Micro data Arrangements in the Netherlands

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Introduction

- Demand for policy related information
- Changes from surveys to registers
- Changes in legal basis of SN
- Technical developments



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- Need for flexibility
- Performance indicators
- Agency within SN
- Service orientated
- Increasing the use of data
- Services to government
- Micro data services



Dutch law on Statistics of 2004

- SN as autonomous government agency
- Priority for use of administrative data
- Free access to such data
- Statistical confidentiality as legal obligation
- Data exclusively for statistical purposes
- Micro data access for statistical and scientific research



Authorized researchers

- Institutions mentioned in the law (universities, Planning agencies)
- Institutions admitted by the Central Commissions for Statistics (CCS)
 - legal corporate status
 - no direct administrative authority
 - explicit research aim
 - publish for public use
 - a good reputation



Available data

Basically all data of SN, but...

- no direct identifiers
 - RIN, BE-ID
- only adequately documented data
 - Standard
- safety measures
 - Outside production lines, safe connections, declaration of confidentiality
- measures against disclosure
 - Checks on output



Available data

- Types of data available
 - datasets from regular surveys
 - registrations as sources for statistics
 - datasets from researchers
 - combinations and data linking



Available services

- Always in projects and contracts
- Catalogues of datafiles on line
- Overview of users and used data
- Overview of results in publications



Available services: responsibilities

- Statistics Netherlands
 - making data available
 - providing adequate documentation
 - providing required facilities
- Researchers
 - content and quality of analysis
 - adequate use of micro data

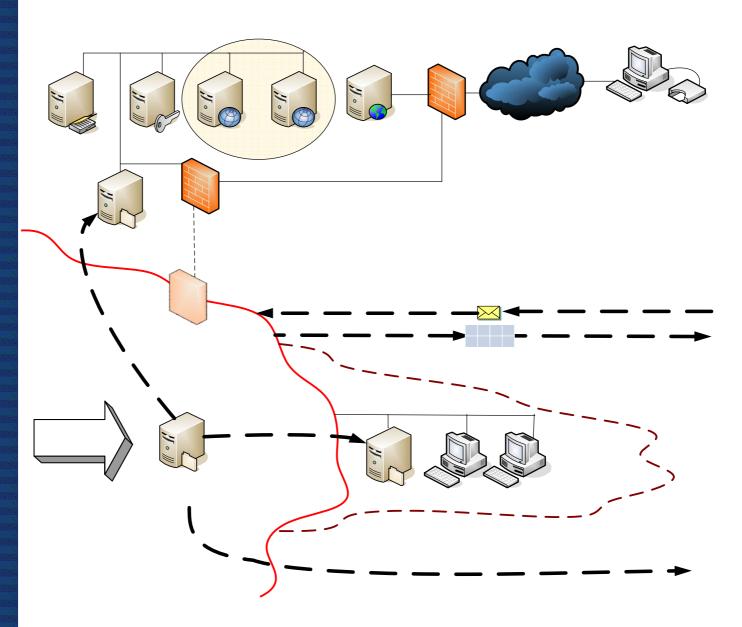


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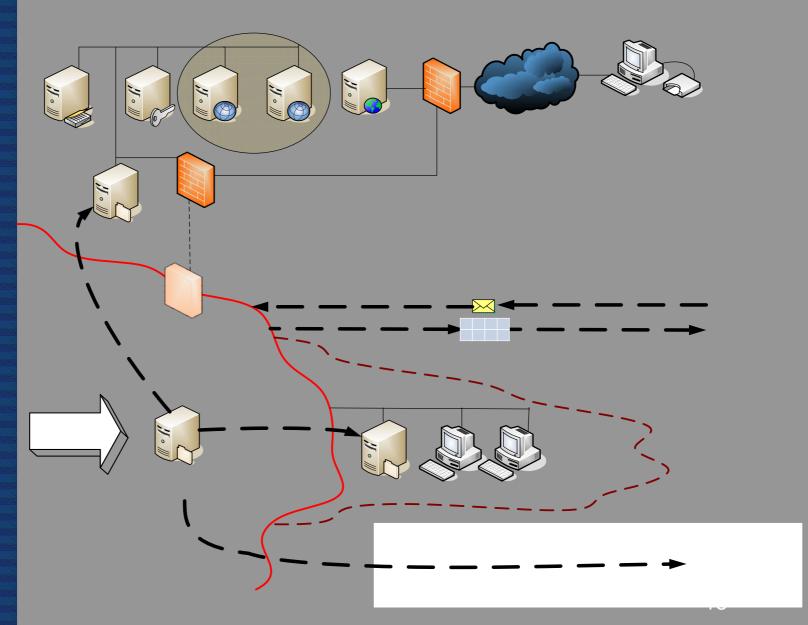
- Secure data on CD-rom
- On-site at Statistics Netherlands
- Remote execution
- Remote access



