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EVIDENCE BASE FOR THE POST-2015 DEVELOPMENT AGENDA  
(E/CN.9/2016/3)**

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The following set of references is provided to offer further details about specific sources of information used to inform specific aspects of the report of the Secretary-General on Strengthening the Demographic Evidence Base for the Post-2015 Development Agenda (E/CN.9/2016/3). The various sources of information presented herein are organized in sequential order of thematic appearance in the report and assigned to each section and paragraph therein.

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<http://www.unece.org/stats/publications/Managing.statistical.confidentiality.and.microdata.access.pdf>
- Open Data Handbook: Guides, case studies and resources for government & civil society on the "what, why & how" of open data. <http://opendatahandbook.org/>
- World Bank Open Data Toolkit: <http://www.opengovguide.com/standards-and-guidance/world-bank-open-data-toolkit/>
- IHSN Microdata Cataloging Tool (NADA) for web-based portal for researchers to browse, search, compare, apply for access, and download relevant census or survey information. <http://www.ihsn.org/home/software/nada>
- IHSN inventory of national and international micro-datasets public archives (NADA): 86 repositories by national statistical offices and research organizations in more than 60 countries or areas as of March 2016: <http://adp.ihsn.org/survey-catalogs>
- Open Data for Africa by African Development Bank (AfDB):  
<http://opendataforafrica.org/>
- South African Data Archive: <http://sada.nrf.ac.za/>
- DataFirst: Research Unit and Data Service based at the University of Cape Town, South Africa. <https://www.datafirst.uct.ac.za/>
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