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Abstract

This article presents the Linguistic Annotated Bibliography (LAB) as a searchable web 16 portal to quickly and easily access reliable database norms, related programs, and variable 17 calculations. These publications were coded by language, number of stimuli, stimuli type 18 (i.e., words, pictures, symbols), keywords (i.e., frequency, semantics, valence), and other useful information. This tool not only allows researchers to search for the specific type of stimuli needed for experiments, but also permits the exploration of publication trends across 21 100 years of research. Details about the portal creation and use are outlined, as well as 22 various analyses of change in publication rates and keywords. In general, advances in 23 computational power have allowed for the increase in dataset size in the recent decades, in 24 addition to an increase in the number of linguistic variables provided in each publication. 25

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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 29 era of "big data" that has interesting implications for the field of psycholinguistics, as well as 30 other experimental areas that use normed stimuli for their research. Traditionally, stimuli 31 used for experimental psycholinguistics research were first normed through small in-house 32 pilot studies, which were then used in many subsequent projects. While economic, the 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 37 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), featural probability (Cree & McRae, 2003; McRae, {de Sa}, & Seidenberg, 1997; Pexman, Holyk, & Monfils, 2003), 41 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.

Big data has manifested in psycholinguistics over the last decade in the form of grant funded megastudies to collect and analyze large text corpora (i.e., the SUBTLEX projects) or to examine numerous word properties (i.e., the Lexicon projects). The SUBTLEX projects were designed to analyze frequency counts for concepts across 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; Kučera & Francis, 1967) were based on large one million+ word corpora, they were poor predictors of response latencies 55 (Balota et al., 2004; Brysbaert & New, 2009; Zevin & Seidenberg, 2002). Further, Brysbaert and New (2009) indicate the importance of corpus' characteristics for psycholinguistic 57 studies, as the underlying source of the text data matters (Internet versus subtitles), as well as the 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 mono- and 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., 2010), and British English (Keuleers et al., 2012). Similar lexical database publications can be found in the literature covering French (Lété, Sprenger-Charolles, & Colé, 2004), Italian (Barca, Burani, & Arduino, 2002), Arabic (Boudelaa & Marslen-Wilson, 2010), and Portuguese (Soares et al., 2014).

The availability of big data has augmented the psycholinguistic literature, but these 79 projects are certainly time consuming due to the amount of participant data required to 80 achieve reliable and stable norms. A solution to large data collection lies in several avenues 81 of easily obtainable data. First, Amazon's Mechanical Turk, an online crowd sourcing avenue 82 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; 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 87 Mechanical Turk, large amounts of data can be collected in shorter time periods than traditional experiments. Mechanical Turk has been used to collect data for semantic word pair norms (Buchanan, Holmes, Teasley, & Hutchison, 2013), age of acquisition ratings (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 setting up a special website (www.smallworldofwords.com) to gamify the collection of word pair association norms. 98

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 106 journals to Springer publications has improved journal visibility and user-friendly access, but 107 also has left a need for an indexed list of database publications that span multiple keywords 108 and journal websites. Other researchers have started a similar task, publishing the Language 109 Goldmine, an online searchable database of linguistic resources (List, Winter, & Wedel, n.d.). 110 Within the Language Goldmine, users can find over two-hundred citations for linguistic 111 resources, which are mostly corpora. This article extends that resource by: 1) presenting a 112 searchable, cataloged database of normed stimuli and related materials for a wide range of 113 experimental research, and 2) to examine trends in the publications of these articles to assess 114 the big data movement within cognitive psychology. 115

Website 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 using an embedded 123 Shiny application. Shiny is an open source graphical user interface R package that allows 124 researchers to build interactive web applications (Chang, Cheng, Allaire, Xie, & McPherson, 2017). These apps connect to the LAB database and display the current sample size N, 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, while this paper represents a static 129 point in the database development. The website includes more information on versioning of 130

the dataset for users to reference, along with instructions on how and what to contribute to the LAB.

