



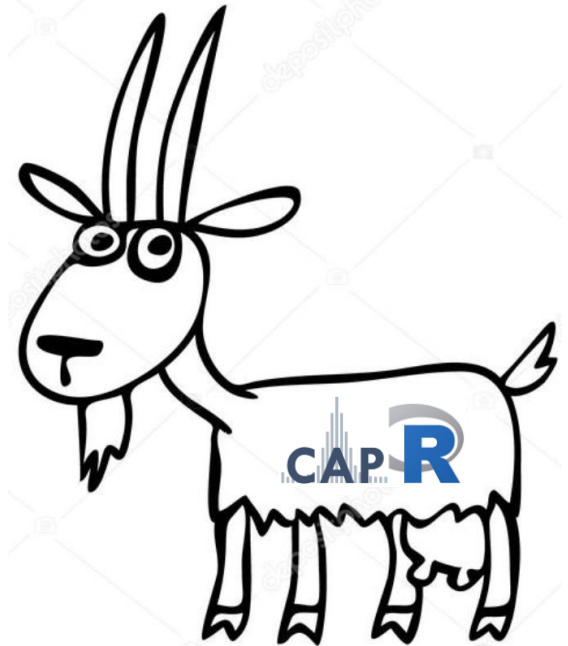
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# capR

- Easily access current CAP data within R
- Grow CAP user base
- Enable links with other projects/datasets
- Similar to manifestoR



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# How it works

- Uses new API for current dataset info:  
<https://www.comparativeagendas.net/api/datasets/metadata>
- Runs as a gadget within Rstudio
- Select and downloads data sets from the API and loads them into R

