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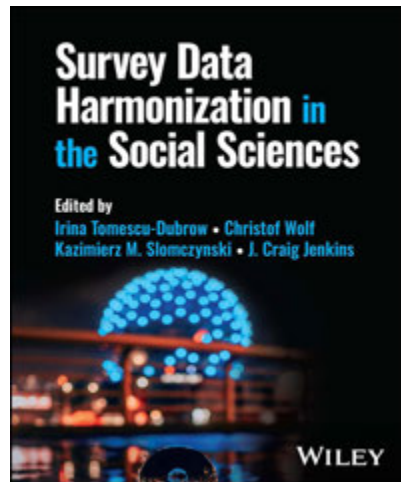
Survey Data Harmonization in the Social Sciences

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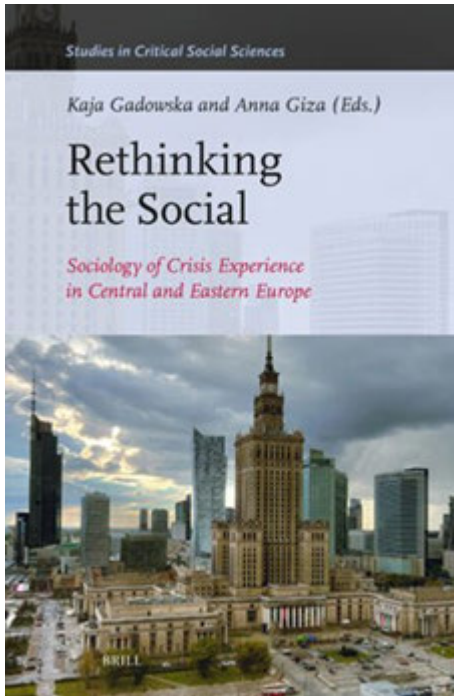


In *Survey Data Harmonization in the Social Sciences*, a team of distinguished social science researchers delivers a comprehensive collection of ex-ante and ex-post harmonization methodologies in the context of specific longitudinal and cross-national survey projects. The book examines how ex-ante and ex-post harmonization work individually and in relation to one another, offering practical guidance on harmonization decisions in the preparation of new data infrastructure for comparative research. Contributions from experts in sociology, political science, demography, economics, health, and medicine are included, all of which give voice to discipline-specific and interdisciplinary views on methodological challenges inherent in harmonization. The authors offer perspectives from Europe and the United States, as well as Africa, the latter of which provides insights rarely featured in survey research methodology handbooks.

Readers will also find:

- A thorough introduction to approaches and concepts for survey data harmonization, as well as the effects of data harmonization on the overall survey research process
- Comprehensive explorations of ex-ante harmonization of survey instruments and non-survey data
- Practical discussions of ex-post harmonization of national social surveys, census and time use data, including explorations of survey data recycling
- A detailed overview of statistical issues linked to the use of harmonized survey data

Perfect for upper undergraduate and graduate researchers who specialize in survey methodology, *Survey Data Harmonization in the Social Sciences* will also earn a place in the libraries of survey practitioners who engage in international research.



Rethinking the Social

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The book casts a spotlight on Central and Eastern European societies, making their experiences visible and meaningful within the postcolonial discourse. The modernization theory overlooks important aspects of postsocialist transformation. Consequently, sociological knowledge has drifted apart from the social production of knowledge, and

sociology has become alarmingly irrelevant to the people it studies. Therefore, the book departs from preconceived notions of “normal” and “modern” to foreground the importance of actual social experience. After all, Central and Eastern Europe is a valuable yet underestimated social laboratory. Thus, the contributors experiment with new theoretical and methodological approaches to bridge the gap between social research and real people.

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