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Data article

Title: Survey of public data sources on the Internet usage and other Internet statistics

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Abstract

The Internet research is mainly driven by data. Obtaining such data by planning and launching measurement campaigns is rather time consuming and costly. Much more efficient, and in many cases, sufficient data acquisition strategy is to exploit the existing datasets available in public databases, repositories, and documents. Hence, the public data sources related to the Internet usage and other Internet statistics are systematically surveyed and categorized to make the search for the Internet data much easier and faster. Extensive online searches and exploring websites of the key organizations were used to identify the data sources. Each data source was then carefully explored to describe its characteristics and contents. The data are usually aggregated over certain time periods and regions, and often indexed by age, gender, application, website, activity and other attributes. Some data sources also support various data visualization options, and offer data export in multiple formats.

Subject area	Engineering, Computer Science
More specific subject area	Computer networks, Telecommunications
Type of data	5 Tables, 1 Figure
How data was acquired	Survey of public datasets on WWW
Data format	URL with brief description
Experimental factors	Each dataset was explored for its contents and then categorized.
Experimental features	Guided searches on WWW. Search of WWW of relevant organizations.
Data source location	N/A
Data accessibility	Included with this data brief.

Specifications Table

Value of the data

- There is no other centralized collection of public datasets on the Internet usage and other Internet statistics while searching for such datasets is a very time consuming process.
- The identified data sources can be used to identify and understand the current and future trends in the Internet usage.
- Having the Internet usage data and statistics is important to understand a rapidly ongoing digitalization of many sectors of the economy including manufacturing, healthcare, education and entertainment.
- It is vital that data sources on the Internet usage are regularly updated and made available to the researchers as well as policy and decision makers in order to keep evolving the Internet for the maximum benefits of the society.

Data

There are different types of data associated with the Internet. The Internet measurements are used for real-time network management, long-term network planning as well as to evaluate how the Internet is used and its impact on the economy and the society. The measurements used for network management are obtained directly from the Internet traffic flows. The network planning for 1 or 2 years ahead of the current demand is based on the traffic trend forecasting by extrapolating historical data. For longer-term planning beyond a 2 year horizon and to evaluate the long-term and large scale impacts of the Internet, the user questionnaires and other market research methods are necessary. The Internet data are regularly published by the government institutions, regulatory bodies, communication service providers, and private organizations. The data with low level of aggregation are usually only accessible for a fee. The published Internet usage data are highly aggregated which reduces the resolution, but also the variations in data. In order to obtain measurements for high volume and high throughput traffic, or to efficiently represent the Internet topology at multiple time scales, statistical sampling strategies are required to process smaller but statistically relevant traffic traces

The collected datasets were somewhat liberally organized in the following 5 tables:

Table 1. Internet measurements: These datasets mostly contain data on the the Internet usage in a given region such as the number of subscribers, cellular coverage, security issues and the quality of service including access speeds and response times.

Table 2. Internet applications: These datasets can be used to evaluate how the users spent their time on the Internet, often focusing on the specific regions of the world and specific websites such as social networking applications or Youtube.

Table 3. Various Internet statistics: These datasets provides information about the Internet usage and usage analytics in various parts of the world.

Table 4. Internet availability: These datasets are concerned with the Internet accesses in different countries and world regions.

Table 5. More comprehensive datasets related to the Internet: These datasets often contain various other data in addition to the Internet data.

Experimental Design, Materials and Methods

The most important data sources on the Internet usage containing the most comprehensive datasets are summarized in Figure 1. The following two main strategies were used to find the relevant datasets. First, the World Wide Web (WWW) was searched using various combinations of keywords to find about 80% of the collected datasets. The keywords considered combined the word `Internet' with one or more of the following search terms: traffic, database, data, access, usage, users, and statistics. The keyword search can be further modified, for example, by specifying the country or a region. The second strategy for finding the relevant datasets is to first identify the institutions which are known to be reporting various Internet related statistics, and then examine their websites. Overall, over 400 candidate websites were explored to select the relevant datasets. It is not surprising that often, but fortunately, not always, the high quality datasets (i.e., those which are reliable and regularly kept up to date) are only available to the paying subscribers. However, these pay-for-access datasets have been excluded

from the survey. The main attributes of interest that were checked for when screening the datasets are: whether the data are provided for free, who is maintaining the dataset, how often the data are updated, in what format the data are available, and especially, what data are specifically provided and how they are indexed or categorized. Moreover, many international institutions have a policy to publish datasets with description in multiple languages. The total volume of data in each dataset varies significantly among the data providers including the time coverage and the availability of historical data. Most data seem to be normally accessible in smaller chunks, usually organized around a specific reporting purpose or issue.

References [1-5] are recommended for performing longer-term traffic and applications forecasting in the Internet. The Internet measurement procedures are described in [6-9] whereas focus on measuring the digital economy can be found in [10-12]. Digitalization of the economy is explained in [13] while many technical and business aspects of digitalization of the Internet services are studied in [14]. The value of open access data and the associated data regulation are discussed in [15] and [16].

