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Abstract

In the era of big data, psycholinguistic research is flourishing with numerous publications 16 that advance our knowledge of concept characteristics and ways to study them. This article 17 presents the Linguistic Annotated Bibliography (LAB) as a searchable web portal to quickly 18 and easily access reliable database norms, related programs, and variable calculations. These 19 publications (N = 706) were coded by language, number of stimuli, stimuli type (i.e., words, 20 pictures, symbols), keywords (i.e., frequency, semantics, valence), and other useful 21 information. This tool not only allows researchers to search for the specific type of stimuli 22 needed for experiments, but also permits the exploration of publication trends across 100 23 years of research. Details about the portal creation and use are outlined, as well as various analyses of change in publication rates and keywords. In general, advances in computational power have allowed for the increase in dataset size in the recent decades, in addition to an 26 increase in the number of linguistic variables provided in each publication.

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LAB: Linguistic Annotated Bibliography – A searchable portal for normed database information

The advance of computational ability and the Internet have propelled research into an 31 era of "big data" that has interesting implications for the field of psycholinguistics, as well as 32 other experimental areas that use normed stimuli for their research. Traditionally, stimuli 33 used for experimental psycholinguistics research were first normed through small in-house pilot studies, which were then used in many subsequent projects. While economic, the 35 results from these studies could be potentially misleading, as the results may be due to the stimuli, rather than experimental manipulation. Small individual lab norming projects may be tied to a lack of funding, time, computational power, or even interest in studying phenomena at the stimuli level. Now, we have the capability to collect, analyze, and publish large datasets for research into memory models (Cree, McRae, & McNorgan, 1999; Moss, Tyler, & Devlin, 2002; Rogers & McClelland, 2004; Vigliocco, Vinson, Lewis, & Garrett, 2004), aphasias (Vinson, Vigliocco, Cappa, & Siri, 2003), probability and linguistics (Cree & McRae, 2003; McRae, Sa, & Seidenberg, 1997; Pexman, Holyk, & Monfils, 2003), valence (Dodds, Harris, Kloumann, Bliss, & Danforth, 2011; Vo et al., 2009; Warriner, Kuperman, & Brysbaert, 2013), and reading speeds and priming (Balota et al., 2007; Cohen-Shikora, Balota, Kapuria, & Yap, 2013; Hutchison et al., 2013; Keuleers, Lacey, Rastle, & Brysbaert, 2012) to name a small subset of research avenues. 47 Big data has manifested in psycholinguistics over the last decade in the form of grant 48 funded megastudies to collect and analyze large text corpora (i.e., the SUBTLEX projects) or to examine numerous word properties in one study (i.e., the Lexicon projects). The SUBTLEX projects were designed to analyze frequency counts for concepts across extremely large corpora sizes using subtitles as a substitute for natural speech. The investigation of these measures was first spurred by the realization that word frequency is an important predictor of naming and lexical decision times (Balota, Cortese, Sergent-Marshall, Spieler, & Yap, 2004; Rayner & Duffy, 1986). While previous measures of frequency (i.e., Baayen,

