

mod_survey

Mod_survey allows you to reasonably easy write web-based questionnaires using a definition language looking quite a lot like the language you would use to write a normal home page.

It's the most complete and powerful free software for developing questionnaires.

handles all types of questions

dynamic questionnaire routing

dynamic questions

randomization

includes images in the text body

save data to db and/or file and export them to a lot of formats (including SPSS)

The only software needed to fill-in a questionnaire is a web-browser.

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Data Collection using Free Software

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mod_survey
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A CATI survey is composed of many phases: sampling, computer questionnaire building, test surveys, interviewers training, data collection and supervision, data report production.

There are two free software packages you can combine together to have a powerful data collection system: yaacs and mod_survey.

Introduction

To achieve a good-quality of data collection process you have to carefully plan and supervise it. Using software designed for these specific tasks helps you do it without leaving out any important steps and following a standardized method to organize the process.

Yaacs and mod_survey combined together gives you a means to achieve your goals and we're going to present you with this solution.

We would also like you to consider the advantages of free software which we will outline in the following section.

Why Free Software?

Free software gives you four fundamental freedoms:

The freedom to run the program, for any purpose

The freedom to study how the program works, and adapt it to your needs

The freedom to redistribute copies so you can help your neighbor

The freedom to improve the program, and release your improvements to the public, so that the whole community benefits

These freedoms are rights, not obligations! It's also useful to remember that using free software gives you independence from software companies, in fact you can always make changes to it yourself (or by hiring a programmer).

yaacs

yaacs divides the survey process into administration and strictly operative tasks.

Administration tasks have been provided by two separate GUIs (Graphical User Interface) that allows you to manage your sample, project costs and interviewers' performances and costs; manage contacts scheduling, monitor interviewers, quota checking, send fax and email to all your sample.

Administration
Tasks

Yaacs provides a GUI for telephone operators. The interface is user-friendly and task-orientated so you don't need to be a computer expert! It allows users to get the next contact to call, classify the telephone call selecting from a list of pre-defined states, send survey presentation via fax and email, VoIP automatic call (if you have the needed hardware), schedule a call-back, open / fill-in questionnaire forms.

Telephone
Operator
Tasks