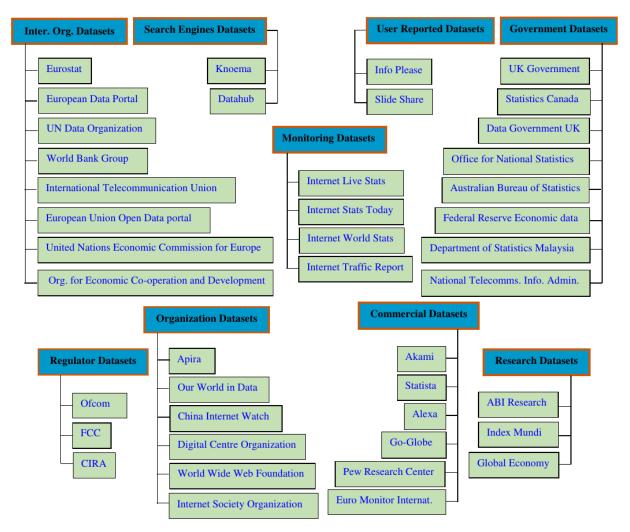


Figure 1. The most comprehensive datasets on the Internet usage and other Internet statitsics.

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Table 1: Internet measurements

	Data source	Data	Notes
1.	Individual usage of the Internet.	1960-2015: Number of Internet users. Fixed broadband subscriptions. Fixed telephone subscriptions. Secure	Yearly updates. XLS, XML and CSV format. Indexing by global, region, country and income. In 5 langs. ²
	The World Bank Group.	Internet. servers. Mobile cell.	
	http://data.worldbank.org	subscriptions.	
2.	The World Factbook.	2014: Number of Internet users.	Updated 2014 (15 th ed.). TXT
	The CIA.		format. Indexing by country. In 8 langs.
	https://www.cia.gov		
3.	ICT facts and figures.	2000 & 2015: Internet users.	A report published in 2015.
	ITU.	2011 & 2015: 3G mobile broadband	PDF format. Indexing by global, region, country and
	https://www.itu.int	coverage.	level of development.
		2005-2015: Mobile and fixed broadband subscriptions. Individuals using Internet. Household Internet access. 2008-2014: Internet prices.	
		2014: Internet speeds.	
4.	ICT Fact and figures. ITU. <u>https://www.itu.int</u>	2005-2014: Fixed & mobile broadband subscriptions. Individuals using Internet. Household Internet access 2013: Internet speeds.	A report published in 2014. PDF format. Indexed by country and level of development.
5.	Measuring the information	2020: The targets.	A report published in 2015.
	society.	2015: Internet access.	PDF format. Indexed by global, level of development, gender,
	ITU.	2005-2015: Individuals using the	region and country.
	https://www.itu.int	Internet. 2005-2015: Household Internet access. 3G network coverage.	
		2014: Cyber security level.	
		2010 & 2015: Internet development induction.	
		2008-2014: Internet prices and speeds.	
		2000-2015: Fixed & mobile broadband subscriptions. Individuals using Internet. Household Internet access.	

	Data source	Data	Notes
6.	Women's rights online. WWW Foundation. <u>http://webfoundation.org</u>	2014: Internet user and access. Barriers to using Internet. Reasons for using social media. Internet use in political and economic issues.	A report published in 2015. PDF format. Indexed by gender, education, age and gender. For 9 countries.
7.	Men vs. Women: Who Is more active on social media? Iris Vermere. <u>https://www.brandwatch.co</u> m	2014: Internet user activity in social media.	A 2015 online article. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by gender. In 5 langs.
8.	— Map of Internet users. Visually website. <u>https://visual.ly</u>	2014: Internet users.	Last update in 2012. PNG format. Indexed by country and gender. ^{1,2}
9.	Internet users by country and gender. <u>Gilly Wright.</u> <u>https://www.gfmag.com</u>	2000-2014: Internet users.	Last update in 2014. JPG and TXT format. Indexed by level of development, country and gender. ¹
10	Global Internet report. Internet Society Organization. <u>http://www.internetsociety.o</u> rg	 2007-2012: Internet users. 2008-2012: Fixed Internet subscriptions. Mobile broadband. 2010-2018: Fixed Internet traffic. 2011-2018: Mobile Internet traffic. 2013: Traffic generated different apps. 2014: Open and sustainable Internet survey. 	Survey published in 2014. PDF format. Indexed by global, region and gender. For 20 countries.
11	UNECE Statistical Database <u>.</u> <u>UNECE.</u> <u>http://w3.unece.org</u>	1990-2016: Internet use	Yearly, quarterly and weekly updates. XLS, CSV and PX format. Indexed by age, gender and country. ^{1,2}
12	Over a quarter of the world's Internet users are aged 16-24. Global Web Index by Jason Mander. http://blog.globalwebindex.n et	Q3-Q4 2014: Internet users.	Article published in 2015. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by age (16-24), global and selected country. ¹

