Faculty in the ESFCOM at WSU can access SPSS for their statistical software computing needs by following the below procedure:

1. First, ensure you are connected to the WSU network and you have signed in using your WSU network credentials. Open a web-browser window and go to: [http://vdi](http://vdi) (if that doesn’t work, then try [http://vdi.spokane.wsu.edu](http://vdi.spokane.wsu.edu)).

2. When prompted for authentication, enter the following information:
   - Username: spssuser
   - Password: Stats4All! (case-sensitive)
   - RIVERPOINT (change from default AD)

3. Click on the SPSS tile. It will be the only one available.

4. Click on “Advanced” and Proceed at the bottom. We do not have certifications installed for this environment. See Appendix A in order to overcome issues associated with not having appropriate certifications across several different web browsers.

5. A “Virtual Desktop” will open up in a new web browser window. You now have access to SPSS and you can click on it to start the application.

6. SPSS will usually take two or three minutes to start; this is a normal startup time.

7. When accessing data, you can access data within the virtual desktop if your data are stored in an online repository, or “cloud” (e.g., Google Drive, OneDrive, Box, Amazon Web Services, etc.). Alternatively, you can email data to yourself and access your email through an online web portal within the virtual desktop. However, there are limits on the file size you can send over email through the WSU network. The current limit is 150Mb. Finally, one can access their “home drive” on the WSU network or a drive they utilize on the FS1 shared server as well.

8. When done, be sure to sign off the virtual desktop. This courtesy is stressed because users that stay on a session will block out others wanting to run the software. The current limit for simultaneous users is 6, which means that if 6 users are currently using SPSS, a 7th user would need to wait for one of the 6 users to exist out of their session.

9. Please note that these desktops are “instant clones” that are destroyed after a session is closed. There is no trace left behind whatsoever. This is why it is critical for the user to save their work and either store in an online repository, email to themselves, or otherwise save their work as it will be immediately erased upon closing the virtual desktop.

10. For questions, please contact Sterling McPherson, Assistant Dean of Research, at [smcperson05@wsu.edu](mailto:smcperson05@wsu.edu)
Accessing the SPSS VDI in FireFox

When connecting to the SPSS VDI using FireFox, go to vdi.spokane.wsu.edu and log into the VMware page with the credentials given and change AD to Riverpoint using the dropdown and login. Next, select SPSS to launch the VDI desktop.

Next, you’ll need to navigate through the page’s security warning. #1 click Advanced and then #2 Proceed. The desktop should load from there, click on the SPSS icon on the desktop to launch the program.
**Accessing the SPSS VDI in Chrome**

When connecting to the SPSS VDI using Chrome, go to vdi.spokane.wsu.edu and log into the VMware page with the credentials given and change AD to Riverpoint using the dropdown and login. Next, select SPSS to launch the VDI desktop.

Next, you’ll need to navigate through the page’s security warning. #1 click Advanced and then #2 Proceed. The desktop should load from there, click on the SPSS icon on the desktop to launch the program.
Accessing the SPSS VDI in Edge

When connecting to the SPSS VDI using Edge, go to vdi.spokane.wsu.edu and log into the VMware page with the credentials given and change AD to Riverpoint using the dropdown and login. Next, select SPSS to launch the VDI desktop.

Next, you’ll need to navigate through the page’s security warning. #1 click Details and then #2 Go on to the webpage. The desktop should load from there, click on the SPSS icon on the desktop to launch the program.
**Accessing the SPSS VDI on a Mac using Safari**

The first time you connect to the SPSS VDI, you’ll be prompted to update your Safari settings. You’ll first reach a page that says This Connect Is Not Private. #1 Click on Show Details, #2 click on Visit this website and #3 again, Visit this website.

#4 Enter your computer password when prompted and Update Settings

Once into the site, click on SPSS

You will be prompted again to update your Safari settings; repeat the above steps and you will be taken to the SPSS desktop. If prompted to Enable Audio, click OK. Double click on the SPSS icon on the desktop and launch the program.