## Lec4-5 In-Class Exercise

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Extracting the data from local drive:

my\_data <- read\_csv("/Users/lucmekouar/Desktop/POLI 3148/!!class files/\_DataPublic\_/vdem/1984\_2022/vdem

```
## Rows: 6789 Columns: 211
## -- Column specification ------
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (3): country_name, country_text_id, histname
## dbl (207): country_id, year, project, historical, codingstart, codingend, c...
## date (1): historical_date
##
## i Use 'spec()' to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set 'show_col_types = FALSE' to quiet this message.
```

- 1. Coodbook lookup. Look up the codebook, answer the following questions:
- i. What indicators regarding the quality of education are available in the V-Dem datasets?
- Educational inequality, Gini (e\_peedgini)
- Education 15+ (E) (e\_peaveduc)
- ii. What are the data's coverage (i.e., for which countries and years do we have data?)

## i Use 'spec()' to retrieve the full column specification for this data.

The data covers a total of 202 countries, and spans from 1789 to 2022. Find below a detailed list of which countries are included, and for which year.

## i Specify the column types or set 'show\_col\_types = FALSE' to quiet this message.

iii. What are their sources? Provide the link to least 1 source.

Their sources are mentioned in the Bibliographie section of the document called "codebook". Here is the first source they cite:

" Abad, L. A., Davies, E. A. R. & Luiten Van Zanden, J. (2012), 'Prices and wages in Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Mexico and Peru (Data appendix in: Between conquest and independence: Real wages and demographic change in Spanish America, 1530-1820)', Explorations in Economic History 49(2), 149–166. URL: www.iisg.nl/hpw/ ".

- 2. Subset by columns
- i. Create a dataset containing only the country-year identifiers and indicators of education quality.

Now, I will take only a subset of the V-Dem dataset, namely the file called "vdem\_1984\_2022\_external.csv" to do this exercise as adviced in class.

ii. Rename the columns of education quality to make them informative.

- 3. Subset by rows
- i. List 5 countries-years that have the highest education level among its population.

```
educational_quality |> select(Country, Year, `Education 15+`) |>
slice_max(order_by = `Education 15+`, n = 5)
```

```
## # A tibble: 13 x 3
##
                      Year 'Education 15+'
      Country
##
      <chr>
                     <dbl>
                                     <dbl>
##
   1 United Kingdom
                      2010
                                      13.3
##
   2 United Kingdom
                      2011
                                      13.3
##
  3 United Kingdom
                      2012
                                      13.3
  4 United Kingdom
                      2013
                                      13.3
  5 United Kingdom
                      2014
                                      13.3
##
## 6 United Kingdom
                      2015
                                      13.3
## 7 United Kingdom
                      2016
                                      13.3
## 8 United Kingdom
                      2017
                                      13.3
## 9 United Kingdom
                      2018
                                      13.3
## 10 United Kingdom
                      2019
                                      13.3
## 11 United Kingdom
                      2020
                                      13.3
## 12 United Kingdom
                      2021
                                      13.3
## 13 United Kingdom
                      2022
                                      13.3
```

```
#13 rows are showing as these rows are all tied in terms of "education 15+"
# (a measure of education level)
```

ii. List 5 countries-years that suffer from the most severe inequality in education.

```
educational_quality |>
slice_max(order_by = `Educational inequality`, n = 5)
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 4
     Country
                   Year 'Educational inequality' 'Education 15+'
##
     <chr>
                  <dbl>
                                            <dbl>
                                                            <dbl>
## 1 Burkina Faso 1984
                                             97.0
                                                            0.301
## 2 Burkina Faso 1985
                                             96.9
                                                            0.322
## 3 Burkina Faso 1986
                                                            0.343
                                             96.7
## 4 Burkina Faso 1987
                                             96.4
                                                            0.364
## 5 Burkina Faso 1988
                                             96.1
                                                            0.385
```

- 4. Summarize the data
- i. Check data availability: For which countries and years are the indicators of education quality available?

```
educational_quality |>
na.omit(educational_quality)
```

```
## # A tibble: 3,378 x 4
##
      Country Year 'Educational inequality' 'Education 15+'
##
      <chr>
                                                        <dbl>
              <dbl>
                                        <dbl>
##
   1 Mexico
                                         32.7
                                                         6.08
               1984
## 2 Mexico
               1985
                                         32.4
                                                         6.22
                                         31.9
##
    3 Mexico
               1986
                                                         6.36
##
  4 Mexico
                                         31.4
               1987
                                                         6.5
##
  5 Mexico
              1988
                                         31.1
                                                         6.64
                                         30.1
                                                         6.78
## 6 Mexico
               1989
                                         30.0
##
   7 Mexico
               1990
                                                         6.92
## 8 Mexico
                                         29.7
                                                         7.03
               1991
## 9 Mexico
               1992
                                         29.5
                                                         7.14
## 10 Mexico
               1993
                                         29.3
                                                         7.25
## # i 3,368 more rows
```