	Data source	Data	Notes
13	World Internet users.	1960-2015: Internet users.	Yearly updates. XML and CSV format. Indexed by global, region and country. ¹
	UN Data Organization.		
	http://data.un.org		
14	Internet users - for all countries.	1990-2011: Internet users.	Last update in 2011. SVG, PNG and BMP format. Indexed by
	Fact Fish.		country. In 3 langs. ^{1,2}
	http://www.factfish.com		
15	Internet users - country rankings.	1960-2015: Internet users.	Yearly. Free for JPG. Not free for Excel and CSV format.
	The Global Economy.		Indexed by global, region and country. In 6 langs. ¹
	http://www.theglobaleconom y.com		
.6	Internet use and income.	2007-2014: Internet use and income.	SVG, PNG and BMP format. Indexed by country. ¹
	Internet Monitor.		
	https://dashboard.thenetmon itor.org		
L7	Real time web monitor for	Real time web monitor for Internet	Continuous updates. SVG,
	internet traffic and attack.	traffic and attack.	PNG and BMP format. Indexe
	Akami.		by country. In 8 langs.
	https://www.akamai.com		
.8	Traffic data.	Traffic index, response times and	Daily, weekly and monthly updates. GIF and BMP format
	Internet Traffic Report.	packet losses.	Indexed by region and
	http://www.internetttrafficre port.com		country.
9	Fixed broadband subscriptions.	Internet users.	Yearly updates. Indexed by region and country. ¹
	Index Mundi.		
	http://www.indexmundi.com		

	Data source	Data	Notes
20	Distribution of Internet users in Europe.	2014: Internet users in Europe.	Last update 2014. PNG, XLS, PPT and PDF format. Indexed
	Statista.		by age. Sourced from more than 18,000 datasets. In 4
	https://www.statista.com		langs.
21	Internet users.	2008-2010: Internet users.	Last update in 2012. JPG and BMP format. Indexed by
•	ITU.		gender and country in Europe.
	http://www.itu.int		
22	Internet users.	1990-2015: Internet users.	Yearly updates. XLS, PDF, PPT, SVG, PNG, BMP, CSV and TSV
•	Data Market.		format. Indexed by income
	https://datamarket.com		and region. ¹
23	Internet users.	1990-2015: Internet users.	Yearly updates. XLS, PDF, PPT, JPG and CSV format. Indexed
•	FRED.		by global and country. ¹
	https://fred.stlouisfed.org		
24	Middle East Internet users to hit 413 million in 2015.	2015: prediction of	Article published in 2013. JPG and BMP format.
•		Internet users in the Middle East.	and bivit format.
	Arabian Gazette <u>Ayesha</u> <u>Sarfraz.</u>		
	https://arabiangazette.com		
25	Top 10 Internet countries in Africa.	2014: Most connected countries in Africa.	Article published in 2014. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by
	IT Web Africa by Gareth van		users and
	Zyl.		country. ¹
	http://www.itwebafrica.com		
26	Africa's top 20 most connected countries.	2015: Top 20 connected countries in Africa.	Article published in 2015. TXT format. Indexed by users and country. ¹
	IT News Africa.		country.
	http://www.itnewsafrica.com		
27	Africa Internet User Statistics.	2000 & 2015: Internet users in Africa.	Data published in 2016. TXT format. Indexed by country. ¹
	Statistic Brain.		ionnal. muexed by country.
	http://www.statisticbrain.com		

	Data source	Data	Notes
28	Latin American Internet Audience Nears 310 Million.	2013-2018: Internet users in Latin America.	Article published in 2014. GIF and BMP format. Indexed by
	eMarketer.		country.
	https://www.emarketer.com		
29	Internet User in the UK.	2011-2017: Internet users in the UK.	Yearly updates. XLS format.
•	ONS.		Indexed by age, gender, economy and location. ¹
	https://www.ons.gov.uk		
30	Internet Users in Georgia. IDFI. <u>https://idfi.ge</u>	2012: Internet users in Georgia.	Data published in 2013. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by regions, cities, operators and
			activities. ¹
31	India to have the second- largest internet user base in the world.	2015: Internet users in India.	Article published in 2015. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by rural and urban area.
	Your Story by <u>Radhika P Nair</u> .		
	https://yourstory.com		
32	Internet Users in the USA.	2013: Internet users in the USA.	Yearly updates. XLS format.
•	NCES. U.S. Dept. of Education.		Indexed by gender, race, age, education and income. ¹
	https://nces.ed.gov		
33	First Look: Internet Use in 2015.	2013-2015: Internet users in the USA.	Report published in 2016. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by age and education level. ¹
	NTIA.		by age and education level.
	John B. Morris.		
	https://www.ntia.doc.gov		
34	United Kingdom fact file.	2011-2016: Internet users.	Yearly updates. TXT format. Indexed by country. ¹ Some
•	Euro Monitor.		data not free.
	http://www.euromonitor.com		
35	Share of the Internet users.	2000-2015: Internet users.	Yearly updates. XLS, PPT, PDF, SVG, PNG and BMP format.
•	Knoema.		Indexed by country. In 10
	https://knoema.com		langs. ^{1,2}

	Data source	Data	Notes
36	Internet use in the Middle East and North Africa.	2012: Internet use in Middle East and North Africa.	Article published in 2013. JIF and BMP format. Indexed by region.
	eMarketer.		C C
	https://www.emarketer.com		
37	A snapshot of Internet use in Africa.	2012: Internet use in Africa.	Article published in 2013. JIF and BMP format. Indexed by region. ¹
	PC Mag. by Stephanie Mlot.		region.
	http://uk.pcmag.com		
38	Internet users.	2017: Internet users.	Yearly updates. TXT, PNG and
•	Internet World Stats.		BMP format. Indexed by region. ¹
	http://www.internetworldstat		
	<u>s.com</u>		
39	Internet topology data.	2017: Macroscopic Internet topology	Router level topology data or the Internet nodes and links.
•	CAIDA.	data kit.	the internet hodes and links.
	http://www.caida.org/data/		
40	Internet topology data.	2017: University of Adelaide project	250 datasets on various
•	Topology Zoo projet.	of Internet topologies.	Internet networks at differen scales.
	http://topology-zoo.org		

²Various visualization options available.