Overview





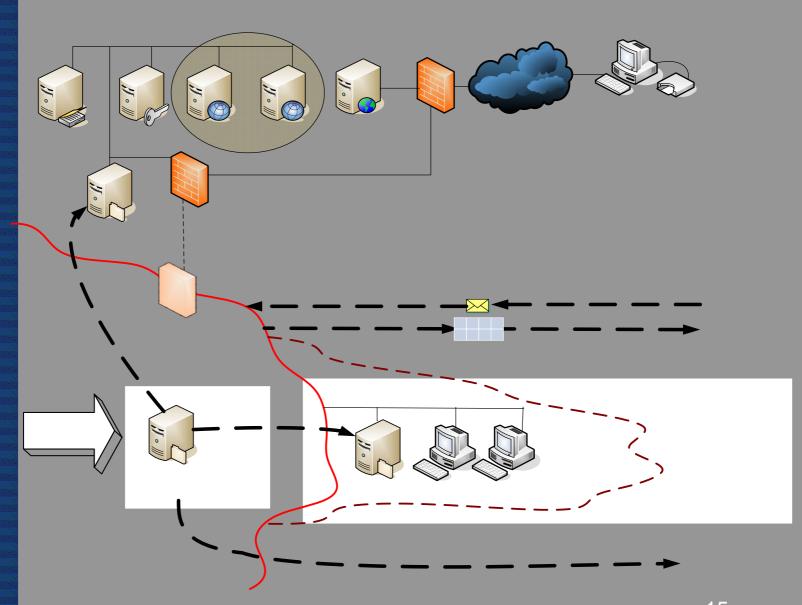




Available services: CD rom

- in the past.....
- Scientific Statistical Agency WSA
- secure data sets
- limited user group







Domain Controller

Available services: on-site facilities

- isolated servers
- working in on-site facilities of SN
- renting workstations
- specific data files per project
- system for reservation
- checks on output



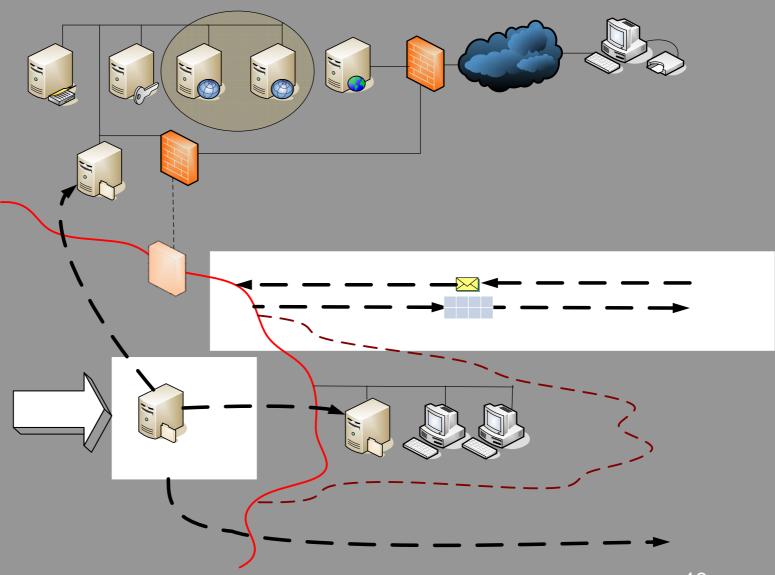








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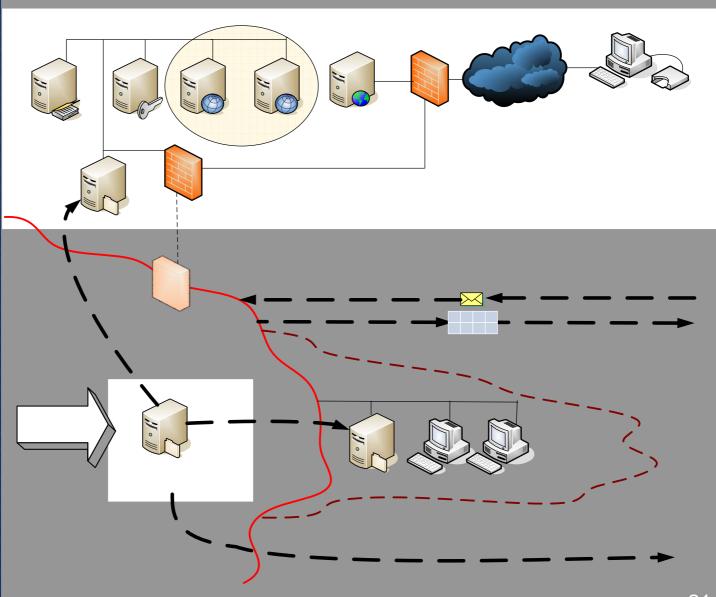