- Piepenbrock, Gulikers, & Linguistic Data Consortium, 1995; Burgess & Livesay, 1998; Kucera & Francis, 1967) were based on large one million+ word corpora, they were poor predictors of response latencies (Balota et al., 2004; Brysbaert & New, 2009; Zevin & Seidenberg, 2002). Further, it appears from Brysbaert and New (2009)'s investigation into corpora size and type, that not only should the corpora be large (> sixteen million stimuli), but the underlying source of the text data matters (Internet versus subtitles), as well as the 61 contextual diversity of the data (i.e., number of occurrences across sources; Adelman, Brown, & Quesada, 2006). Not only has Brysbaert and New (2009)'s work been included in newer lexical studies (Hutchison et al., 2013; Yap, Tan, Pexman, & Hargreaves, 2011), but SUBTLEX projects have been published in Dutch (Keuleers, Brysbaert, & New, 2010), Greek (Dimitropoulou, Duñabeitia, Avilés, Corral, & Carreiras, 2010), Spanish (Cuetos, Glez-Nosti, Barbon, & Brysbaert, 2011), Chinese (Cai & Brysbaert, 2010), French (New, Brysbaert, Veronis, & Pallier, 2007), British English (Heuven, Mandera, Keuleers, & Brysbaert, 2014), Polish (Mandera, Keuleers, Wodniecka, & Brysbaert, 2015), and German (Brysbaert et al., 2011). The Lexicon projects involved creating large databases of validated mono- and 71 multisyllabic words to assist in the creation of controlled experimental stimuli sets for future experiments. These databases contain lexical decision and naming response latencies, as well as typical word confound variables such as orthographic neighborhood, phonological, and morphological characteristics. While the English Lexicon Project (Balota et al., 2007) is the most cited of the lexicons, other languages include Chinese (Sze, Rickard Liow, & Yap, 2014;
- Tse et al., 2017), Malay (Yap, Rickard Liow, Jalil, & Faizal, 2010), Dutch (Keuleers et al.,
- <sup>78</sup> 2010), and British English (Keuleers et al., 2012). Another twenty or so similar lexical
- database publications can be found in the literature covering French (Lété,
- 80 Sprenger-Charolles, & Colé, 2004), Italian (Barca, Burani, & Arduino, 2002), Arabic
- 81 (Boudelaa & Marslen-Wilson, 2010), and Portuguese (Soares et al., 2014).

The availability of big data has augmented the psycholinguistic literature, but these

projects are certainly time consuming due to the amount of participant data required to achieve reliable and stable norms. A solution to large data collection lies in several avenues of easily obtainable data. First, Amazon's Mechanical Turk, an online crowd sourcing avenue 85 that allows researchers to pay users to complete questionnaires, can be a reliable, diverse participant pool made available at very low cost (Buhrmester, Kwang, & Gosling, 2011; 87 Mason & Suri, 2012). Researchers can pre-screen for specific populations, as well as post-screen surveys for incomplete or inappropriate responses (Buchanan & Scofield, 2018). thus saving time and money with the elimination of poor data. Because of the popularity of Mechanical Turk, large amounts of data can be collected in shorter time periods than 91 traditional experiments. Mechanical Turk has been used to collect data for semantic word pair norms (Buchanan, Holmes, Teasley, & Hutchison, 2013), age of acquisition ratings 93 (Kuperman, Stadthagen-Gonzalez, & Brysbaert, 2012), concreteness ratings (Brysbaert, Warriner, & Kuperman, 2014), past tense information (Cohen-Shikora et al., 2013), and valence and arousal ratings (Dodds et al., 2011; Warriner et al., 2013). Additionally, in a similar vein to the SUBTLEX projects, linguistic data has been mined from open source data, such as the New York Times, music lyrics, and Twitter (Dodds et al., 2011; Kloumann, Danforth, Harris, Bliss, & Dodds, 2012). Finally, De Deyne, Navarro, and Storms (2013) have seen success in simply setting up a special website (www.smallworldofwords.com) to 100 gamify the collection of word pair association norms. 101

The evolution of big data provides exciting opportunities for exploration into psycholinguistics, and this article features the trends in publications of normed datasets across the literature, allowing for a large-scale picture of the developments of trends in psychological stimuli. Historically, these norms have been published in journals connected to the Psychonomic Society, such as Behavior Research Methods, Psychonomic Monograph Supplements, and Perception and Psychophysics. The Psychonomic Society once hosted an electronic database that contained the links to these norms, as well as a search tool to find information about previously published works (Vaughan, 2004). The sale of the society

journals to Springer publications has improved journal visibility and user-friendly access, but also has left a need for an indexed list of database publications that span multiple keywords and journal websites. Therefore, the purpose of this article is twofold: 1) to present a searchable, cataloged database of normed stimuli and related materials for a wide range of experimental research, and 2) to examine trends in the publications of these articles to assess the big data movement within cognitive psychology.

