

# Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute(NIDI)/ Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW)



NIDI is a research institute of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) and is affiliated with the University of Groningen. NIDI's mission is to conduct high-quality scientific research on population issues and to disseminate and enhance the use of demographic knowledge to stakeholders in academia, policy, and society at large. We build and maintain a knowledge infrastructure for population issues to address the challenges that demographic developments pose to individuals and society. Population growth and decline, mobility and population distribution, population ageing and population diversity, life course dynamics, intergenerational relations, and health and longevity are but a few of the dimensions of the ever-changing landscape of population issues which make up the population challenge. Demographic research is needed to address this challenge and to study population trends and their impacts on economic development, the environment, social networks, social cohesion, health and care systems, retirement and social security issues, family life and wellbeing.

NIDI's aim is to create and share demographic knowledge and to enhance the use of this knowledge. Knowledge creation demands a creative combination of existing knowledge (theories), new empirical evidence (data) and methods of scientific enquiry. Knowing the facts ("what"), the determinants ("why"), the consequences ("so what") and the underlying mechanisms that link causes and observed trends ("how") is the best approach to take on the population challenge.

The NIDI staff of about 70 people include researchers, postdocs, PhD candidates and visiting research fellows; NIDI also hosts Master trainees and staff seconded by other organizations. NIDI staff cover a wide range of disciplines such as demography, economics, sociology, geography, epidemiology, gerontology, mathematics, statistics, and computer science. The institute offers semi-shared office space, modern IT infrastructure with administrative and technical support staff. NIDI runs brown bag seminars that researchers are both welcome to attend and present at.

The institute is located at the heart of The Hague. Many cultural and social facilities as well as natural sights can be accessed in the vicinity of NIDI. The institute also houses the Generation and Gender Programme (GGP) which longitudinal Generations and Gender Survey (GGS) covers transition to adulthood and is offered as a part of the COORDINATE project.

More information on NIDI can be accessed here: <https://nidi.nl/en/>

# Dataset: Generations and Gender Survey (GGS)



Data from the Generations and Gender Programme (GGP) helps to monitor demographic changes and to provide cross-nationally comparable data on key sociodemographic indicators. The main GGP data product, the Generations and Gender Survey (GGS) collects individual level data on demographic events such as leaving parental home, union formation and dissolution, childbirths and deaths that structure individual life courses and family/ kinship networks. The survey focuses on how they interrelate to each other as well as to migration and employment through transition to adulthood and family life. Moreover, relationships between generations are explored to reveal how lives of multiple family members are interlinked in ageing populations. Another example of the GGS use is the section of the survey instrument dedicated to sexual and reproductive life that is designed to provide information on Sustainable Development Indicators, namely the use of modern contraception and informed decisions regarding sexual and reproductive life. The increase in income inequalities and migration flows have significantly altered the composition and dynamics of population. By providing data on specific subgroups, for example people with a migrant background, single-mothers, and NEET (youth not in education, employment or training), the GGP can help identify the most vulnerable groups, understand their family circumstances and provide evidence to formulate policies to best support them.

The GGS data can be accessed by registered users remotely after filling in the Statement of Affiliation, Confidentiality and Acceptable Usage. The data can be used to produce scientific and policy analyses. With prior arrangement, researchers are able to contribute to data preparation process.

Further information can be found at <https://www.ggp-i.org/data/> and the codebook at <https://ggp.colectica.org/>