *Effective data visualization. The right chart for the right data*. Sage, Los Angeles.
- Foster, I., R. Ghani, R.S. Jarmin, F. Kreuter & J. Lane. (Eds.). 2016. *Big Data and social science: a practical guide to methods and tools*. CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL.
- Hai-Jew, S. (Ed.). 2016. *Social media data extraction and content analysis*. IGI Global, Harrisburg, PA.
- Hofmann, M. and A. Chisholm. (Eds.). 2015. *Text mining and visualization: case studies using open-source tools*. CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL.
- Ignatow, G. and R. Mihalcea. 2016. *Text mining. A guidebook for the social sciences*. Sage, Thousand Oaks, CA.
- Kirk, A. 2016. *Data visualisation. A handbook for data driven design*. Sage, London.
- Knaflic, C.N. 2015. *Storytelling with data: A data visualization guide for business professionals*. Wiley, Hoboken, NJ.
- Liu, B. 2015. *Sentiment analysis: mining opinions, sentiments, and emotions*. Cambridge University Press, New York.
- Peng, R.D. and E. Matsui. 2016. *The art of data science. A guide for anyone who works with data*. Leanpub.
- Vis, F. and M. Thelwall. 2016. *Researching social media*. Sage, London.