

Annex A: Codebook

See Eltjo Buringh, 'The Population of European Cities from 700 to 2000', in: *Research Data Journal for the Humanities and Social Sciences* for a detailed discussion of the dataset.

- Column A ("city") contains the name of the European city in question, which is generally given without the usual accents or special linguistic signs that some of these names of settlements officially have, because the database was produced in Excel, only allowing plain text.
- Column B ("synonyms and historical names") contains the city names complete with accents or special linguistic signs, its synonyms and if available its historical names.
- Column C ("ISO-3166 country code") contains the ISO-1336 numerical code of the country.
- Column D ("country") contains the (current short) name of the country.
- Column E ("transportlocation/water catchment area") contains the first nature geographical characteristics of the city: its fluvial catchment area and whether it was a 'sea', 'river' or 'landlocked' city.
- Columns F ("latitude in degrees") and G ("longitude in degrees") contain the geographical coordinates (in decimal degrees) of the city in question, first its latitude than its longitude.
- Column H ("elevation in m") contains the city's elevation in m above sea level.
- Column I ("year") contains the year of the time window.
- Column J ("inhabitants in 000-s") contains the numbers of inhabitants (in thousands) in the city at (or close to) the time window in question.
- Column K ("source") contains the source of the population numbers it contains:
 - 'AzK' = Hubert Jedin, Kenneth Scott Latourette and Jochen Martin. 1987. *Atlas zur Kirchengeschichte, die Christlichen Kirchen in Geschichte und Gegenwart*. Freiburg: Herder.
 - 'Bai' = Paul Bairoch, Jean Batou and Pierre Chèvre, (1988). *La population des villes européennes de 800 à 1850*. Librairie Droz, Geneve.
 - 'Bosker et al.' = Maarten Bosker, Eltjo Buringh and Jan Luiten van Zanden (2013) "From Baghdad to London, unraveling urban development in Europe, North Africa and the Middle East, 800-1800." *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, 95/4; pp. 1418-1437.
 - 'Chandler&Fox' = Tertius Chandler and Gerald Fox, (1974). *3000 years of urban growth*. Academic Press, New York.
 - 'Ency Brit' = Encyclopaedia Britannica (1910). *Encyclopaedia Britannica*. New York (28 vols, 11th edition).

- 'EoI' = H. A. R. Gibb, J. H. Kramers, E. Lévi-Provençal and J. Schacht, (Eds.), (1975). *Encyclopédie de l'islam*. Brill, Leiden (12 vols, 2nd edition).
 - 'LdM' = R. Auty, (1999). *Lexikon des Mittelalters*. Metzler, Stuttgart (9 vols).
 - 'Lou' = Piet Lourens and Jan Lucassen (1997). *Inwoneraantallen van Nederlandse steden, ca 1300-1800*. NEHA, Amsterdam.
 - 'Russel 58' = Josiah Cox Russell, (1958). "Late ancient and medieval population." *Transactions of the American Philosophical Society*. Vol. 48, pt. 3, 152 p.
 - 'Russel 72' = Josiah Cox Russell, (1972). *Medieval regions and their cities*. Indiana University Press, Bloomington.
 - 'wikipedia' = *Wikipedia*, accessed January 2012 to August 2019.
 - 'WP' = *Grote Winkler Prins Encyclopedie*, (1990). Elsevier, Amsterdam (25 vols, 9th impr.).
- Column L ("nature of estimate") indicates the nature of the population estimate. A blank cell indicates that population numbers have been taken from a source that was deemed sound.