Funders' Data Policies

If you are funded by the AHRC or ESRC:

- You must submit a Data Management Plan
- AHRC and ESRC can help with the costs of managing data
- You are required to include a data access statement in your published article specifying how any underlying data can be accessed

**DATA DEPOSIT**
Significant electronic resources and datasets should be made available via “an accessible and appropriate depository” for at least three years after the end of the project. If this is not possible, a justification must be given in the DMP.

**ACCESS AND DATA SHARING**
The default expectation is that access to these outputs will be free. If the intention is to charge for access, this must be justified.

**DATA DEPOSIT**
Research data created or re-purposed during a project must be made available for re-use or archiving with the ESRC data service providers (e.g. the UK Data Service – UKDS) within three months of the end of the grant.

**ACCESS AND DATA SHARING**
It is the responsibility of the researcher to consider confidentiality, ethics, security and copyright before beginning any ESRC-funded research. It may be that parts of the data that are sensitive cannot be shared, but the remainder can.

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**Further information**

- AHRC Data Management Plan guide
- AHRC Research Funding Guide
- AHRC Policies
- ESRC Research Data Policy
- ESRC Framework for Research Ethics
- UK Data Service

You can find data management plan templates for AHRC and ESRC at DMP online

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