~/Desktop/capR/CapRpackage - master - RStudio

Go to file/function Addins CapRpackage

app.R x cap\_df.R x trynew x

Source on Save Run

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1 ## App that downloads complete datasets as a list
2
3 library(shiny)
4 library(shinyWidgets)
5 library(miniUI)
6 library(leaflet)
7 library(ggplot2)
8 library(tidyverse)
9 library(DT)
10
11 cap_df <- function() {
12
13   data <- jsonlite::fromJSON("https://www.comparativeagendas
14     rename(Country = country, Type = name, Units = stats_obs
15       from = stats_year_from, to = stats_year_to) %>%
16     mutate(url = paste0("https://comparativeagendas.s3.amazo
```

7:17 (Top Level) R Script

Environment History Connections Build Git

Global Environment

Functions

| Function | Environment |
|----------|-------------|
| cap_df   | function () |

Files Plots Packages Help Viewer

Cancel Select CAP data Download

Select type of activity Select country

Nothing selected Nothing selected

Parameters Data

Console Terminal

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+   })
+ }
+
+ runGadget(ui, server)
+ }
+
+ # cap_data <- cap_df()
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Listening on http://127.0.0.1:6855

# 1 - Select dataset type

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The screenshot shows a software interface with a menu bar (Files, Plots, Packages, Help, Viewer) and a toolbar. The main window is titled 'Select CAP data' and contains two dropdown menus: 'Select type of activity' and 'Select country'. The 'Select type of activity' dropdown is open, showing a list of options with 'Parliamentary & Legislative' selected. The 'Select country' dropdown is currently empty. At the bottom of the window, there are two tabs: 'Parameters' and 'Data'.

Files Plots Packages Help Viewer

Cancel Select CAP data Download

Select type of activity Select country

Parliamentary & Legislative Nothing selected

Select All Deselect All

Parliamentary & Legislative ✓

Prime Minister & Executive

Media

Political Parties

Public Opinion & Interest Groups

Judiciary

Parameters Data

## 2 - Select countries/projects

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Files Plots Packages Help Viewer

Cancel Select CAP data Download

Select type of activity  
Parliamentary & Legislative

Select country  
Netherlands

Select All Deselect All

Denmark  
UK  
Netherlands ✓  
Pennsylvania  
US  
Belgium  
Italy  
Hungary  
France  
Spain

Parameters Data

# 3 – View available datasets

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FilesPlotsPackagesHelpViewer

Cancel

Select CAP data

Download

Search:

|   | Country     | Type           | Units | from | to   |
|---|-------------|----------------|-------|------|------|
| 1 | Netherlands | Bills          | 4864  | 1980 | 2009 |
| 2 | Netherlands | Oral Questions | 1507  | 1984 | 2009 |
| 3 | Netherlands | Urgent debates | 247   | 2004 | 2009 |

Showing 1 to 3 of 3 entries

Parameters

Data

# 4 – Download and use in R

| Data   |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
| cap_data   | 8509 obs. of 5 variables |
| dataframe : chr "Netherlands_Bills" "Netherlands_Bills" "Netherlands_Bills" "Nethe..." |                          |
| id : chr "2786" "2786" "2786" "2786" ...   |                          |
| year : int 1995 1995 1997 2002 2004 2009 1984 1992 2009 1981 ...                       |                          |
| subtopic : int 100 100 100 100 100 100 101 101 101 104 ...                             |                          |
| majortopic: int 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...  |                          |

cap\_df.R x cap\_data x

← → ↗ Filter

|      | dataframe                  | id | year | subtopic | majortopic |
|------|----------------------------|----|------|----------|------------|
| 6756 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 1203     | 12         |
| 6757 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 1926     | 19         |
