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*to systematically
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obvious
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globalization
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societies less
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questions like these, social scientists turn to quantitative macro-comparative research (QMCR).

Although many social scientists understand

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statistics
conceptually,
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(from the point
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