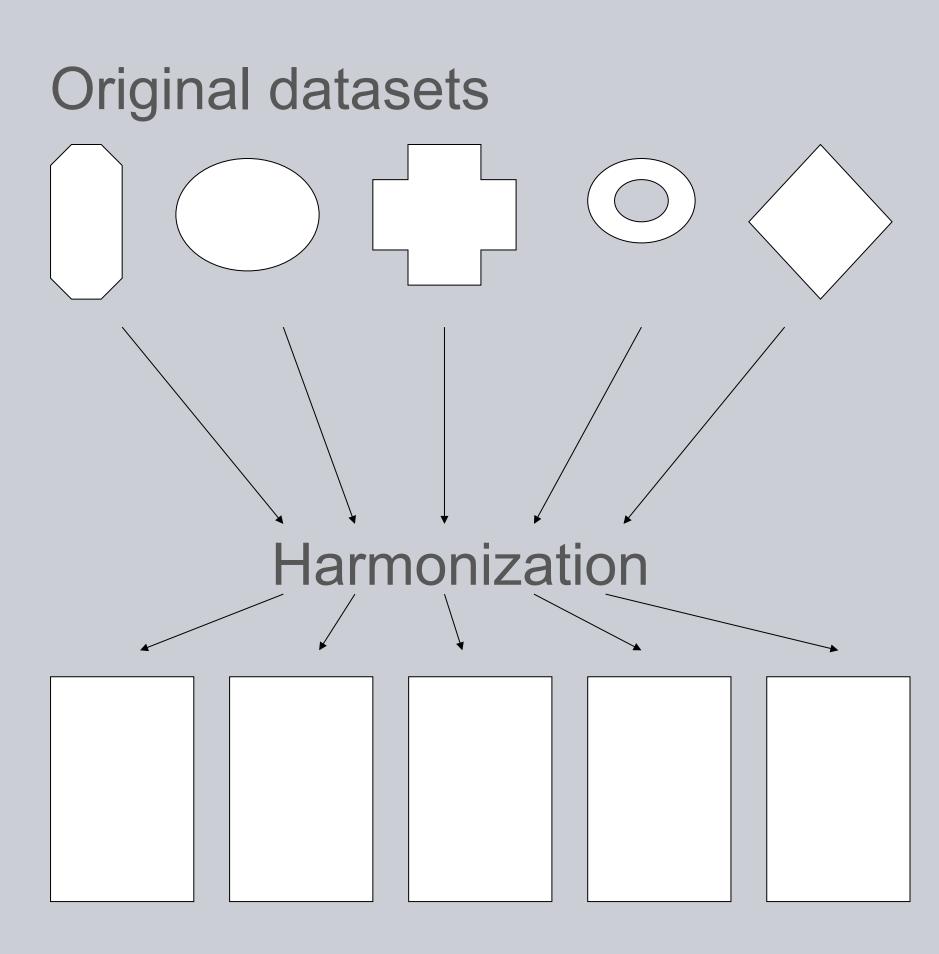


### How it Works

- Step 1. Identify appropriate datasets
- Step 2. Negotiate with each data provider
- Step 3. Harmonize data
- Step 4. Document harmonized data
- Step 5. Make data available to researchers

### The Harmonization Process



Usable data for cross-national research Ready-made indicators just a click away!

# Support and Opportunities

- Workshops
- Online user support
- Visiting scholars
- Interns
- Pre- and postdoctoral researchers

# Scholarly Exchange

LIS is a resource for cross-national research in the social sciences and serves as a venue for international conferences.





