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The Datafied State is an emerging research agenda that seeks to explore the relationship between datafication and public administration. It is concerned with the proliferation of data sources, infrastructures, and computational techniques adopted across the public sector. The processes through which governments procure, develop, implement, and legally mandate the use of digital and computational systems are increasingly blurring the boundaries between what is considered public and private. So, how datafied is the state today? How can we find out?

Data & Society is hosting a series of conversations with researchers, technology designers, lawyers, activists, policy experts, and public administrators to articulate this agenda across three lines of inquiry: algorithms, automation, and surveillance. The goals of this series are to develop a shared understanding of the ways datafication organizes civic life and to examine how governments use these techniques to distribute benefits and risks to their constituents.

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