Basic Research Methods: An Entry to Social Science Research


Harvard Library Open Metadata. Methods of Social Science Research SYLLABUS - Society for the Metropolitan World History. Basic Research Methods for Social Behavioral Scientists. The Art of Empirical Investigation. Front Cover. This text certainly covers all the basic concepts and processes I would expect to find under the rubric of social science research. It is built on the underlying idea that quantitative research methods used by natural scientists are fluid. Success for basic social researchers is when results are published in a peer-reviewed journal. This lesson defines social science research, explains the methods used and the topics studied.
Basic Statistics for Social Research teaches core general statistical concepts and methods that all social science majors must master to understand (and do) social research. Its use of mathematics and theory are deliberately limited, as the authors focus on the use of concepts and tools of statistics in the analysis of social science data, rather than on the mathematical and computational aspects.

Statistics in the Research Process 9. Basic Elements of Research: Units of Analysis and Variables 14. Chapter 2 Displaying One Distribution 25. Summarizing Variation in One Variable 26. Despite this diversity in methods and topics investigated, most social science research still shares a number of common characteristics. Regardless of field, most research involves an investigator gathering data and performing analyses to determine what the data mean. In addition, most social scientists use a common language when conducting and reporting their research findings. Nonetheless, much research in the social sciences follows a systematic course of action that begins with the statement of a research question and ends with the researcher. Chapter 1: Basic Concepts in Research and Data Analysis 3. drawing conclusions about a null hypothesis. This section describes the research process as a planned sequence that consists of the following six steps