Viewers can suggest articles that should be included in the dataset by using the online 133 Mendeley group at 134 https://www.mendeley.com/community/the-lab-linguistic-annotated-bibliography/ or using 135 the email link included in the top right corner of the website. Mendeley is free reference 136 software that allows for open source groups to collaborate on curating reference lists. 137 Additionally, we have provided a BibTex reference file that can be imported into most 138 reference software programs. The entire dataset can be viewed and filtered based on 139 keyword, language, and stimuli type. This search app allows for multiple filter options, so a 140 person may drill down into very specific search criteria. Underneath the search functions, yearly trend visualization and descriptive statistics may be found including frequency tables 142 of stimuli and keywords. Finally, the complete database in .csv format can be downloaded. Specific features will be outlined below in relation to the database creation.

# **Database Methods**

# 146 Materials

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Bradshaw (1984) and Proctor and Vu (1999)'s lists of database information were used as starting points for collection of research articles. We searched Academic Search Premier, PsycInfo, and ERIC through the EBSCO host system, as well as Google Scholar and PLoS One to find other relevant articles using the following keywords: corpus, linguistic database, linguistic norms, norms, and database. Additionally, since a large number of the original articles were hosted by the Psychonomic Society, the Springer website was searched with these terms that covered the newer editions of Behavior Research Methods and Memory & Cognition. We then filtered for articles that met the following criteria: 1) contained database

information as supplemental material, 2) demonstrated programs related to building research stimuli using normed databases, or 3) generated new calculations of lexical variables. 156 Research articles that used normed databases in experimental design or tested those 157 variables validity/reliability were excluded if they did not include new database information. 158 Additional articles were found while coding initial publications by searching citations for 150 stimuli selection. For example, the Snodgrass and Vanderwart (1980) norms were cited in 160 multiple newer articles on line drawings, and therefore this article was subsequently entered 161 into the database. Last, we consulted the Language Goldmine and included all citations 162 from this resource that could still be accessed (List et al., n.d.). At the time of writing, 884 163 articles, books, websites, and technical reports were included in the following analyses.

#### Coding Procedure 165

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The tables with summaries from Bradshaw (1984) and Proctor and Vu (1999) were 166 consulted for a starting point for data coding. Next, the first round of articles found 167 (approximately 100) were analyzed to determine information that would be pertinent to a 168 user who wished to search for normed stimuli. Based on these reviews and lab discussions, 169 we coded the following information from each article: 1) journal information, 2) stimuli 170 types, 3) stimuli language, 4) programs or corpus name, 5) keywords, which we refer to as 171 tags, 6) special populations, and 7) other notes that did not fit into those categories. Each 172 piece of information is detailed below. In some instances, codes were not used as frequently 173 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 175 the database.

**Journal Information.** Each article was coded with the citation information, and a complete list of citations can be found on the website portal by going to the search data 178 section. All author last names are listed, along with publication year, article title, journal

title, volume, page numbers, and digital object identifier (DOI) when available. This
information is listed in citation format in the Shiny app and separated into columns in the
downloadable data for easier sorting and searching. A complete list of publication sources
and percentages can be found online by using the frequency statistics link.

Stimuli Types. While this publication was originally intended for traditional 184 linguistic database norms, other types of experimental stimuli used in concept studies were 185 apparent after background review. Therefore, stimuli were coded based on the dominant 186 description from the article (i.e., although heteronyms are words and word pairs, they were 187 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 190 many articles included two types of stimuli, or references to different articles where stimuli 191 were selected from, two options for stimuli were included. Therefore, the total values for 192 number of stimuli do not add up to the number of articles in the database because of 193 multiple instances in articles or no stimuli for program descriptions. Table 1 includes a 194 stimuli list, the number of times that each stimuli was used, percentage of the total stimuli 195 codes, the mean and standard deviation of the number of those stimuli, minimum, and 196 maximum. Brief variable descriptions are provided online under variable tables. Researchers 197 often cited specific previous works where stimuli were selected from, and these references 198 were included, which can be found in the downloaded data. Table 1 is included dynamically 199 online under "view the variable table" and "view the frequency table". 200