Available services: remote execution

- researchers work from their own desk
- preparation on test sets
- set-ups through mail
- execution by SN
- controlled output to researcher







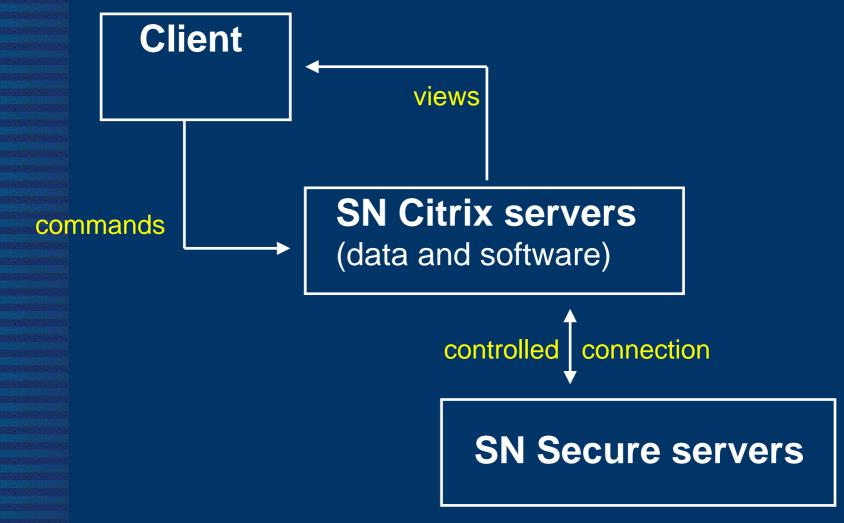
Domain Controller

Available services: remote access

- researchers work from their own desk
- extra safeguards
- view on data and results
- controlled output to researcher



