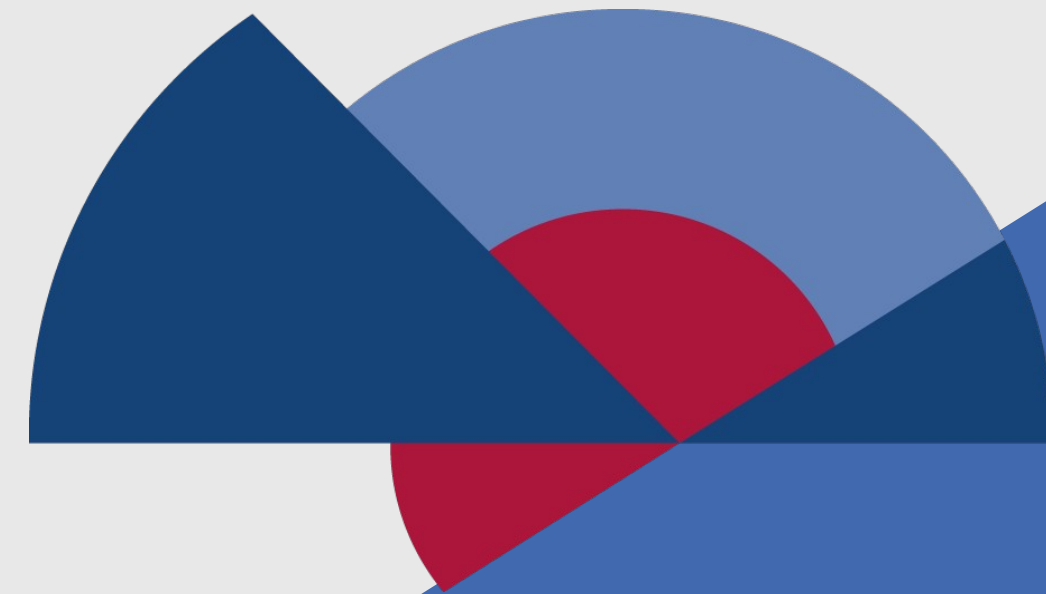


Setting up a statistical register of individuals and dwellings in France

Concertation and ethical issues



01 THE FRENCH CONTEXT

No population register in France, neither shared personal ID for administrative purposes.

The project of shared ID was abandoned in 1974, after a big polemic, some people still remember...

We have to improve our capacity to collect, process and link administrative data for statistical purposes

A statistical register of individuals and dwellings, (Résil), to be deployed in 2025, in order to

- Produce sampling frames more complete
- Produce inputs for census processes
- Facilitate records linkages and quality assessments
- Harmonize tools for exploitation of administrative data

02 ETHICAL AND LEGAL ISSUES, CONCERTATION

STRONG NEED FOR CONCERTATION

- because ethical questions are important and need an external exchange of views
- it helps us to « customize » the project, regarding ethical principles
- and to ensure that users and civil society understand and support the project
 - explain** the finalities of the statistical register
 - be transparent** about the use and the linkage of administrative data for statistical purposes (people are not aware of that)
 - reassure** on the respect of data confidentiality, IT security and barriers/protections against misuses

MEETING ON INDIVIDUAL DATA MATCHING, (JANUARY 2022)

300 participants, beyond statisticians and users

effort of transparency and pedagogy highly appreciated

but a clear need to go further

SETTING UP A CONCERTATION GROUP (MAY-OCTOBER 2022)

Citizen representatives and qualified persons, "beyond our usual circles"

- Human Rights League, think tanks about data protection
- Ethicians, Jurists
- Journalists
- Member of Parliament, trade unions
- Researcher using statistical data, researcher on dataprotection

ON THE CONTEXT « HOW DOES INSEE WORK » : PEOPLE DON'T REALLY KNOW...

- Beyond usual partners, no awareness of our processes, the sources of data, our ways of security...

ON RESIL

- Risk of data leakage
- Risk of misuses (for tracking people or for an administrative use regarding individuals, especially for controls)

ON RECORDS LINKAGES AND PRODUCING NEW DATA (NOT ONLY RESIL)

- Risks regarding excessive intrusion into personal privacy
- Production of granular statistics that would allow the stigmatisation of social groups
- Risk of encouraging an excessive "governance by numbers".

CONFIDENCE IN OUR ABILITY TO MANAGE RESIL WITH FULL RESPECT OF LAW AND GOOD PRACTISES, BUT

- the subject (exhaustive directories and matching)
 - the context (increased vigilance on the use of personal data, expectation of transparency... opinion is quickly "inflammatory" on certain subjects)
 - some possible temptations to misuse
- IMPOSE TO DEFINE A FRAMEWORK**
- set some **operating rules**,
 - set **limits** (especially regarding the use of some datasets – 3 of them received an unfavorable opinion) ,
 - Involve **external institutes** to reinforce the credibility of the guarantees offered : national data authority, National Cybersecurity Agency, CNIS (concertation on official statistics), National Statistical Authority,
 - be **fully transparent** and involve citizens more than usually

03 FOLLOW_UP AND FEEDBACK

NO USE OF SOURCES WITH AN UNFAVOURABLE OPINION OF THE GROUP

DEVELOP AN ACTIVE COMMUNICATION ON RESIL, THE USE OF ADMINISTRATIVE SOURCES AND LINKAGE

BEYOND OPPORTUNITY, STRENGTHEN THE ETHICAL DIMENSION (NECESSITY AND PROPORTIONALITY)

- go beyond the point of view of users : **"we want more and more statistics"**
- challenge our projects, from the point of view of the citizens (principle of proportionality, data protection) **"you work with my personal data"**

CHALLENGING (FOR US AND OUR PARTNERS IN CONCERTATION)

- For us, substantial **effort to find partners**, to explain Resil, and more generally, the way official statistics are produced
- a major effort from the members of the group in order to fully understand this and formalise their points of view
- some unexpected questions and reactions, about what seems obvious to us

BUT VERY USEFUL

- a progress in our capacity of communication about the project, and about our practices in general
- some **concrete recommendations** about the project
- an **explicit and published external point of view** ; a first step for further concertation

RELEVANT
IMPARTIAL
TRANSPARENT
INDÉPENDANT
CONFIDENTIALITY
COLLABORATIVE

With this concertation, we
have practised a great deal
of **transparency**,
in a **collaborative** way,
and communicated (to share
the context, justify and
reassure) about the 4 other
values

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Thanks for your attention

Some questions ?