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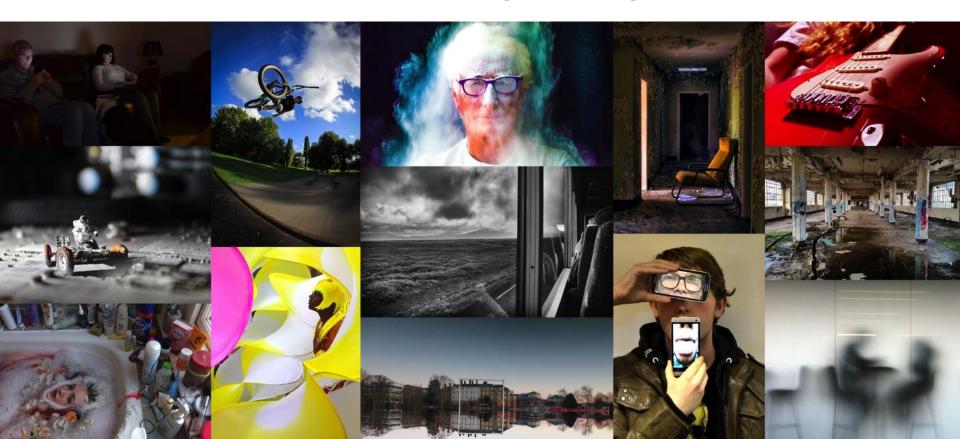
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Space and the Surveillance Society

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Research Councils



Invest £3 billion pa in knowledge creation and its translation:





World-class research

- BBSRC bioscience for the future
- EPSRC

 Engineering and Physical Sciences
 Research Council

- Facilities and technologies
- High-level skills, PhD training
- Knowledge exchange, innovation









Economic & Social Research Council?

Social science is the study of society and the manner in which people behave and influence the world around us.

It tells us about the world beyond our immediate experience, and can help explain how our own society works - from the causes of unemployment or what helps economic growth, to how and why people vote, or what makes people happy.

It provides vital information for governments and policymakers, local authorities, businesses, nongovernmental organisations and others.

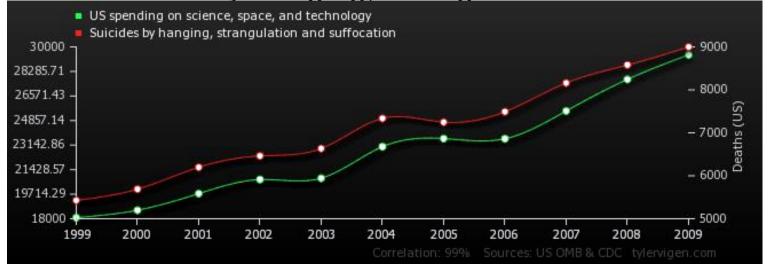




Space and Society

Correlation between spending on science space and technology

and US suicides by hanging, strangulation and suffocation







Space & Surveillance Society: Session

- Alan Schuster-Bruce, Inmarsat: Satellite Aircraft Surveillance
- Luis Gomes, SSTL: Real-time Global Imaging
- Pat Norris, CGI: Eavesdropping Satellites
- Emma Carr, Big Brother Watch: Designing for Privacy
- Discussion Session