- ii. Create two types of country-level indicators of education quality
- a. Average level of education quality from 1984 to 2022

```
# index_1_avg_edu_qual is not a good measure of quality as it uses data on the
# average number years of education (15+ year old), which is arguably different
# form quality, but is the closest the author could find in the dataset. Only
# one variable could be used as the other measure relevant, education
# inequality, has different units and therefore both variables would have to be
# normalized first before any operation can be done to combine them.
educational_quality |>
```

```
filter(Year >= 1984 & Year <= 2022) |>
arrange(Year) |>
group_by(Country) |>
summarise(index_1_avg_edu_qual = mean(`Education 15+`), na.rm = TRUE) |>
ungroup() |>
arrange(-(index_1_avg_edu_qual))
```

```
## # A tibble: 181 x 3
##
      Country
                     index_1_avg_edu_qual na.rm
##
      <chr>
                                    <dbl> <lgl>
  1 Germany
                                     12.9 TRUE
## 2 Australia
                                     12.9 TRUE
## 3 United Kingdom
                                     12.9 TRUE
## 4 Canada
                                     12.7 TRUE
## 5 Switzerland
                                     12.7 TRUE
## 6 Japan
                                     12.6 TRUE
## 7 Norway
                                     12.4 TRUE
## 8 France
                                     12.0 TRUE
## 9 South Korea
                                     12.0 TRUE
## 10 New Zealand
                                     11.9 TRUE
## # i 171 more rows
```

b. Change of education quality from 1984 to 2022

```
## # A tibble: 181 x 3
##
     Country
                 index_2_chg_edu_qual na.rm
##
      <chr>
                                 <dbl> <lgl>
                                  5.17 TRUE
## 1 Botswana
## 2 Singapore
                                  4.52 TRUE
                                  4.07 TRUE
## 3 Libya
## 4 Cuba
                                  3.84 TRUE
## 5 Chad
                                  3.82 TRUE
                                 3.82 TRUE
## 6 Egypt
## 7 Jordan
                                 3.82 TRUE
## 8 South Korea
                                  3.54 TRUE
## 9 Saudi Arabia
                                 3.49 TRUE
## 10 Algeria
                                  3.35 TRUE
## # i 171 more rows
```

iii. Examine the data and briefly discuss: Which countries perform the best and the worst in terms of education quality in the past four decades?

Looking at the average national inequality in education, form 1984 to 2022, measured by the number of years of education done on average by citizens at or over the age of 15, Burkina Faso, Niger and Mali had

the worse education quality, according to VDem data. Moreover, one can also inquire into the largest shift education quality from 1984 to 2022, where Botswana, Singapore and Lybia arrive as the top 3 positive change in education quality. Note that only one country decreased in education quality: Tajikistan. As it stands in 2022, the 5 countries with the largest average number of years of education done on average by citizens at or over the age of 15 can be found below:

```
educational quality |> select(Country, Year, `Education 15+`) |>
  filter(Year == 2022) |>
  slice_max(order_by = `Education 15+`, n = 5)
## # A tibble: 5 x 3
     Country
##
                      Year 'Education 15+'
##
     <chr>>
                     <dbl>
                                      <dbl>
## 1 United Kingdom
                      2022
                                       13.3
## 2 Japan
                      2022
                                       13.2
## 3 Australia
                      2022
                                       13.1
## 4 Canada
                      2022
                                       13.1
## 5 South Korea
                                       13
                      2022
```

Furthermore, from the latest data available (2010), the 5 countries with the least inequality of education (potentially aslo a factor of quality of education) can be found below:

```
educational_quality |> select(Country, Year, `Educational inequality`) |>
  filter(Year == 2010) |>
  filter(`Educational inequality` > 0) |>
  slice_min(order_by = `Educational inequality`, n = 5)
## # A tibble: 5 x 3
     Country
##
                     Year 'Educational inequality'
##
     <chr>>
                     <dbl>
                                               <dbl>
## 1 Austria
                     2010
                                               4.20
## 2 Barbados
                     2010
                                               5.42
## 3 United Kingdom
                     2010
                                               6.07
```

## 4 Australia

## 5 Denmark

2010

2010

link to github r markdown file: <a href="https://github.com/LucMekouar/REPO\_Luc\_POLI3148/blob/main/week%205\_data%">https://github.com/LucMekouar/REPO\_Luc\_POLI3148/blob/main/week%205\_data%</a> /HW/2.0Lec4-5%20In-Class%20Exercise.Rmd>

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