Table 2: Internet applications

	Data source	Data	Notes
1.	World internet and digital future. Digital Centre Organization	2009-2015 & 2000-2016: Internet usage in social, political, media, entertainment, security and economy for selected countries.	Project reports. PDF format. Indexed by age, gender, income, location and education.
	http://www.digitalcenter.org	ior selected countries.	

	Data source	Data	Notes
2.	Global internet usage.	2013: Global internet usage.	A PDF report. Indexed by
	Build Export.		region, language, browsers, search engine, social media
	https://build.export.gov		and mobile vs. desktop.
3.	Daily time spent on social networks rises to over 2 hrs.	2012-2016: Time spent on social networks.	Article published in 2017. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by
	Global Web Index <u>Jason</u> <u>Mander.</u>		avg. daily time. ¹
	<u>http://blog.globalwebindex.ne</u> <u>t</u>		
4.	How people spent time on the Internet.	2012: How users spent time on the Internet.	Infographics published in 2012. GIF and BMP format.
	Go-Gulf.		Indexed by global, activity, website and apps. ¹
	https://www.go-gulf.com		
5.	Internet access and use in Europe.	Europe.	Data published in 2008. PDF and DOC format. Indexed by
	European Commission.		country. ¹
	https://ec.europa.eu		
6.	Internet usage in Asia-Pacific.	2000-2010: Internet usage in Asia-	Infographic. JPG and BMP format. Indexed by selected countries.
	Visually.	Pacific.	
	https://visual.ly		
7.	Internet usage in Asia-Pacific.	2007: Internet usage in Asia-Pacific.	Data published in 2007. TXT
	comScore Inc.		format. Indexed by global, countries, region and avg. time
	http://www.comscore.com		spent on website. ¹
8.	Asia Internet Usage.	2000 & 2010: Asia Internet Usage.	Data published in 2010. PNG
	SCRIBD.		and BMP format. Indexed by selected countries.
	https://www.scribd.com		

	Data source	Data	Notes
9.	Mobile Internet Usage	2016: Mobile Internet usage	Report published in 2016. PDF format. Indexed by activity,
	in Asia-Pacific.	in Asia-Pacific.	operator, device, age and app.
	Internet Society Organization.		
	https://www.internetsociety. org		
10.	The Arab World Online 2014.	2014: Arab world online.	Report. PDF format. Indexed
	Mohammed Bin Rashid School of Government.		by device, location, spending time, social media, age, income, and app. ¹
	http://www.mbrsg.ae		
11.	Internet usage in the Middle East.	2001, 2012 & 2015: Internet usage in the Middle East.	Infographics published in 2013. Indexed by country and
	Go-Gulf.		app. ¹
	https://www.go-gulf.ae		
12.	Internet usage in the Middle East.	Internet Usage in the Middle East.	Infographics. JPG and BMP format. Indexed by access and
	Info Graphicspedia <u>http://www.infographicspedia</u> .com/author/admin/		app.
	http://www.infographicspedia .com		
13.	Mobile internet usage in the Middle East.	2014- 2017: Mobile internet usage in the Middle East.	Infographics. PNG format. Indexed by age, device, users,
	<u>https://www.middleeast-</u> infographics.com		employment, education, gender and app.
14.	Out-of-home use of the Internet.	2014: Internet use in the UK	Report published in 2014. PDF format. Indexed by activity,
	BSG.		downloading speed, device, age and app.
	http://www.broadbanduk.org		
		2011-2017: Internet use in the UK.	Reports. PDF format. Indexed
	Ofcom.	Adults media use and attitudes.	by location, device, activities, game, browsing, access, age
	https://www.ofcom.org.uk		and app. ¹

	Data source	Data	Notes
		2013: Internet use in the UK.	Reports. PDF format. Indexed
		Internet citizens.	by gender, age, activities and use of websites. ¹
		2016: Internet use in the UK.	Reports. PDF format. Indexed
		Smartphone cities.	by speed and operator. ¹
		2014 & 2015: Mobile broadband performance in the UK.	Reports. PDF format. Indexed by operator, speed, latency, cities, device, activity, speed, and operator. ¹
		2011-2016: Internet use and attitudes in the UK bulletin.	Reports. PDF format. Indexed by age, gender, income, unemployed, rural / urban area, ethnicity and disability. ¹
15.	Internet and computer use in London.	2013: Internet and computer use in London area.	Data published in 2013. XLS format. Indexed by access. ¹
	Datahub.		
	https://datahub.io		
16.	Mobile connectivity research study.	2016: Internet use in the UK trains.	Report published in 2016. PDF format. Indexed by device,
	<u>UK Government.</u>		spend time, connectivity and activity.
	https://www.gov.uk		
17.	How internet use has ballooned in the last decade.	2012-2014: Internet use among teenagers in the UK.	Article published in 2015. SVG, PNG, BMP, JPG and PDF
	The Telegraph.		format. Indexed by device and social website.
	http://www.telegraph.co.uk		
18.	India Internet Usage.	2015: Internet usage in India.	Infographic. PDF format.
	Google.		Indexed by speed, time spend, gender, area and speed. ¹
	<u>https://storage.googleapis.co</u> <u>m</u>		
19.	Internet Usage in China.	2012: Internet usage in China.	Infographic published in 2013.
	Go-Globe.		Indexed by device, gender, area, access and activity. ¹
	https://www.go-globe.com		

