## **Codebook: Media Content**

This document contains the codebook for the coding of party positions in newspaper articles, used in the article "How Political Parties Shape Public Opinion in the Real World" by Martin Bisgaard and Rune Slothuus, published in *American Journal of Political Science*.

## VARIABLES IN DATASET

ID	At1 -	. :		£	If	1-4-1
ID .	Article	identificatio	n number	irom	miomedia	database

Character string with unique ID number.

tid Date for publication of article

Numeric value in yyyymmdd format.

medie Newspaper publishing article

1. Politiken

2. Jyllands-Posten

issue Policy issue covered in article

1. Unemployment benefits

2. Early retirement benefits

partiEL Is Unity List (Enhedslisten) present in article?

0. Party is not present in article

1. Party is present in article

partiSF Is Socialist People's Party (Socialistisk Folkeparti) present in article?

0. Party is not present in article

1. Party is present in article

partiS Is Social Democrats party (Socialdemokratiet) present in article?

0. Party is not present in article

1. Party is present in article

partiRV Is Social Liberals party (Radikale Venstre) present in article?

0. Party is not present in article

1. Party is present in article

partiK Is Conservative party (Konservative Folkeparti) present in article?

0. Party is not present in article

1. Party is present in article

partiV Is Liberal party (Venstre) present in article?

0. Party is not present in article

1. Party is present in article

partiDF

Is Danish People's Party (Dansk Folkeparti) present in article?

- 0. Party is not present in article
- 1. Party is present in article

posEL

Which position is Unity List (Enhedslisten) expressing on the issue?

- 0. Party position is not present in article
- 1. Clearly against the policy proposal
- 2. Somewhat against the policy proposal
- 3. Ambigious towards the policy proposal
- 4. Somewhat supportive of the policy proposal
- 5. Clearly supportive of the policy proposal

posSF

Which position is Socialist People's Party (Socialistisk Folkeparti) expressing on the issue?

- 0. Party position is not present in article
- 1. Clearly against the policy proposal
- 2. Somewhat against the policy proposal
- 3. Ambigious towards the policy proposal
- 4. Somewhat supportive of the policy proposal
- 5. Clearly supportive of the policy proposal

posS

Which position is Social Democrats party (Socialdemokratiet) expressing on the issue?

- 0. Party position is not present in article
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posRV

Which position is Social Liberals party (Radikale Venstre) expressing on the issue?

- 0. Party position is not present in article
- 1. Clearly against the policy proposal
- 2. Somewhat against the policy proposal
- 3. Ambigious towards the policy proposal
- 4. Somewhat supportive of the policy proposal
- 5. Clearly supportive of the policy proposal

posK

Which position is Conservative party (Konservative Folkeparti) expressing on the issue?

- 0. Party position is not present in article
- 1. Clearly against the policy proposal
- 2. Somewhat against the policy proposal
- 3. Ambigious towards the policy proposal
- 4. Somewhat supportive of the policy proposal
- 5. Clearly supportive of the policy proposal

For all variables, missing values are denoted "." or "NA" depending on the statistical program used.

posV	<ul> <li>Which position is Liberal party (Venstre) expressing on the issue?</li> <li>0. Party position is not present in article</li> <li>1. Clearly against the policy proposal</li> <li>2. Somewhat against the policy proposal</li> <li>3. Ambigious towards the policy proposal</li> <li>4. Somewhat supportive of the policy proposal</li> <li>5. Clearly supportive of the policy proposal</li> </ul>			
posDF	<ul> <li>Which position is Danish People's Party (Dansk Folkeparti) expressing on the issue?</li> <li>0. Party position is not present in article</li> <li>1. Clearly against the policy proposal</li> <li>2. Somewhat against the policy proposal</li> <li>3. Ambigious towards the policy proposal</li> <li>4. Somewhat supportive of the policy proposal</li> <li>5. Clearly supportive of the policy proposal</li> </ul>			
udeladt	Reasons for omitting an article.  0 Not omitted 1 Wrong media outlet 2 No party label present 3 Opinion article 4 Article appears multiple times in dataset			
week	Week number (year-week).  Numeric value in yyyyww format.			
Month	Month (year-month).  Numeric value in yyyymm format.			
posELny	Recoded variable of "Which position is Unity List (Enhedslisten) expressing on the issue?"  1 Clearly against the policy proposal 2 Somewhat against the policy proposal 3 Ambigious towards the policy proposal 4 Somewhat supportive of the policy proposal 5 Clearly supportive of the policy proposal			
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