116 Website

This manuscript was written with R markdown and papaja (Aust & Barth, 2017) and 117 can be found at https://osf.io/9bcws/. Readers can find the website by going to 118 http://www.wordnorms.com, and the source files for the website can be found at 119 https://github.com/doomlab/wordnorms. From the webpage, the top navigation bar 120 includes a link to direct the reader to the LAB page. On the LAB page, we have included a 121 purpose statement and several summary options. First, the variable tables include summary 122 descriptions about the stimuli and keyword (tags) variables in this study. The links redirect 123 to Shiny applications. Shiny is an open source graphical user interface R package that allows 124 researchers to build interactive web applications (Chang, Cheng, Allaire, Xie, & McPherson, 125 2017). These apps connect to the LAB database and display the current sample size N, 126 minimum, maximum, mean and standard deviation for each variable, when appropriate. The 127 advantage to using Shiny apps is dynamic updating of the database, so as new information is 128 added, the app will display the most current statistics. Viewers can suggest articles that 129 should be included in the dataset by using the email link included in the top right corner of the website. The entire dataset can be viewed and filtered based on keyword, language, and 131 stimuli type. This search app allows for multiple filter options, so a person may drill down into very specific search criteria. Underneath the search functions, yearly trend visualization 133 and descriptive statistics may be found including frequency tables of stimuli and keywords. 134 Finally, the complete database in csv format can be downloaded. Specific features will be 135

outlined below in relation to the database creation.

#### **Database Methods**

#### 138 Materials

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Bradshaw (1984) and Proctor and Vu (1999)'s lists of database information were used 139 as starting points for collection of research articles. We searched Academic Search Premier, 140 PsycInfo, and ERIC through the EBSCO host system, as well as Google Scholar and PLoS 141 One to find other relevant articles using the following keywords: corpus, linquistic database, 142 linguistic norms, norms, and database. Additionally, since a large number of the original 143 articles were hosted by the Psychonomic Society, the Springer website was searched with 144 these terms that covered the newer editions of Behavior Research Methods and Memory  $\mathcal{E}$ 145 Cognition. We then filtered for articles that met the following criteria: 1) contained database 146 information as supplemental material, 2) demonstrated programs related to building research 147 stimuli using normed databases, or 3) generated new calculations of lexical variables. 148 Research articles that used normed databases in experimental design or tested those 149 variables validity/reliability were excluded if they did not include new database information. 150 Additional articles were found while coding initial publications by searching citations for 151 stimuli selection. For example, the Snodgrass and Vanderwart (1980) norms were cited in 152 multiple newer articles on line drawings, and therefore this article was subsequently entered 153 into the database. At the time of writing, 706 articles, books, websites, and technical reports were included in the following analyses.

# 56 Coding Procedure

The tables with summaries from Bradshaw (1984) and Proctor and Vu (1999) were
consulted for a starting point for data coding. Next, the first round of articles found
(approximately 100) were analyzed to determine information that would be pertinent to a
user who wished to search for normed stimuli. Based on these reviews and lab discussions,

we coded the following information from each article: 1) journal information, 2) stimuli
types, 3) stimuli language, 4) programs or corpus name, 5) keywords, which we refer to as
tags, 6) special populations, and 7) other notes that did not fit into those categories. Each
piece of information is detailed below. In some instances, codes were not used as frequently
as expected based on these initial discussions, but were included to allow more specificity in
searching, as well as the flexibility to include those options for articles subsequently added to
the database.

Journal Information. Each article was coded with the citation information, and a 168 complete list of citations can be found on the website portal by clicking on view and search 169 data. All author last names are listed, along with publication year, article title, journal title, 170 volume, page numbers, and digital object identifier (DOI) when available. This information 171 is listed in citation format in the Shiny app and separated into columns in the downloadable 172 data for easier sorting and searching. For newer articles that have been published online first 173 without volume or page numbers, X and XX-XX are used as placeholders until official 174 publication. Although APA style dictates et al. for references after the second author or 175 immediately for large author publications, all names were included each time they were 176 referenced (see below). The inclusion of these names allows a user to search for specific researchers, as well as separates different publications by the same first author. A complete 178 list of publication sources and percentages can be found online by using the frequency statistics link. 180