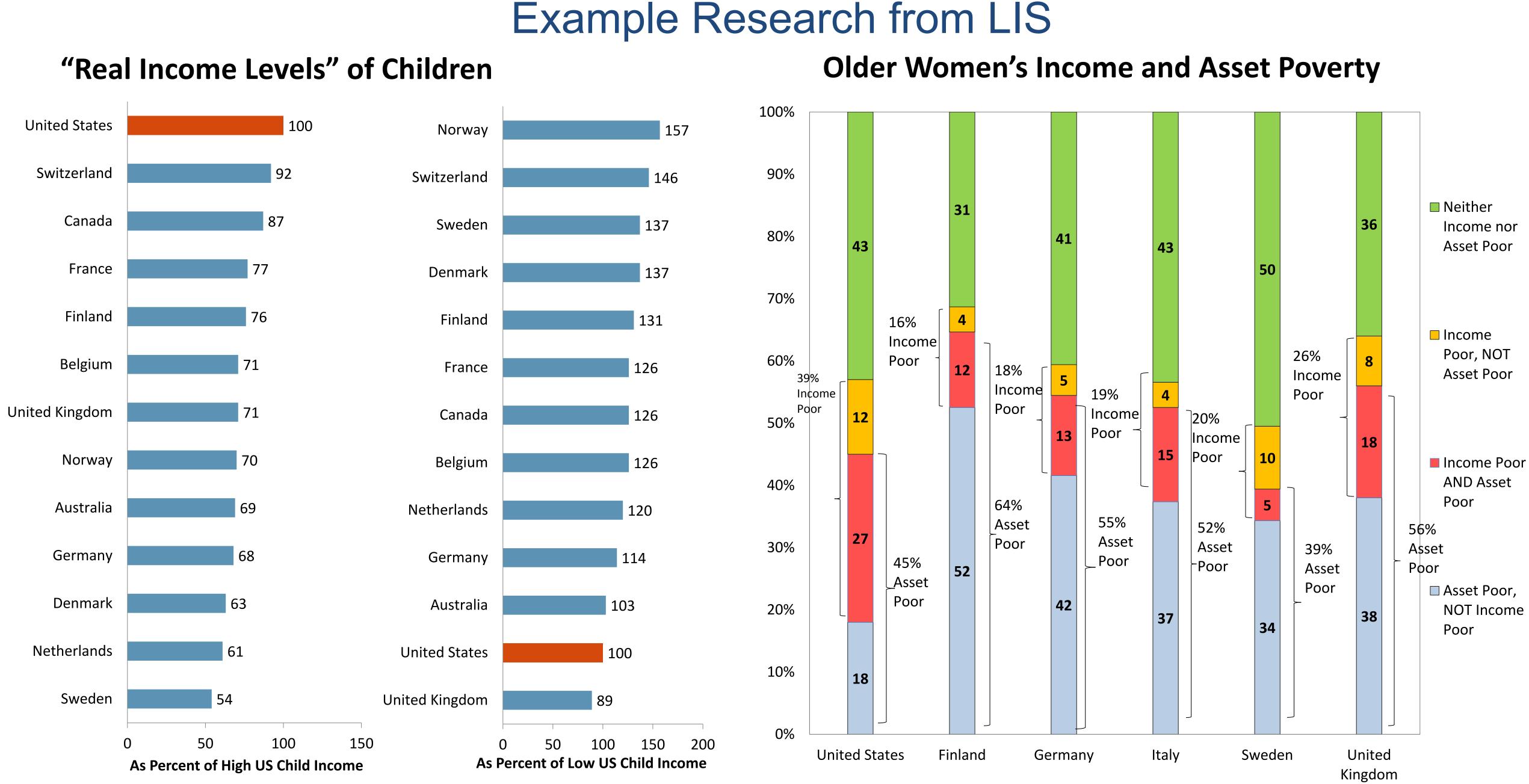
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# What We Do

LIS acquires, harmonizes, and documents microdata, and makes them publicly available in two databases, the Luxembourg Income Study Database (LIS) and the Luxembourg Wealth Study Database (LWS).

# LIS and LWS Databases Include:

45+ middle- and high-income countries 62% of world population 84% of world GDP



Source: Timothy Smeeding and Lee Rainwater. 2002. Comparing Living Standards Across Nations: Real Incomes at the Top, the Bottom and the Middle, LIS Working Paper 266.

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# CROSS-NATIONAL DATA CENTER in Luxembourg

The LIS mission is to enable, facilitate, promote, and conduct cross-national comparative research on socio-economic outcomes and on the institutional factors that shape those outcomes.

# Luxembourg Income Study Database (LIS)

First and largest available database of harmonized income data.

Used to study: poverty; income inequality; labor market outcomes.

# Luxembourg Wealth Study Database (LWS)

First available database of harmonized wealth data.

Used to study: household assets, debt, and expenditures; wealth portfolios.

Source: Gornick, Janet C., et al. 2009. "The Income and Wealth Packages of Older Women in Cross-National Perspective." Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences 64B(3): 402-414.



### LIS' Users and Publications

Since 2007, 844 US-based researchers have registered to use the LIS data, around 30% of all active users.

U.S. researchers come from over 50 institutions, including: **Bureau of Labor Statistics** City University of New York (CUNY) Columbia University International Monetary Fund (IMF) Princeton University University of California, Berkeley Stanford University State University of New York (SUNY) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) World Bank (WB)

Thousands of data users and growing New data users doubled in 2011-2012 Remote execution enables use around the world Free access for students in all countries

Hundreds of publications

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