Stimuli Language. The language of the stimuli set was coded by starting with the most common languages from the first articles surveyed, and others were added as it was apparent that several norms were present for that language (such as Japanese, Dutch, and Greek). A multiple category was created for for datasets with more than one set of language norms, with more information about the languages available provided in the notes column. If

the stimuli were non-linguistic selections, like pictures and line drawings, the language of the 206 participants used to norm the set was used, which was commonly English. In order to help 207 distinguish these norms, a column was added that denoted non-linguistic norms (coded as 0 208 for linguistic, 1 for non-linguistic). For each language, the Glottolog codes were added in a 209 separate column to help identify them (Hammarstrom, Forkel, & Haspelmath, 2018). One 210 potential limitation of the LAB was that English is the first language for the authors; 211 however, translation tools were used to code sources found in other languages. Table 2 212 indicates language frequencies and percentages, and the online version can be found by 213 clicking the view frequency statistics link. 214

**Program/corpus name.** In many instances, megastudies are often named, such as 215 the English Lexicon Project (Balota et al., 2007), for easier reference. This information was 216 included in the in the dataset, which will also help researchers with the stimuli references as 217 described above. For example, a newer study may reference using the BOSS database 218 (Brodeur, Dionne-Dostie, Montreuil, & Lepage, 2010) and having that information would 219 make searching for the original article easier by using the corpus name column (especially in 220 instances the dataset name is not listed in the article title). The names of programs or tools 221 were also entered, such as NIM (Guasch, Boada, Ferré, & Sánchez-Casas, 2013), a newer 222 stimuli selection tool for psycholinguistic studies. 223

Keyword Tags. Keyword tags are the majority of the database, as they allow for
the best understanding of trends and availability of stimuli. Table 2 portrays a list of tags,
frequencies, percentages, and correlations (described below). Tag descriptions are provided
online under variable table. Each article was coded with tags based on the description of the
accessible data, and one article may have multiple tags. However, due to the cumulative
nature of database research, this tagging system does not mean that each article collected
that particular type of data. The most common example of this distinction occurs when data
was combined across sources, but presented in a new article. The Maki, McKinley, and

Thompson (2004) semantic distance norms also included values from the South Florida Free
Association norms (Nelson, McEvoy, & Schreiber, 2004), and Latent Semantic Analysis
(Landauer & Dumais, 1997). Therefore, this article was coded with association and
semantics, even though the association norms were not collected in that paper. As described
above, some small frequency tags were used because of the initial pass through newer
articles, but these were left in the database because of their specificity, and they can be used
in future additions.

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

### 2 Journals

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Journal results, unsurprisingly, show that the wealth of data was published in *Behavior*Research Methods (57.6% combined across name changes). However, a large number of

articles also appeared in Psychonomic Monograph Supplements (2.1%), Journal of Verbal

Learning and Verbal Behavior (1.7%), Psychonomic Science (1.7%), Journal of Experimental Psychology (combined across subjournals, 2.5%), Perception & Psychophysics (1.5%), 257 Memory & Cognition (1.4%), Bulletin of the Psychonomic Society (0.8%), and Norms of 258 Word Association (0.9%; Postman & Keppel, 1970). The complete list can be found in the 259 frequency statistics online, as there were 129 different entries for journals, books, and 260 websites of publications. While some of these sources were not published with peer review, 261 they were generally found through citations of other peer-reviewed work. Although Behavior 262 Research Methods has dominated the field for publications, the large array of options for 263 publishing indicates a growth in the available avenues for researchers in this field (for 264 example, open source journals such as *PLoS ONE* and websites). 265