| 6758 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 2108     | 21         |
| 6759 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 499      | 4          |
| 6760 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 203      | 2          |
| 6761 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 509      | 5          |
| 6762 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 509      | 5          |
| 6763 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 1605     | 16         |
| 6764 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 1911     | 19         |
| 6765 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 1912     | 19         |
| 6766 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 1913     | 19         |
| 6767 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 1297     | 12         |
| 6768 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 230      | 2          |
| 6769 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 1501     | 15         |
| 6770 | Netherlands_Oral Questions | 1  | 1984 | 608      | 6          |



Tool for CAP project  
managers to prep data for  
upload to CAP website

# Clean CAP Dataframes



# Uploading files

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The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title 'Prepare files for CAP'. The address bar displays '127.0.0.1:5707'. The page has a header with the title 'Prepare files for CAP' and a navigation bar with five tabs: 'Uploading Files' (active), 'Select columns', 'Check codes', 'Generate codebook', and 'Downloading Data'. Below the navigation bar is a form titled 'Choose CSV File'. The form contains a 'Browse...' button, a 'No file selected' status, a checked 'Header' checkbox, a 'Separator' section with radio buttons for 'Comma' (selected), 'Semicolon', and 'Tab', a 'Quote' section with radio buttons for 'None', 'Double Quote' (selected), and 'Single Quote', and a 'Show' button at the bottom.

Prepare files for CAP

Uploading Files   Select columns   Check codes   Generate codebook   Downloading Data

**Choose CSV File**

Browse...   No file selected

☒ Header

**Separator**

☒ Comma  
☐ Semicolon  
☐ Tab

**Quote**

☐ None  
☒ Double Quote  
☐ Single Quote

Show

# Select columns

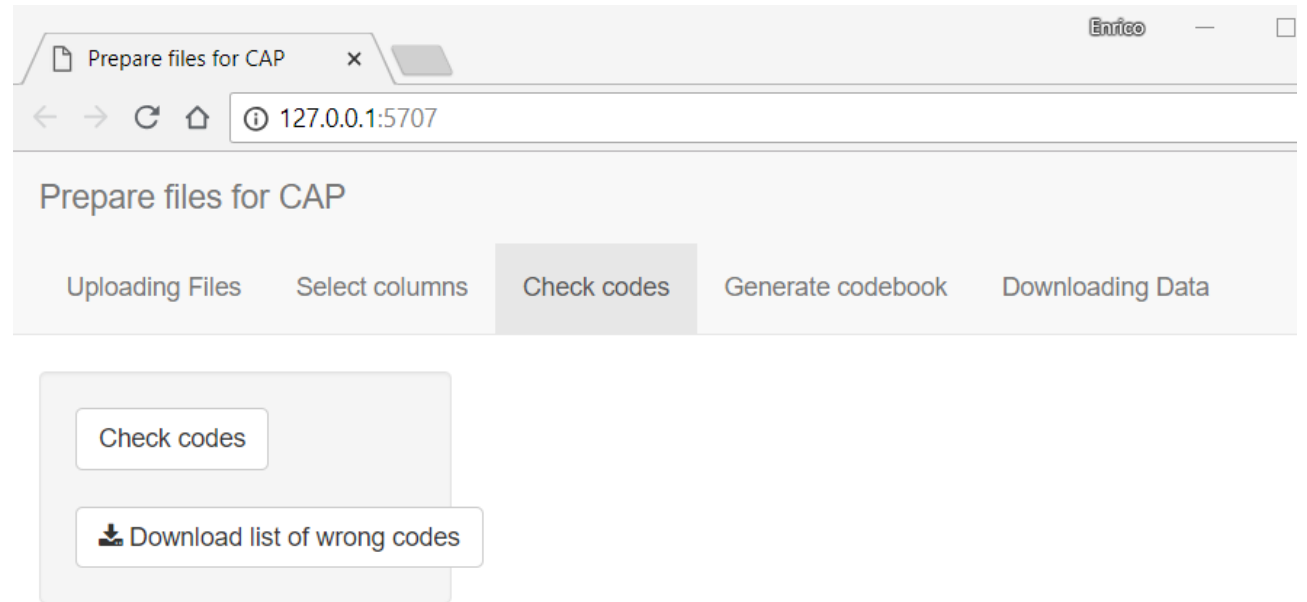
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- This column records the unique identifier for each observation**  
[Dropdown menu]
- The year column records the year on which the event occurred**  
[Dropdown menu]
- This column records the Comparative Agendas Project's major topic code**  
[Dropdown menu]
- This column records the Comparative Agendas Project's subtopic code**  
[Dropdown menu]

# Check for incorrect codes

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Create a  
standardized  
documentation  
for your data

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Prepare files for CAP

Uploading Files Select columns Check codes **Generate codebook** Downloading Data

**Document format**

☒ PDF ☐ HTML ☐ Word

[Download](#)

**title**

[TO CHANGE] Type of activity

**id**

This column records the unique identifier for

**year**

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**majortopic**

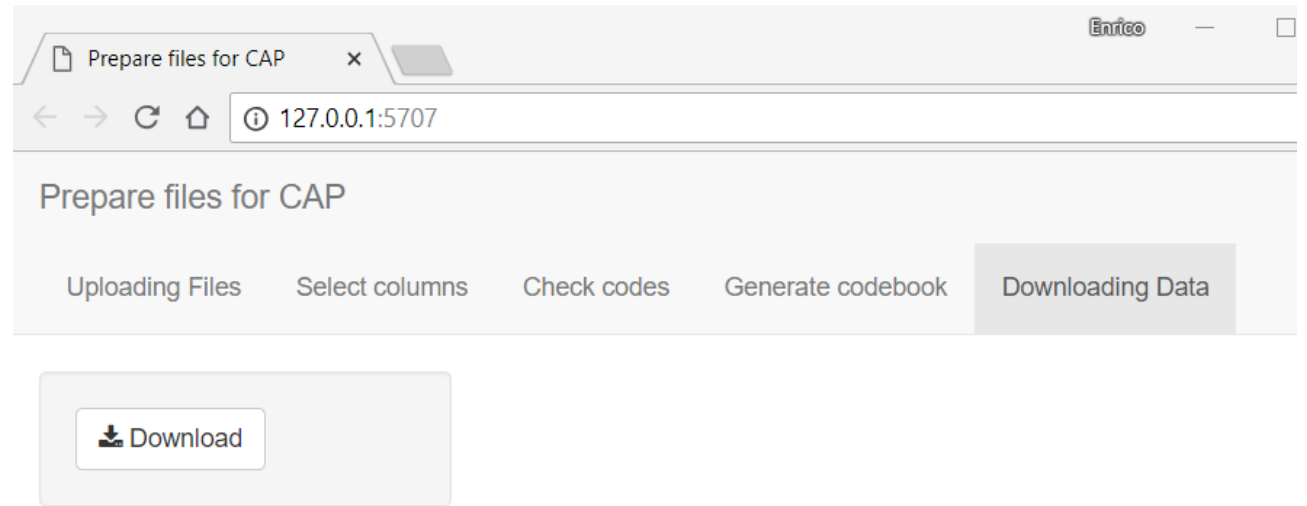
This column records the Comparative Agenc

**subtopic**

This column records the Comparative Agenc

# Download the cleaned data

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# Next Steps: For Us

- Functions to perform typical analyses of CAP community (Pooled % change histograms, l-kurtosis, Shannon's H, etc.)
- Documentation and tutorial
- Compatibility with mainstream R packages (e.g. *tidyverse*)

# Next Steps: For CAP Community

- Project managers use Clean CAP DF to check old datasets?
- Add version control for CAP datasets?
- Give us ideas for functionality (e.g. Stata version, text mining?)



**Contribute code and test package:**

**<https://github.com/SamuelWorkman/capR>**

## Suggestions/Feedback?

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