	Data source	Data	Notes
20.	Internet Usage in China. Simply Mandarin. <u>http://simplymandarin.com</u>	2013: Internet Usage in China.	Infographics. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by gender, age, education, occupation, device and activity. ¹
21.	Internet usage in Hong Kong. Go-Globe. <u>https://www.go-globe.hk</u>	2013 & 2014: Internet usage in Hong Kong.	Infographics published in 2014. Indexed by device, access, activity, age, gender, spent time and area. ¹
22.	Internet use in Canada. Statistics Canada.	2005, 2007 & 2009: Internet use in Canada.	Last update 2010. XLS, CSV and HTML format. Indexed by individuals, location of access
	http://www.statcan.gc.ca		and province. ¹
23.	Internet usage in Brazil. Tech in Brazil.	2014: Internet usage in Brazil.	Last update 2014. TXT format. Indexed by activity, access, spend time and app.
24.	https://techinbrazil.com Internet usage in Brazil. Business of apps.	2015: Internet usage in Brazil.	Published in 2016. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by device, activity and app.
25.	http://www.businessofapps.c om Global internet industry research. Avazu.	Different years.	Report. PDF format. Indexed by operator, device, age, activity, social media and app.
26.	http://avazuinc.com The 100 websites that rule the internet in the USA. Visual Capitalist.	2017: Top 100 websites in the USA.	Infographic published in 2017. JPG format.
27.	http://www.visualcapitalist.co m The state of the Internet.	State of the Internet connectivity,	Quarterly updates. Data form
	Akamai https://www.akamai.com/us/ en/about/our-thinking/state- of-the-internet- report/https://www.akamai.c om	security and speeds.	2008. Indexed by region and country. In 8 langs.

	Data source	Data	Notes
28.	The Internet usage. Alexa	The top 500 sites on the web.	Daily updates. Indexed by global, country, category, spent time, traffic, website and apps. Free and non-free data.
	https://www.alexa.com		
29.	Measuring broadband America.	Lots of data and reports on telecommunications and the Internet	Reports from as early as 1985 in PDF or TXT formats. Index
	FCC	in the US and international. Mobile and fixed broadband, QoS, Internet	by performance, coverage, subscriptions, pricing,
	https://www.fcc.gov	access, high-speed access.	
30.	Social apps usage.	User data for YouTube, Twitch,	Rich indexing and filtering.
	Social Blade	Instagram and Twitter.	
	https://socialblade.com		
31.	Personal data on Google.	Access to one's own personal data on Google.	Export, share and manage personal data on Google.
	Google account.		
	<u>https://myaccount.google.co</u> <u>m</u>		
32.	Social apps usage.	Usage data for selected social applications including Youtube, Facebook and Twitter.	Indexed by country, global, industry, most active profiles daily and monthly uses.
	Social Bakers		
	https://www.socialbakers.co m		
33.	Wiki groups statistics.	Statistics about wiki groups.	Monthly update. Various formats.
	Wikimedia		
	https://stats.wikimedia.org/		
34.	Media use in the Middle East.	2016: Data about the Internet and	Report. PDF format. Indexed
	North Western University in Qater.	social networks in the Middle East.	by country, penetration, device, usage, age and app.
	http://qatar.northwestern.ed <u>u</u>		
35.	http://www.socialblade.com	Usage statistics on Youtube, Twitch, Instagram, Twitter and Dailymotion.	HTTP tables with sorting. Also in real time.

Table 3: Various Internet statistics

	Data source	Data	Notes
1.	The Internet statistics and resources.	2001-2016: a lot of various Internet statistics in the USA and worldwide.	Last updated in 2016. TXT format. Indexed by gender, age, race, income, education,
	Info Please.		employment, region and country. ¹
	http://www.infoplease.com		country.
2.	Smartphone Ownership and Internet Usage Continues to Climb in Emerging Economies.	2000-2017: Internet statistics.	Data published in 2017. BNG and BMP format. Indexed by country, age, education, income, access and devices. ¹
	Pew Research Center.		income, access and devices.
	http://www.pewglobal.org		
3.	The Internet.	Internet statistics, various years.	BNG and BMP format. Indexed
	Our World in Data.		by country, access, economy and app. ^{1,2}
	https://ourworldindata.org		
4.	Social Media Facts and Statistics.	2013 & 2015: Social media statistics.	Articles. TXT format. Indexed by age, gender, region, device
	Jeff Bullas.		and app. ¹
	http://www.jeffbullas.com		
5.	Internet Stats & Facts for 2016.	2016: Internet statistics.	Article published in 2016. TXT BNG and BMP format. ¹
	Hosting Facts.		
	https://hostingfacts.com		
5.	96 Amazing Social Media Statistics and Facts.	2016: Social media statistics.	Article published in 2016. TXT format. Indexed by app. In 5
	Brand Watch.		langs. ¹
	https://www.brandwatch.com		
7.	Internet Trends 2017.	2017: Stats & Facts in the USA and	Article. JPG and BMP format. Indexed by region, users, age, device, speed, activity and
	VPN Mentor <u>Guy Fawkes</u> .	Worldwide.	
	https://www.vpnmentor.com		browser. In 25 langs. ¹