Figure 1 portrays the number of publications across years, and there has been a clear 266 expansion of database and program papers, as part of the growth in big data. Interestingly, 267 a first growth of publications tracks with the 1950s cognitive revolution (Miller, 2003), but 268 an odd decline in publications occurred from the 1970s to 1990s. The last twenty years has 260 shown unbelievable progress in this area, at over 359 publications since 2010 alone. This 270 chart can be found in greater detail online, under the Papers Per Year link, showing the ups 271 and downs of publications by year in a larger format with the ability to control year range. For example, 2004, 2010, 2013-2015, and 2017 were big years for linguistic publications, each 273 with 30 or more publications. Even with these fluctuations, a clear growth curve in publications can be found since the 90s.

Stimuli. Stimuli are presented in Table 2, and a review of this table indicated that
the publication of word stimuli was slightly under half the dataset (43.9%), which has quite
a large range of quantity of stimuli from only ten words to a large corpus of over 500 million
words. The wide range of data includes these corpora materials, but there are very large
word norming projects outside of the corpora included in the LAB. Other types of word
stimuli also appear commonly in the LAB data such as categories, letters, and word pairs.

Because linguistic data was of particular interest, we selected publications based on words and word pairs, and plotted the number of stimuli presented in the paper to examine big 283 data trends. These data were broken down by set size in Figure 2. The upper left hand 284 quadrant shows all stimuli across years, and the big data publications stand out in the last 285 fifteen years of publications. This data was then further broken down into small datasets 286 (<1,000 stimuli; upper right quadrant), medium datasets (1,000 - 1,000,000 stimuli; bottom)287 left quadrant), and large datasets (1.000.000+, lower right quadrant; although there is a 288 large jump between medium and large as most data is either half million or less or a million 289 or more). The small dataset graph shows that these publications are common across time, 290 while the bottom two quadrants are more telling for the megastudies trend investigation. As 291 with languages and tags (below), we see an increase in the number of medium and very large 292 datasets across the years where the lone large dataset outlier in the early years is the Brown 293 Corpus (Kučera & Francis, 1967).

The variety and number of languages for stimuli provided a picture of 295 the growth and diversity of psycholinguistic stimuli, as seen in Table 2. A growing number of 296 articles include non-English languages including Portuguese (2.0%), Spanish (6.9%), French 297 (5.2%), German (4.2%), and even include multiple languages (9.7%). To examine trends, 298 the English only articles were filtered out of the dataset since they were the majority of 299 publications (53.2%) and were published across all years present in this data. Of the 389 300 non-English publications, 86 included multiple languages, and NA of these were published 301 after 2010. Additionally, the last ten years (2008 and later) have seen an explosion of 302 publications in non-English languages: 256, with 32 in 2017 alone. The publication of varied 303 languages is still largely from WEIRD cultures (Western Educated Industrialized Rich 304 Democratic; Henrich, Heine, & Norenzayan, 2010) and Indo-European languages, thus, 305 indicating room for cross linguistic improvement. 306

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 314 plotted in Figure 3 to visualize if the number of variables included in a study has grown over 315 time (M = 2.45, SD = 2.30). The correlation between total tags and year was r = .17, 95%316 CI [.10, .23], t(843) = 4.90, p < .001, indicating a small increase in total tags used over time. 317 Even considering the larger number of publications in the 2000s versus 1950s to 1970s, it 318 appeared that the number of keywords for articles was also slowly growing over time. This 319 trend may indicate the evolution in computing possibilities to be able to publish large 320 amounts of data, but also may indicate a desire to combine datasets so that even more 321 stimuli may be considered at once for modeling or experiment creation. 322