Stimuli Types. While this publication was originally intended for traditional linguistic database norms, other types of experimental stimuli used in concept studies were apparent after background review. Therefore, stimuli were coded based on the dominant description from the article (i.e., although heteronyms are words and word pairs, they were coded specifically as heteronyms). The number of stimuli presented in the appendix or database was coded with the stimuli, unless the article covered specific programs, search or experimental creation tools, which is the majority of the "other" stimuli category. Because

many articles included two types of stimuli, or references to different articles where stimuli 188 were selected from, two options for stimuli were included. Therefore, the total values for 189 number of stimuli do not add up to the number of articles in the database because of 190 multiple instances in articles or no stimuli for program descriptions. Table 1 includes a 191 stimuli list, the number of times that each stimuli was used, percentage of the total stimuli 192 codes, the mean and standard deviation of the number of those stimuli, minimum, and 193 maximum. Brief variable descriptions are provided online under variable tables. Researchers 194 often cited specific previous works where stimuli were selected from, and these references 195 were included, which can be found in the downloaded data. Table 1 is included dynamically 196 online under "view the variable table" and "view the frequency table". 197

Stimuli Language. The language of the stimuli set was coded by starting with the 198 most common languages from the first articles surveyed, and others were added as it was 190 apparent that several norms were present for that language (such as Japanese, Dutch, and 200 Greek). If the stimuli were non-linguistic selections, like pictures and line drawings, the 201 language of the participants used to norm the set was used, which was commonly English. 202 The other category was used for low-frequency languages, as well as a multiple category for 203 datasets with more than one set of language norms. One potential limitation of the LAB was that English is the first language for the authors; however, translation tools were used to code sources found in other languages. Table 2 indicates language frequencies and percentages, and the online version can be found by clicking the view frequency statistics link. 207

Program/corpus name. In many instances, megastudies are often named, such as
the English Lexicon Project (Balota et al., 2007), for easier reference. This information was
included in the in the dataset, which will also help researchers with the stimuli references as
described above. For example, a newer study may reference using the BOSS database
(Brodeur, Dionne-Dostie, Montreuil, & Lepage, 2010) and having that information would
make searching for the original article easier by using the corpus name column (especially in
instances the dataset name is not listed in the article title). The names of programs or tools

were also entered, such as NIM (Guasch, Boada, Ferré, & Sánchez-Casas, 2013), a newer
 stimuli selection tool for psycholinguistic studies.

**Keyword Tags.** Keyword tags are the majority of the database, as they allow for 217 the best understanding of trends and availability of stimuli. Table 2 portrays a list of tags, 218 frequencies, percentages, and correlations (described below). Tag descriptions are provided 219 online under variable table. Each article was coded with tags based on the description of the 220 accessible data, and one article may have multiple tags. However, due to the cumulative 221 nature of database research, this tagging system does not mean that each article collected 222 that particular type of data. The most common example of this distinction occurs when data 223 was combined across sources, but presented in a new article. The Maki, McKinley, and 224 Thompson (2004) semantic distance norms also included values from the South Florida Free 225 Association norms (Nelson, McEvoy, & Schreiber, 2004), and Latent Semantic Analysis 226 (Landauer & Dumais, 1997). Therefore, this article was coded with association and 227 semantics, even though the association norms were not collected in that paper. As described 228 above, some small frequency tags were used because of the initial pass through newer 229 articles, but these were left in the database because of their specificity, and they can be used in future additions. 231

Special Populations. While coding articles, it became apparent that a subset of
the normed data was tested on specific special populations. Consequently, demographic data
such as gender, age, ethnicity, and grade school year were listed as described in the article
(i.e., if ages were used, age was listed, but if grade year was used, it was listed rather than
translating to specific ages).

Other/Notes. Lastly, places for more description were included for tags or variables
not frequently used, which was especially useful for program descriptions, as well as
descriptions of specific types of stimuli (i.e., CVC trigrams). In several instances, notes that
appeared frequently were moved to tags (such as similarity) after the database had several
hundred articles sampled. All information described above without a specific table (special

populations, other, program/corpus names, and journal information) can be found by downloading the complete dataset.

