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### **Access to linked data; the ISQ approach**

In 2007, the Institut de la statistique du Québec collaborated in the EPSEBE (Environnement pour la promotion de la santé et du bien-être) project which is a platform created to facilitate access for researchers to files combining data from different sources. The two-step approach adopted by the Institut to separate the linkage process from the research file creation has since allowed several researchers to have access to linked data. In this presentation, we discuss the different steps leading to probabilistic linkage of survey or administrative data files and the access conditions for researchers.