Next, tags with at least thirty publications were investigated individually for trends 323 across time (correlations presented in Tables 3 and 4). Individual histograms can be created 324 by clicking on the Tags Per Year link online, which show the total frequency of the selected 325 tag by year. Some small positive trends were found, such as the increase in arousal, age of 326 acquisition, syllables, familiarity, and valence norms. Intriguingly, meaningfulness and association both showed negative correlations, but these correlations can be understood as an artifact of the publication of a book on association norms in the 1970s (Postman & 329 Keppel, 1970), as well as a recent drop off of in the small but steady use of meaningfulness. 330 These small correlations may partially be explained by the sheer number and variation of 331 data available in the LAB portal, as one would expect the number of frequency tags to 332

increase with the recent SUBTLEX publications. Indeed, if the frequency tags were plotted 333 by year an increase across the last decade (16 in 2010 and 2013, and 21 in 2014) can be 334 found. Readers are encouraged to view the individual graphs for tags to investigate the 335 change of keyword publication over time, including the rise and demise of several research 336 areas. For example, confusion matrices heyday appeared to range from the early 70s to the 337 mid 80s, while arousal norms do not make a consistent appearance until the late 90s. 338

Conclusion 339

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This article had two main purposes: 1) to present the LAB dataset and portal as an 340 annotated bibliography and searchable tool for researchers, and 2) to view trends in 341 psycholinguistic research with an eye toward big data. We believe the LAB website will be a 342 useful channel for all levels of researchers, from graduate students looking for experimental 343 stimuli to design their experiments, to the familiar investigator who wishes to dig deeper into 344 the diverse choices offered. The Language Goldmine presents a similar resource, but the 345 advantage to the LAB is the breadth of publications coded, as well as the coding schema 346 that allowed for investigation of individual trends in publication. While the majority of publications occur in one particular journal, the LAB allows someone to find articles they 348 may have missed in other areas with the advantage of being collected into one location. User-friendly search tools are provided to aide in searching for specific languages, stimuli, or keywords, as well as multiple outputs for easy copying into Excel or SPSS. While this article's statistics will become dated with the updates to the LAB, dynamic tables and 352 graphs are provided online to see the current status of the field. Lastly, we encourage users 353 to actively report errors and suggest updates for the LAB dataset as a way to crowd source 354 information that is surely missing, especially in non-English languages. 355

In the introduction, we provided two examples of current megastudies (SUBTLEX and 356 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 358 information provided by publications as a window into the fluctuations of interest in areas. 359 Megastudies have become a prevalent topic, but data could have revealed that this popularity 360 was due to recent publication of a small subset of articles. Instead, analyses showed that not 361 only are the numbers of publications accumulating, but the sizes of datasets are also growing 362 in tandem. Megastudies specifically focus on large datasets, but big data can also be 363 indicated here by the divergence in languages available, number of places to publish such 364 data, and the increasing number of keywords for articles across years. Time will tell if these 365 trends can and will continue or if certain areas will see a confusion matrix type decline after 366 several large datasets are published. With the move of traditional lab experiments to 367 smartphone and tablet technology (Dufau et al., 2011), it seems likely that researchers in 368 psycholinguistics will continue to find new and creative ways to modernize the field.

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

Stimuli	N	Percent	Min	Max	M	SD
Anagrams	6	0.7	80	378	229.00	210.72
Categories	33	3.9	4	240	46.32	51.61
Characters	21	2.5	48	80651	8458.37	19210.92
Cloze/Sentences	35	4.1	5	1998	353.66	376.01
Color drawings	9	1.1	200	744	384.00	212.79
Homo/Heterographs	11	1.3	20	566	165.00	165.38
Homo/Heteronyms	5	0.6	114	578	343.75	251.45
Homo/Heterophones	4	0.5	40	207	148.00	93.66
Letters	57	6.7	9	8836	669.88	1564.37
Line drawings	43	5.1	22	520	253.79	132.09
Names	8	0.9	126	10000	2644.17	4080.78
Other	84	9.9	1	3061	666.13	876.87
Phonemes	9	1.1	10000	10000	10000.00	NA
Pictures	74	8.7	2	2941	431.26	480.61
Pseudowords	15	1.8	30	40481	14004.36	15223.04
Sounds	15	1.8	22	2159	462.58	672.79
Syllables	11	1.3	20	303636	44868.80	100922.91
Symbols/Icons	9	1.1	68	600	294.60	195.07
Word Pairs	28	3.3	40	72186	8076.83	20871.25
Words	374	43.9	10	33500000	115731.45	1843018.04