## Results and Discussion

Journal results, unsurprisingly, show that the wealth of data was published in Behavior

## 245 Journals

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Research Methods (62.2% combined across name changes). However, a large number of articles also appeared in Psychonomic Monograph Supplements (2.7%), Journal of Verbal 248 Learning and Verbal Behavior (2.1%), Psychonomic Science (2.1%), Journal of Experimental Psychology (combined across subjournals, 3.0%), Perception & Psychophysics (1.8%), Memory & Cognition (1.7%), Bulletin of the Psychonomic Society (1.0%), and Norms of 251 Word Association (1.1%; Postman & Keppel, 1970). The complete list can be found in the frequency statistics online, as there were 129 different entries for journals, books, and 253 websites of publications. While some of these sources were not published with peer review, 254 they were generally found through citations of other peer-reviewed work. Although Behavior 255 Research Methods has dominated the field for publications, the large array of options for 256 publishing indicates a growth in the available avenues for researchers in this field (for 257 example, open source journals such as *PLoS ONE* and websites). 258 Figure 1 portrays the number of publications across years, and there has been a clear 259 expansion of database and program papers, as part of the growth in big data. Interestingly, 260 a first growth of publications tracks with the 1950s cognitive revolution (Miller, 2003), but 261 an odd decline in publications occurred from the 1970s to 1990s. The last twenty years has shown unbelievable progress in this area, at over 260 publications since 2010 alone. This chart can be found in greater detail online, under the Papers Per Year link, showing the ups and downs of publications by year in a larger format with the ability to control year range. 265 For example, 2004, 2010, 2013-2015, and 2017 were big years for linguistic publications, each 266 with 30 or more publications. Even with these fluctuations, a clear growth curve in 267

publications can be found since the 90s.

Stimuli are presented in Table 2, and a review of this table indicated that 269 the publication of word stimuli was slightly under half the dataset (48.0%), which has quite 270 a large range of quantity of stimuli from only ten words to a large corpus of over 500 million 271 words. The wide range of data includes these corpora materials, but there are very large 272 word norming projects outside of the corpora included in the LAB. Other types of word 273 stimuli also appear commonly in the LAB data such as categories, letters, and word pairs. 274 Because linguistic data was of particular interest, we selected publications based on words 275 and word pairs, and plotted the number of stimuli presented in the paper to examine big 276 data trends. These data were broken down by set size in Figure 2. The upper left hand 277 quadrant shows all stimuli across years, and the big data publications stand out in the last 278 fifteen years of publications. This data was then further broken down into small datasets 279 <1,000 stimuli; upper right quadrant), medium datasets (1,000 - 1,000,000 stimuli; bottom 280 left quadrant), and large datasets (1,000,000+, lower right quadrant; although there is a 281 large jump between medium and large as most data is either half million or less or a million 282 or more). The small dataset graph shows that these publications are common across time, 283 while the bottom two quadrants are more telling for the megastudies trend investigation. As with languages and tags (below), we see an increase in the number of medium and very large 285 datasets across the years where the lone large dataset outlier in the early years is the Brown Corpus (Kucera & Francis, 1967). 287

Languages. The variety and number of languages for stimuli provided an
encouraging picture of the growth and diversity of psycholinguistic stimuli, as seen in Table
290 2. A large number of articles includes multiple languages (5.2%), as well as the inclusion of
291 both Portuguese (2.1%) and Spanish (7.6%), French (5.7%), and German (4.2%). To
292 examine trends, the English only articles were filtered out of the dataset since they were the
293 majority of publications (56.7%) and were published across all years present in this data. Of
294 the 283 non-English publications, 37 included multiple languages, and 21 of these were

published after 2010. Additionally, the last ten years (2008 and later) have seen an explosion
 of publications in non-English languages: 186, with 21 in 2017 alone.

Tags. Tables 3 and 4 display the number, percentages, correlations of tags across year, and descriptions of tags. Undoubtedly, these tags represent changes in terminology over time, and some could be combined or recoined. However, even if low frequency (N < 10; nine tags) tags were excluded, thirty-seven different tags were used to describe the types of psycholinguistic data. Many of these tags can be considered individual research areas, and the sizeable number of different options indicates how complex and diverse the field has become since the publication of free association norms in 1910 (Kent & Rosanoff, 1910).

