

Data Analysis

Thematic Analysis

Thematic analysis is a method for analyzing qualitative data. It starts with examining the data set to identify repeated patterns to describe and interpret codes and construct themes. Thematic analysis has the flexibility to be used in a wide range of qualitative approaches, study questions, designs, and sample sizes.

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