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Collaboration
Data Work
Research Data Services
Infrastructure
Future?
## Research Data Services Surveys & Scans

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<td>Information Consultation (DMP, metadata, reference, training)</td>
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<td>Data Analysis &amp; Training</td>
<td>Processing &amp; Analysis</td>
<td>Technical Services (RDS systems, preparing de</td>
<td>Auditing &amp; Data Repository (technical support)</td>
<td>2/3+ preserve, organize and manage their own data</td>
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<td>Tools &amp; Infrastructure</td>
<td>Deposit, Repositories, Storage</td>
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Data Service or Data Collaboration?

- **Data Service**
  - emphasizes & privileges central role of certain types of
    - traditional research &
    - researchers in academia

- **Data Collaboration**
  - emphasizes & privileges central role of certain types of
    - traditional research & potentially emergent forms and digital methodologies
    - librarians as researchers in academia
    - OR as data workers contributing something of different buy equal value (curation, digital platform or database creation, etc.)

Other Models of Collaboration

Digital Scholarship or Humanities Centers

Archives & Special Collections

Researcher/Society Databases & Data Collections

Museum Collections

Data Liberation Initiative

Social Science Data Archives
What is Digital Infrastructure? How Does Infrastructure Impact Research?

- Industry/Corporations
- Professional Associations
- Super Computing
- Data/Digital Laborors
- Legal & Policy Frameworks
- Fiber-optic Networks
- Electric Grid
- Regional Consortia
- National Funders
- Data / Knowledge Workers
Political & Economic Context

National Funders

Fall of Berlin Wall

OECD Signators

Neoliberal Governance

Deregulation

International Treaties

Science & Educational Policy

Globalization 2.0

Culture Wars

Reagonomics

Open Access Movement

Transnational ‘Entities’
Futures?

• More People, Professions, Interests
• Context & Scale
• Political and Economic Factors
• Privacy and Data Ethics
• Data as commodity
• Data Work/Digital Labor
• Power Relations in Infrastructure and Data Assemblages
Who defines the problem and decides on the solution? Who is missing from the conversation?
Works cited


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