	Data source	Data	Notes
8.	There are now 3 billion Internet users worldwide in 2015.	2015: Internet statistics in the UK.	Article published in 2015. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by use mobile web, mobile
	Mobile Industry Review <u>.</u>		broadband, mobile data growth, spend time, speed,
	http://www.mobileindustryre view.com		region, device, social media and app. ¹
9.	Mobile usage statistics.	Live mobile usage statistics.	Live updates. Indexed by
	Internet Stats Today.		activity, device and app.
	http://internetstatstoday.com		
10.	How the world uses the internet.		Infographics. PDF format. Indexed by region, country, activity. In 11 langs. ¹
	IDC.		מכנושונץ. ווו דד ומווצג.
	http://www.idc.com		
11.	Internet trends.	2017: Global internet trends, advertisement, game, media, China & India internet and healthcare.	Report and presentation. JPG and BMP format.
	Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers.		
	http://www.kpcb.com		
12.	Internet use and statistics.	2013 statistics in Europe.	Article. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by users, age, activity,
	Eurostat.		websites and shopping. In 22
	http://ec.europa.eu		langs. ¹
13.	Digital economy and society statistics - households and individuals.	2016 statistics in Europe.	Articles. PNG, BMP and XLS format. Indexed by access, usage and device. In 22 langs. ¹
	Eurostat.		
	http://ec.europa.eu		
14.	Social Media Report.	2015 & 2017: Social media statistics in	Reports. PDF format. Indexed
	Sensis.	Australia.	by device, age, gender, access and social media. ¹
	https://www.sensis.com.au		

	Data source	Data	Notes
15.	Digital landscape of Southeast Asia.	2015: Internet statistics in Southeast Asia.	Presentation. JPG and BMP format. Indexed by Facebook usage, gender, age and
	Tech in Asia <u>.</u>		country. ¹
	https://www.techinasia.com		
16.	Digital landscape in Asia.	2015: Internet statistics in Asia.	Infographics published in 2015. Indexed by country,
	Go-Globe.		users, device, spend time and
	https://www.go-globe.com		speed. ¹
17.	Internet usage in Hong Kong.	2013 & 2014: Internet statistics in	Infographics published in
	Go-Globe.	Hong Kong.	2014. Indexed by device, access, activity, age, gender,
	https://www.go-globe.hk		spend time and area. ¹
18.	Internet user statistics in Asia.	2000 & 2016: Internet user statistics	Data published in 2016. TXT
	Statistic Brain.	in Asia.	format. Indexed by internet users, Facebook users and country. ¹
	http://www.statisticbrain.com		
19.	Social media statistics in the Middle East.	2015: Social media statistics in the Middle East.	Annual survey. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by activity and
	Middle East media organization.		app.
	http://www.mideastmedia.or g		
20.	Social media statistics in the Middle East.	2013: Social media statistics in the Middle East.	Infographics published in 2013. Indexed by language,
	Go -Gulf.		age, gender, access and country. ¹
	https://www.go-gulf.ae		
21.	Internet statistics in selected	2015: Internet statistics in India.	Presentations. PDF and PPT
	countries.	2015: China mobile Internet statistics.	format. Indexed by many different attributes. ¹
	Slideshare users.	2014: Internet statistics in Russia.	
	https://www.slideshare.net		- -
22.	Global internet report in Latin America and North America.	2015: Internet statistics in America.	Report. PDF format. Indexed by access and activity. ¹
	Sandvine.		
	https://www.sandvine.com		

	Data source	Data	Notes
23.	Irish communications market. Commission for Communications Regulation	2015: Internet statistics in Ireland.	Report. PDF format. Indexed by access, usage, penetration, pricing, users, operators, speed and traffic.
	https://www.comreg.ie		
24.	Analysis of broadband performance in Ireland.	2014: Broadband quality in Ireland.	Study. PDF format. Indexed by download, upload, latency and
	Sam Knows.		packet loss.
	https://www.samknows.com		
25.	Statistics of Internet Users in Georgia.	2012: Internet statistics in Georgia.	Data published in 2013. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by activity, region, operators and
	IDFI.		access.
	https://idfi.ge		
26.	Social Media Users in Argentina.	2015: Social media statistics in Argentina.	Article published in 2015. PNG format. Indexed by spend time and users.
	Innovatemedtec.		and users.
	https://innovatemedtec.com		
27.	Internet statistics in India.	2015: Internet statistics in India.	Infographics. Indexed by
	Social Prachar.		gender, activity and area.
	https://socialprachar.com		
28.	Statistical report on the Internet development in China.	1997–2016: Internet statistics in China.	37 reports published annually. PDF format. Indexed by user provinces, gender, age,
	By China Network Information Centre CNNIC.		education, occupation, income, access, usage and app. ¹
	http://www.apira.org		
29.	Chinese social media statistics.	2015: Chinese social media statistics.	Infographics. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by users,
	Make a website hub.		usage, access, device, gender, age and app.
	<u>https://makeawebsitehub.co</u> <u>m</u>		

