Sharing of (Meta-)Data in Social Science Research on the **COVID-19 Pandemic: A Mapping of Germany**

Project Best_FDM*:

A collection of German research initiatives which empirically examine the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on society: https://www.konsortswd.de/en/ratswd/topics/corona/

More than 200 studies as of February 2021



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How do we collect the studies?

- Monitoring the German social science community, especially the institutions represented in and the data centres accredited by the RatSWD
- IDW newsletter: https://idw-online.de/en/
- Being individually approached by projects/researchers



RatSWD German Data Forum

Data Access and Openness

22%

of studies made their datasets openly accessible or are planning to do so

Awareness of the importance of Open Science practices could be enhanced, particularly among researchers in small ad hoc projects

Next Steps and Objectives

- Update and expand the collection of studies
- Organise events to cross-link researchers
- national and international exchange
- research data management
- Increase awareness of data quality
- societal crises





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73%

of studies shared their results as open access publications

Analyse surveys and develop a standard questionnaire Publish recommendations in the RatSWD Output Series Conceptualise and start to establish a contact point for

Improve interoperability and standardised Enhance networking of social science research in

Promote a cultural change towards Open Science



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