Data Library

Data Library is WFP's web-based tool allowing users to **store assessment and monitoring survey data and assets and track the progress of their surveys.**

WHY USE DATA LIBRARY?

Have a **single source of truth for surveys** in a secure platform, minimizing the risk of losing access to valuable survey data due to staff turnover or bad practices.

Easily **share data** with colleagues and partners, while maintaining fine-grained control over who has access to what.

Have visibility of what surveys are in progress or complete in WFP.

HOW IT WORKS

1. Join a data container

Get access to your office's Data Container by clicking on the "Request Access" button the first time you access. If you are the first Data Library user in your CO, you should request access to your Data Library RB Focal Point, whose details you can find under "**join a container**".

2. Add and categorize the status of your surveys

Staff can now add the status of the surveys they are planning, carrying out, or have completed which can then be visualized thanks to a tracking matrix. With the new visualizations, you can not only monitor the status of surveys that are still in progress, but also see when they were initiated and what type of surveys they are.
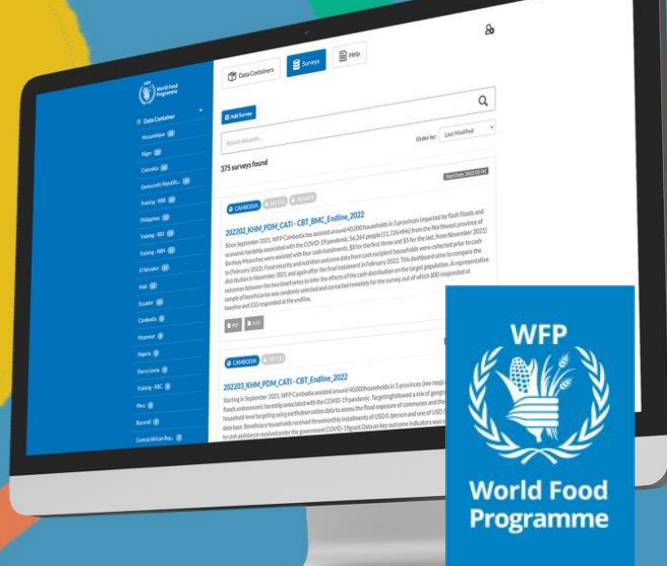
3. Add resources

Upload raw and processed data, questionnaires, program syntax and other assets such as reports and technical notes. By uploading all the resources into Data Library, you will have a permanent, well-structured and secure storage location for your surveys. You will also be able to maintain control over who has access to the various files and containers, making it easy to share data with colleagues and partners as needed.

For detailed guidance on how to package and upload your datasets, consult **RAM's Guidelines on Using Data Library for Household Survey Data.**

4. Browse and download data

You can now browse and download all the resources to which you have access! Remember that, if you do not have it, you can request access by clicking on the "request access" button.

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RAM IM ECOSYSTEM

Data Library is part of the RAM Information Management Ecosystem, or **IM Ecosystem**, which allows for interoperability and standardization of systems from data collection to visualization.

The RAM IM Ecosystem is designed to be automated, flexible, scalable, and sustainable. Each of its tools facilitates one key step of the IM process: **Survey Designer** for planning questionnaires, **Data Library** for data storage and survey visibility, **GitHub** for code sharing and collaboration, Data Bridges for integrated data analysis, **DataViz** for data visualization.

If the RAM IM Ecosystem tool has sparked your interest, click **here** and see how you can stay engaged!

Need help? Have a question? Caught a bug? Contact us at: ram.im.ecosystem@wfp.org