The total number of tags for each publication was then tallied, and this data was 304 plotted in Figure 3 to visualize if the number of variables included in a study has grown over time (M = 2.69, SD = 2.27). The correlation between total tags and year was r = .21, 95%306 CI [.14, .28], t(704) = 5.83, p < .001, indicating a small increase in total tags used over time. Even considering the larger number of publications in the 2000s versus 1950s to 1970s, it 308 appeared that the number of keywords for articles was also slowly growing over time. This 309 trend may indicate the evolution in computing possibilities to be able to publish large 310 amounts of data, but also may indicate a desire to combine datasets so that even more 311 stimuli may be considered at once for modeling or experiment creation. 312

Next, tags with at least thirty publications were investigated individually for trends 313 across time (correlations presented in Tables 3 and 4). Individual histograms can be created 314 by clicking on the Tags Per Year link online, which show the total frequency of the selected 315 tag by year. Some small positive trends were found, such as the increase in arousal, age of acquisition, syllables, familiarity, and valence norms. Intriguingly, meaningfulness and 317 association both showed negative correlations, but these correlations can be understood as 318 an artifact of the publication of a book on association norms in the 1970s (Postman & 319 Keppel, 1970), as well as a recent drop off of in the small but steady use of meaningfulness. 320 These small correlations may partially be explained by the sheer number and variation of 321

data available in the LAB portal, as one would expect the number of frequency tags to increase with the recent SUBTLEX publications. Indeed, if the frequency tags were plotted by year an increase across the last decade (16 in 2010 and 2013, and 21 in 2014) can be found. Readers are encouraged to view the individual graphs for tags to investigate the change of keyword publication over time, including the rise and demise of several research areas. For example, confusion matrices heyday appeared to range from the early 70s to the mid 80s, while arousal norms do not make a consistent appearance until the late 90s.

329 Conclusion

This article had two main purposes: 1) to present the LAB dataset and portal as an 330 annotated bibliography and searchable tool for researchers, and 2) to view trends in 331 psycholinguistic research with an eye toward big data. We believe the LAB website will be a 332 useful channel for all levels of researchers, from graduate students looking for experimental 333 stimuli to design their experiments, to the familiar investigator who wishes to dig deeper into 334 the diverse choices offered. Further, while the majority of publications occur in one particular journal, the LAB allows someone to find articles they may have missed in other areas with the advantage of being collected into one location. User-friendly search tools are 337 provided to aide in searching for specific languages, stimuli, or keywords, as well as multiple 338 outputs for easy copying into Excel or SPSS. While this article's statistics will become dated 339 with the updates to the LAB, dynamic tables and graphs are provided online to see the 340 current status of the field. Lastly, we encourage users to actively report errors and suggest 341 updates for the LAB dataset as a way to crowd source information that is surely missing, 342 especially in non-English languages. 343

In the introduction, we provided two examples of current megastudies (SUBTLEX and
the Lexicon projects), in addition to how researchers might collect big data through
Mechanical Turk or Twitter. This article focused on the breadth of the field to use the
information provided by publications as a window into the fluctuations of interest in areas.

Megastudies have become a prevalent topic, but data could have revealed that this popularity 348 was due to recent publication of a small subset of articles. Instead, analyses showed that not 349 only are the numbers of publications accumulating, but the sizes of datasets are also growing 350 in tandem. Megastudies specifically focus on large datasets, but big data can also be 351 indicated here by the divergence in languages available, number of places to publish such 352 data, and the increasing number of keywords for articles across years. Time will tell if these 353 trends can and will continue or if certain areas will see a confusion matrix type decline after 354 several large datasets are published. With the move of traditional lab experiments to 355 smartphone and tablet technology (Dufau et al., 2011), it seems likely that researchers in 356 psycholinguistics will continue to find new and creative ways to modernize the field. 357

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 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Table 1 \\ Stimuli \ Descriptive \ Statistics \\ \end{tabular}$ 