	Data source	Data	Notes
30.	China internet statistics. China Internet Watch. https://www.chinainternetwa tch.com	2009-2017: Chinese social media statistics.	Whitepapers, presentations, articles, posts. PPT, PNG, BMP and TXT format. Indexed by users, area, age, gender, education, occupation, income, access, device, activity and app. ¹
31.	Internet statistics in Vietnam. Chabrol. <u>http://chabrol.net</u>	2015- 2016: Internet statistics in Vietnam.	Post published in 2016. TXT format. Indexed by users, activity, spend time, device and app. ¹
32.	Internet statistics in Russia. East-West digital news. <u>http://www.ewdn.com</u>	2015: Internet statistics in Russia.	Article published in 2016. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by penetration, device, age and city size. ¹
33.	Russian internet growth and development. Russian Search Marketing. <u>http://russiansearchmarketing</u> . .com	2014: Internet statistics in Russia.	Article published in 2015. JPG and BMP format. Indexed by penetration and area. ¹
34.	Internet statistics in <u>Malaysia</u> . Department of Statistics Malaysia. <u>https://www.dosm.gov.my</u>	2013 & 2015: Internet statistics in <u>Malaysia.</u>	Infographics published in 2016. PDF format. Indexed by usage, access, activity and device.
35.	The Canadian internet. CIRA. <u>https://cira.ca</u>	2011-2012: Internet statistics in Canada.	Post published in 2014. PNG and BMP format. Indexed by access, area, activity, device and app. ¹
36.	Internet statistics in the USA. NTIA. <u>https://www.ntia.doc.gov</u>	1998-2015: Internet statistics in the USA.	Yearly updates. XLS format. Indexed by device, access, activity, age, income, employment, education, gender and race. ^{1,2}
37.	Global broadband penetration. Global Finance Magazine. <u>https://www.gfmag.com</u>	2011: Global broadband penetration.	Online article. Indexed by access, penetration and country. ¹

	Data source	Data	Notes
38.	Internet statistics in the Arab countries.	2013: Internet statistics in the Arab countries.	Study published in 2013. PDF format. Indexed by penetration, access, device,
	IPSOS. https://www.ipsos.com		browsers, country, gender, age and activity. ¹
39.	Internet statistics.	Various Internet statistics.	Indexed by country, access, cost and speed. ¹
	Internet Monitor.		cost and speed.
	https://thenetmonitor.org		
40.	Global Internet Maps.	2013: Internet statistics. Internet Measurement Project.	Reports, surveys, external references to free and non-
	Internet Society.		free documents.
	http://www.internetsociety.or g		
41.	Avazu.	Internet and online games statistics in Russia and Brazil.	White papers. PDF format.
	http://avazuinc.com		
42.	Social media statistics.	2016: Social media statistics.	Article published in 2016. PNG
	UK Business Insider.		and BMP format. Indexing by app.
	http://uk.businessinsider.com		
43.	Web Traffic Analytics.	2002-present: Web traffic data analytics, traffic, ranking and other	Data on 30 million websites. Partly free. HTML format.
	Alexa Internet.	information.	Complete web access statistics
	https://www.alexa.com/		with paid account.

²Various visualization options available.

Table 4: Internet availability

	Data source	Data	Notes
1.	Internet access. OECD. https://data.oecd.org	2005-2015: Internet access.	Yearly updates. XLS format. Indexed by country. ^{1,2}
2.	Internet access and use in the EU27. European Commission. https://ec.europa.eu	2006-2008: Internet access in Europe.	Data published in 2008. PDF and DOC format. Indexed by access, activity and country.

	Data source	Data	Notes
3.	Digital economy and society	2016: Internet access for households	Data published in 2017. XLS,
	statistics.	and individuals in Europe.	PNG and BMP format. Indexed
	Eurostat.		by usage, household, area,
	<u>http://ec.europa.eu</u>		device and shopping.
ŀ.	The net-children go mobile	2013: Internet access among	Initial findings published in
	project.	European children.	2013. PDF format. Indexed by
	LSE Research Online.		usage, age, device, activity,
	http://eprints.lse.ac.uk		social media and gender. ¹
5.	Internet access statistical	2012-2016: Internet access of	Yearly updates. PDF, JPG and
	bulletins.	households and individuals in the UK.	XLS format. Indexed by device
	ONS.		activity, age and city. ¹
	https://www.ons.gov.uk		
j.	Internet access quarterly	2011-2014: Internet access in the UK.	Quarterly updates; last in
	update.		2014. PDF format. Indexed by
	Government UK.		age, gender and region. ¹
	https://data.gov.uk		
	Internet access and use.	2013: Internet access in the UK.	Report published in 2014. PDF
	Tower Hamlets Council.		format. Indexed by
	<u>http://www.towerhamlets.go</u>		households, usage, activity,
	<u>v.uk</u>		age, city, race and gender.
•	Internet access datasets.	2017: 19 datasets on Internet access	Yearly updates. XLS format. ¹
	Singapore Gov.	in Singapore.	
	https://data.gov.sg		
	Internet access among	1994-2013: Internet access among	A report. PDF format. Index by
	children in the USA.	children in the USA.	age, gender, race, income and
	Child Trends Org.		region.
	https://www.childtrends.org		
0.	Americans internet access.	2000-2014: Internet access in the	Report published in 2015. PDF
	Pew Research Center.	USA.	SVG, PNG and BMP format.
	http://www.pewinternet.org		Indexed by use, age,
			education, income, race, area
			and gender. ^{1,2}
1.	Computer and Internet Access	1984-2012: Internet access in the	Reports. XLS format. Indexed
	in the USA.	USA.	by age, gender, ethnicity and
	The U.S. Census Bureau.		income.
	https://www.census.gov		
Oth	ner data available.		

