

# IZA World of Labor Data Citation Convention

## Introduction

The Institute of Labor Economics (IZA) recognizes the importance of proper citation of data for the following reasons:

- acknowledges the author's sources,
- makes identifying data easier,
- promotes the reproduction of research results,
- allows the impact of data to be tracked.

IZA has devised a data citation convention that takes into account prior work done by respectable institutions. <http://idsc.iza.org/citations>

## Adoption in IZA World of Labor

We propose the following decision sequence for authors who use original data in their IZA World of Labor contribution:

1. If the data provider of the data you use in your article has a citation convention required or suggested, please do follow those.
2. If not, please use the one developed by the [International Data Service Center](#) (IDSC) of IZA.

If a DOI or other persistent identifier is assigned to the data set used please use it in your citation.

### Required elements for: GRAPHICAL ABSTRACT

**Author(s):** This is the creator of the data set (individual, a group of individuals, or an organization). If an institution (or institutions) is/are provided as primary researcher(s) only these will be cited.

**Publication date (year):** The date refers to the year of publication/creation/presentation of the data set.

**Title:** The title and, if applicable further titles of the study.

## EXAMPLES

	<b>Tables</b>
<b>Graphical abstract</b>	Author(s). Title, publication year. Author. Title of Table/data source [if applicable], publication year; Table(s) #.
Examples	Hall, A., A. Siefer, and M. Tiemann. BIBB/BAuA-Employment Survey 2012, 2014. National Center for Education Statistics, 2008; Table 3. Federal Interagency Forum on Aging-Related Statistics. Older Americans 2008: Key Indicators of Well-Being, 2008; Table 35A.
	<b>Figures</b>
<b>Graphical abstract</b>	Author. Figure(s) #/Title of Figure [if applicable], Publication Date.
<i>Example</i>	OECD. Net pension replacement rates, Men, % of pre-retirement earnings (indicator), 2015.

**Additional elements required for: TABLES AND FIGURES in Part II**

Publication agent (if available): The name of the institution/center that published the data set. That is the organization either hosting the data or performing quality assurance.

Global Identifier (if available): An identifier for the data, according to a persistent scheme. That is the (unique) reference to the data: DOI.

Version (if available): Version of the data. This number increases when the data changes (add more data points/re-run a derivation process)

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	<b>Tables</b>
<b>Main text (Part II)</b>	Author. "Title of data source(s) [if applicable]." In: Publisher (eds). <i>Title of Reference Book or Reference Journal</i> . Publisher location: Publisher name, publication date; pp. xxx–xxx, Table(s) #. Global identifier
Example	Fairlie, R., and A. Robb. <i>Race and Entrepreneurial Success: Black-, Asian-, and White-Owned Businesses in the United States</i> . Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 2008; Tables 2.5, 2.6, and 2.7. ISBN 9780262062817
<b>Main text (Part II)</b>	Author. Figure(s) #/ Title of Figure. Publisher, Publication Date. Version [if applicable], Global identifier
Example	OECD. Net pension replacement rates, Men, % of pre-retirement earnings (indicator). OECD, 2015. doi: 10.1787/4b03f028-en

**Summary:**

- When citing use the citation style required by the editor/publisher/IZA.
- If no form is suggested take a standard citation style (Dataverse’s, Datacite) and adapt it to match the style for textual publications.
- Give data set identifiers in the form of a unique identifier (e.g. DOI, URL, ISBN) wherever possible.
- Cite the data sets at the finest-grained level available.
- If a data set exists in several versions, be sure to cite the exact version which was used.

**Support:**

If there are cases not covered by this convention we offer assistance in incorporating them so feel free to contact the IDSC of IZA at: [idsc@iza.org](mailto:idsc@iza.org)

**Data Repository Service**

Furthermore, the International Data Service Center (IDSC) of IZA offers a data repository service for labor economics. It enables the creator of a data set to deposit it with IZA’s data repository, to document it, preserve it as well as to get a DOI to make it citable. See <http://idsc.iza.org/datasets>.