Stimuli	N	Percent	Min	Max	M	SD
Anagrams	6	0.8	80	378	229.00	210.72
Categories	31	4.0	4	240	43.41	47.25
Characters	21	2.7	48	46800000	2480334.00	10732577.13
Cloze/Sentences	35	4.5	5	1998	353.66	376.01
Color drawings	9	1.2	200	744	384.00	212.79
Homo/Heterographs	10	1.3	20	566	161.44	175.01
${\rm Homo/Heteronyms}$	5	0.6	114	578	343.75	251.45
Homo/Heterophones	3	0.4	40	207	148.00	93.66
Letters	56	7.2	9	8836	679.08	1578.86
Line drawings	42	5.4	22	520	243.83	132.15
Names	7	0.9	126	10000	2644.17	4080.78
Other	50	6.5	1	3061	720.89	924.46
Phonemes	4	0.5	10000	10000	10000.00	NA
Pictures	62	8.0	2	2941	417.45	468.68
Pseudowords	12	1.5	30	40481	12887.78	16115.13
Sounds	8	1.0	22	167	117.00	48.51
Syllables	9	1.2	33	140000	18129.00	49247.04
Symbols/Icons	5	0.6	68	600	308.75	222.26
Word Pairs	28	3.6	40	72186	8076.83	20871.25
Words	372	48.0	10	593000000	6964032.05	45996591.65

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Table 2 \\ Language \ Descriptive \ Statistics \\ \end{tabular}$ 

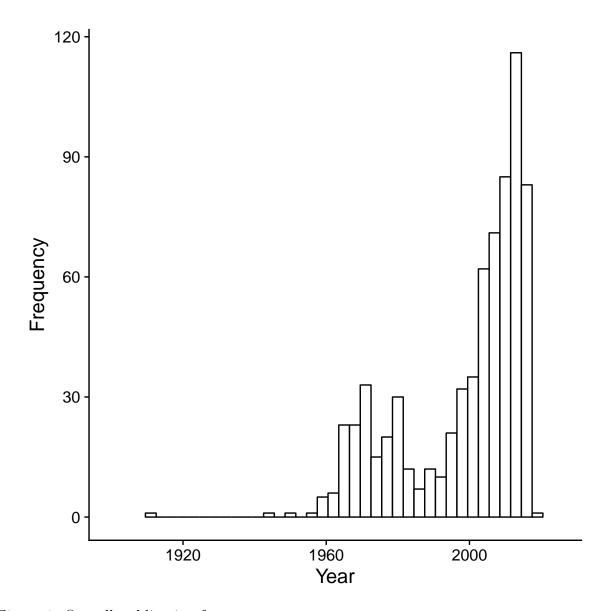
Language	N	Percent
British English	23	3.3
Chinese	25	3.5
Dutch	14	2.0
English	400	56.7
French	40	5.7
German	30	4.2
Greek	5	0.7
Italian	19	2.7
Japanese	12	1.7
Multiple	37	5.2
Other	32	4.5
Portuguese	15	2.1
Spanish	54	7.6

Table 3  $Tag\ Descriptive\ Statistics$ 

Stimuli	N	Percent	r
Age of Acquisition	100	5.3	.173
Ambiguity/Word Meaning	31	1.6	055
Arousal	54	2.8	.195
Association	85	4.5	322
Category	44	2.3	041
Cloze Probabilities	6	0.3	NA
Complexity	18	0.9	NA
Concreteness	67	3.5	.015
Confusion Matrices	18	0.9	NA
Distinctiveness	10	0.5	NA
Dominance	32	1.7	.069
Ease of Learning	5	0.3	NA
Familiarity	132	6.9	.164
Frequency	227	11.9	.033
Grapheme-Phoneme Correspondence	18	0.9	NA
Identification	16	0.8	NA
Identification - Lexical Decision	12	0.6	NA
Identification - Naming	48	2.5	.129
Image Agreement	20	1.1	NA
Image Variability	5	0.3	NA
Imageability	96	5.1	.077
Intensity	6	0.3	NA
Letters	62	3.3	.095
Meaningfulness	47	2.5	149
Modality	5	0.3	NA

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Table 4 \\ Tag \ Descriptive \ Statistics \ Continued \\ \end{tabular}$ 

