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Requirements for Submission: Citation, Data and Documentation

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- Survey Sponsor(s)
- Organization(s) responsible for Data Collection
- Sample type (include geographic coverage)
- Sample Description
- Size of Sample
- Selection Procedure
- Interview Dates
- Interview Method and Mode
- Method of sample selection
- Title of the Survey
- Location of the WEIGHTS in the study and a description of the weighting factors
- Any restrictions or embargoes placed on the availability of the data
- Measurements of sampling error

Dataset Requirements. In practical terms, each study should include:

- Data file(s)
- Preferred formats include ASCII, SPSS, SAS, or STATA*
- Questionnaire(s) or codebook(s)
- Other supporting documentation (e.g.: column guides, open-ended codes, technical reports, weighting information, etc.).
- Reports or press releases that have been derived from the data.
- Response rate information, including the number of completed interviews, the number of eligible reporting units in the sample, and the number of incomplete interviews.

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