Available services: Remote Access



Biometric identification

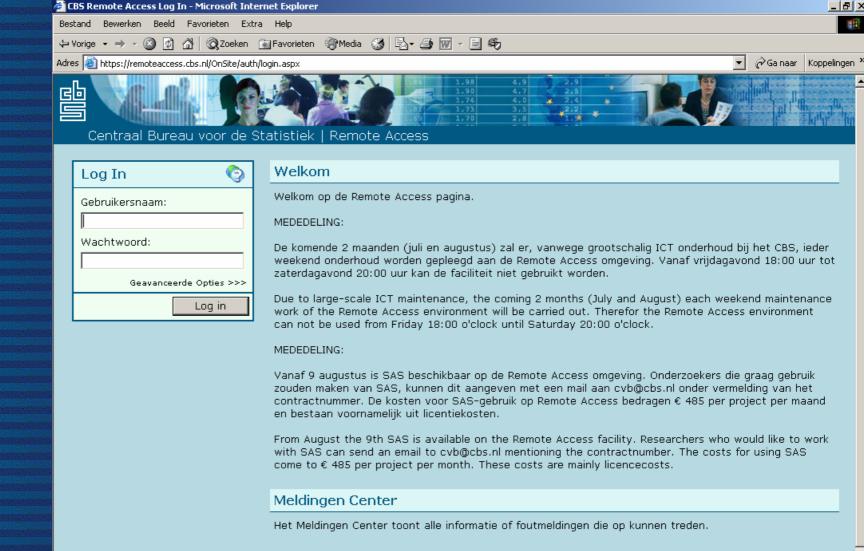




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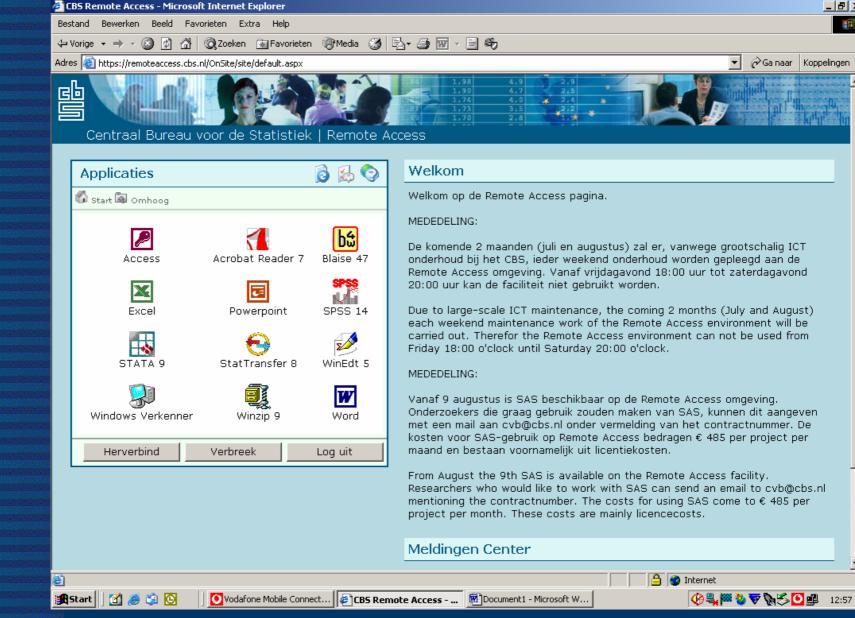
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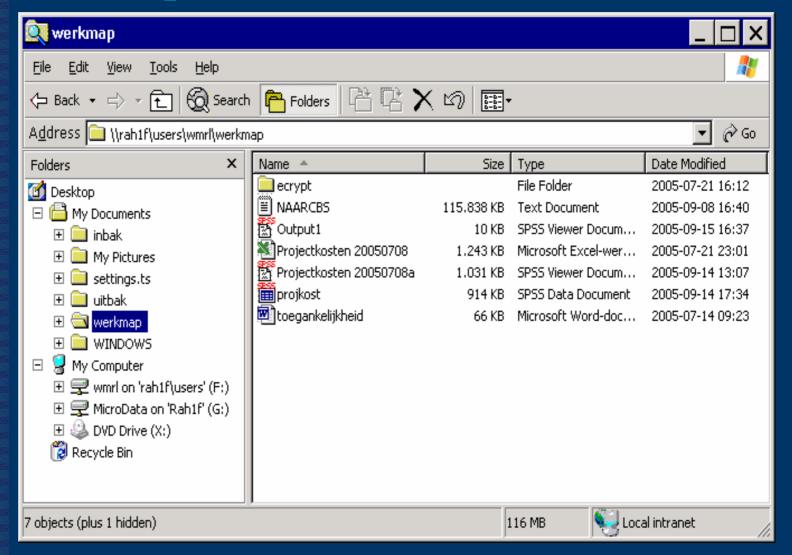
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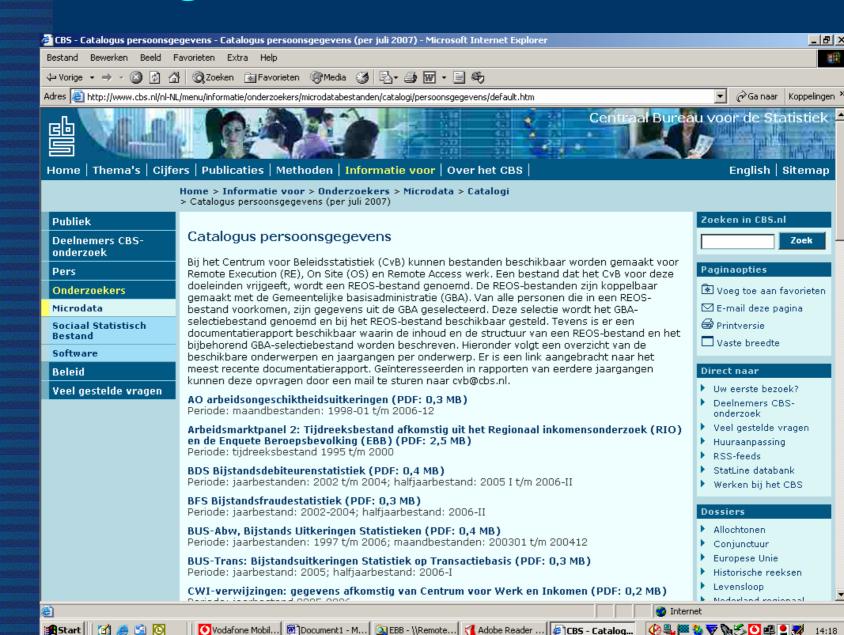


User specific environment





Catalogue



Available services

- Costs
 - Secure data on CD-rom = free
 - On-site at Statistics Netherlands
 - = €44 half day period
 - Remote execution
 - =€88 per job
 - Remote access
 - = €450 a month basic
 - preparation costs for data



Available services

- Current use
 - 100 projects a year
 - 55 on-site; 40 remote access; 5 RE
 - 60 institutions
 - 1 300 on-site sessions
 - 10 CD roms, 25 institutions



Available services: near future

- gradual growth remote access
- growth of available data files
- broad applicable datafiles
- connect social and economic data
- datasharing
- 'public use files' for education
- 'historical data'
- 'linking up with the world'

Questions?

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