Stimuli	N	Percent	r
Morphology	11	0.6	NA
Name Agreement	42	2.2	.103
Orthographic Neighborhood	50	2.6	.129
Part of Speech	59	3.1	.117
Phonemes	45	2.4	.115
Phonological Neighborhood	34	1.8	.128
Priming	6	0.3	NA
Pronunciation	16	0.8	NA
Response Times	67	3.5	.071
Recall	19	1.0	NA
Recognition	14	0.7	NA
Rime	5	0.3	NA
Semantics	92	4.8	.073
Sensory/Motor	34	1.8	.077
Sentence Completion	6	0.3	NA
Similarity	20	1.1	NA
Syllables	57	3.0	.173
Typicality	25	1.3	NA
Valence/Emotion	89	4.7	.152
Visual Complexity	36	1.9	.104
Word Completion	9	0.5	NA



 $Figure\ 1.\ {\it Overall\ publication\ frequency\ across\ years}.$ 

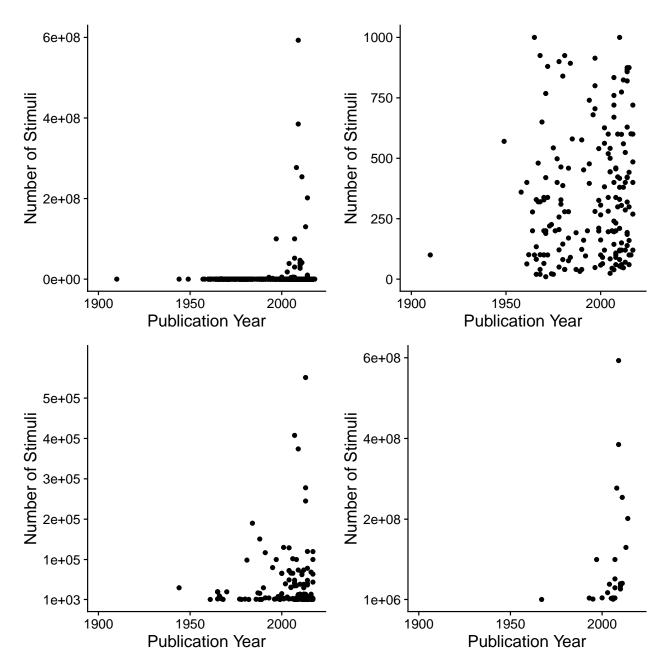


Figure 2. Number of word stimuli plotted across years. Top left quandrant includes all word stimuli. Top right quadrant includes word stimuli ranging up to 1000 words, bottom left quadrant portrays stimuli counts from 1000 to one million, and bottom right quadrant indicates all stimuli above one million. The x-axis is consistent across graphs, however, the y-axis is scaled for the range of stimuli targeted in that graph.

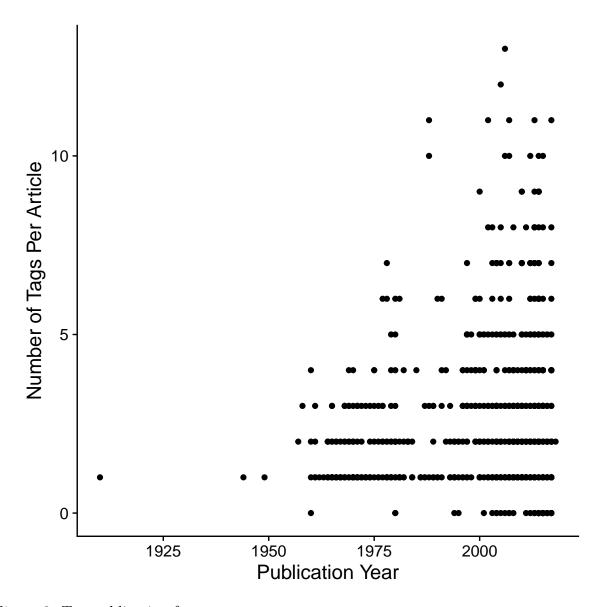


Figure 3. Tag publication frequency across years.