²Various visualization options available.

Table 5: More comprehensive datasets related to the Internet

	Data source	Data	Notes
1.	Data hub.	Total 11,238 datasets with 312 about	Different formats. In 47 langs.
		the Internet.	
	https://datahub.io		

	Data source	Data	Notes
	European data portal.	Total 764,778 datasets with 60,239 about the Internet.	Different formats. In 24 langs. European countries only.
	<u>https://www.europeandatapo</u> <u>rtal.eu</u>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	European Union Open Data Portal.	Total 10,850 datasets with 293 about the Internet.	Different formats. In 24 langs. EU countries.
	https://data.europa.eu		
	Internet live stats.	Live data about internet users, number of websites and apps.	Real-time data.
	http://www.internetlivestats. com	number of websites and apps.	
	ITU.	Datasets about broadband, Internet	Yearly updated data. Different
	http://www.itu.int	use, mobile-cellular and mobile- broadband networks in the world.	formats. In 5 langs.
	World Bank Group.	Total 774 million. Datasets about the Internet and other fields.	Yearly updates. Different formats. In 20 langs. Good for
	http://www.worldbank.org	Internet and other fields.	data on developing countries.
	Statista. <u>https://www.statista.com</u>	Thousands of datasets about the Internet and other fields.	Yearly updates. Different formats. In 4 langs. Free and non-free access.
	Info Please. https://www.infoplease.com	Lots of data about the Internet and other fields in the USA and in the world.	Yearly updates. Different formats.
	Ofcom.	Lots of data about the Internet in the UK.	Yearly updates. Different formats.
	https://www.ofcom.org.uk	U.	
0.	FCC	Lots of data about the Internet in the US.	Yearly updates. PDF format.
	https://www.fcc.gov		
1.	Pew Research Center. <u>http://www.pewglobal.org</u>	Lots of data about the Internet and other fields in the USA and in the world.	Data polling, research and analysis. Yearly updates.
2.	Internet Society. <u>https://www.internetsociety.</u> org	Data about the Internet.	Different formats and visualizations. In 8 langs.
3.	ONS.	Lots of data about the Internet and	Collect, analyse and publish
	https://www.ons.gov.uk	other fields in the UK.	data about the UK. Yearly updates. Different formats.

	Data source	Data	Notes
14.	Stat. Counter. http://gs.statcounter.com	Data about the Internet.	Daily updates. Different formats and visualizations. Data from 2.5 million websites. Indexed by browser, device, country, region and app.
15.	Our World in Data. <u>https://ourworldindata.org</u>	Lots of data about the Internet and many other fields.	Free data research and analysis. PNG and BMP format.
16.	UN data. <u>http://data.un.org</u>	Lots of data about the Internet and other fields also listing the UN organizations with the last and next update datasets.	Monthly updates. Different formats. Indexed by topic, country and time period.
17.	OECD. http://www.oecd.org	Lots of data about the Internet and other fields.	Yearly updates. XLS format. Indexed by penetration, usage, price, service, speed and coverage. In 2 langs.
18.	The Global Economy. http://www.theglobaleconom y.com	Lots of data about the Internet and other fields.	Free and non-free data. JPG format. Other formats with free registration. Different visualizations. In 6 langs.
19.	Slideshare. <u>https://www.slideshare.net</u>	Total 18 million presentations in 40 categories, many containing data about the Internet and other fields.	Different formats. In 5 langs.
20.	Knoema. <u>https://knoema.com</u>	Search engine for data.	Different formats. In 10 langs.
21.	Australian Bureau of Statistics. http://search.abs.gov.au	Official data Australia including the Internet.	Yearly updates. XLS format.
22.	Internet Stats Today. http://internetstatstoday.com L	Live mobile usage statistics.	Live updates. Indexed by activity, device and app.
23.	Apira. <u>http://www.apira.org</u>	The Internet developments in countries in the Asia-Pacific region.	Survey reports and Internet data in different countries.
24.	ABI research https://www.abiresearch.com /	Research on technology markets.	Quarterly updates. Data and reports on the Internet, markets and technology. Registration required. Data access not free. ¹

	Data source	Data	Notes
25.	Eurostat	Lots of data about the Internet and other things in Europe.	Data about the Internet in Europe. Indexed by user,
	http://ec.europa.eu		access, activity and security. Many formats.
26.	Pingdom	Data and analysis on the Internet.	Lots of data about the Internet and other fields.
	http://royal.pingdom.com		
27.	Strategy Analytics	Data on the Internet and other fields.	Lots of data and reports, but registration required.
	https://www.strategyanalytics .com		
28.	PWC	Investment data in the USA including the Internet.	Quarterly update. SVG, PNG and BMP format. Indexed by
	https://www.pwc.com	the internet.	sector, region, state.
29.	UNCTAD statistics	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. Data on ICT and	Yearly update. IVT, XLS and CSV format. In 2 langs.
	http://unctadstat.unctad.org	Internet usage and economics.	
30.	Statistics Canada	Data on the Internet and other things	Data about the Internet and
	http://www.statcan.gc.ca	in Canada.	other statistics.
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