

Data Analysis Framework

What resources are required?

Analysis Types

Snapshot

Snapshot analyses measure counts or percentages for a given period, usually the most recently completed year. If any counts or percentages are unexpected, comparison, trend or spatial analyses may be necessary to better understand the reasons for the unexpected results.

Comparison

Comparison analyses review linkages between two or more variables and uncover information about client conditions and data relationships. When unexpected data relationships are discovered, investigation is warranted to better understand linkages and determine whether they indicate the need for client service and advocacy work that simultaneously targets multiple conditions at once.

Trend

Trend analyses scrutinize changes over time in client conditions. Review trends over a five-year period, or longer when possible. Spikes or dips that appear in trends might confirm what an organization expects or raise additional questions worthy of investigation to better understand the unexpected change and determine whether it calls for proactive steps.

Geographic Distribution

Geographic Distribution analyses show how people or problems or anything else of interest is distributed across service areas, which can be divided into smaller areas to reveal spatial patterns. These patterns are opportunities to learn about the spatial dimensions of your organization and your clients.

The screenshot shows the 'Data Analysis Framework' web application. At the top is a navigation bar with links for Home, Data Analysis Framework, FAQ, and Send Feedback, along with a search bar. A sidebar on the left lists navigation options: Data Analysis Framework (selected), Data Analysis Framework: Defined, Data Analysis Framework Tool, Data Resources, Partnerships, Location Quotient, Data Analysis Framework Origins, and Data Analysis Framework Origins. The main content area is titled 'Data Analysis Framework: Defined' and includes a section for 'Data Questions' with a brief introduction and a list of five questions: 'Who is eligible?', 'Who requests assistance?', 'Who do we help?', 'How do we help?', and 'What resources are required?'. Below this is a section for 'Analysis Types' with a 'Snapshot' button and a brief description of snapshot analyses.

A simple-to-use tool that helps legal services organizations use data to identify efficient ways to offer high quality and effective services. The tool includes:

- 5 high level and 118 detailed data questions about eligible people and their legal needs
- Instructions on how to perform various types of analyses
- Simple analyses for those just getting started
- Complex analyses options for data-savvy organizations
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