**Codebook for presidential approval data**



These examples are based on presidential approval data obtained from the U.S. Officials’ Job Approval Ratings website compiled by Richard Niemi, Thad Beyle, and Lee Sigelman. These data were merged with selected variables from the Bailey and Fullmer data set, including state unemployment rate. The unit of analysis is the individual poll, and each poll is associated with a state and year. Thus, in many cases there are multiple observations for a particular state and year.

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