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

Language	N	Percent
Arabic	8	0.9
British English	25	2.8
Chinese	33	3.7
Dutch	18	2.0
English	470	53.2
French	46	5.2
German	37	4.2
Greek	6	0.7
Italian	20	2.3
Japanese	14	1.6
Multiple	86	9.7
Polish	6	0.7
Portuguese	18	2.0
Russian	6	0.7
Spanish	61	6.9

Note. Languages with less than five lines were excluded for publication space purposes.

Table 3  $Tag\ Descriptive\ Statistics$ 

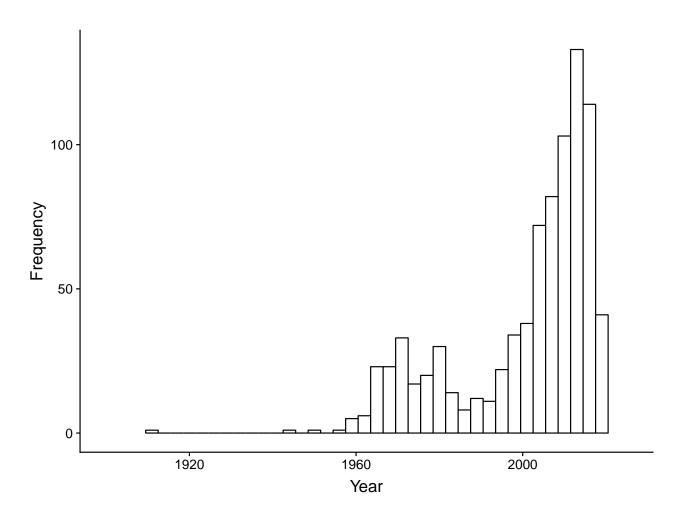
Stimuli	N	Percent	r
Accuracy	10	0.5	NA
Age of Acquisition	107	4.9	.134
Ambiguity/Word Meaning	31	1.4	076
Arousal	62	2.9	.173
Association	86	4.0	336
Category	48	2.2	068
Cloze Probabilities	7	0.3	NA
Complexity	22	1.0	NA
Concreteness	73	3.4	.001
Confusion Matrices	18	0.8	NA
Context	14	0.6	NA
Distinctiveness	10	0.5	NA
Dominance	33	1.5	.045
Ease of Learning	5	0.2	NA
Familiarity	141	6.5	.116
Frequency	252	11.6	.005
Grapheme-Phoneme Correspondence	18	0.8	NA
Identification	17	0.8	NA
Identification - Lexical Decision	16	0.7	NA
Identification - Naming	50	2.3	.098
Image Agreement	24	1.1	NA
Image Variability	10	0.5	NA
Imageability	95	4.4	.023
Intensity	8	0.4	NA
Letters	70	3.2	.081

Note. Correlation refers to the correlation between

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

Stimuli	N	Percent	r
Meaningfulness	48	2.2	162
Modality	6	0.3	NA
Morphology	24	1.1	NA
Name Agreement	47	2.2	.090
Orthographic Neighborhood	56	2.6	.112
Part of Speech	67	3.1	.095
Phonemes	62	2.9	.126
Phonological Neighborhood	38	1.8	.111
Priming	7	0.3	NA
Pronunciation	16	0.7	NA
Response Times	78	3.6	.069
Recall	19	0.9	NA
Recognition	18	0.8	NA
Rime	5	0.2	NA
Semantics	109	5.0	.056
Sensory/Motor	39	1.8	.071
Sentence Completion	6	0.3	NA
Similarity	21	1.0	NA
Syllables	64	3.0	.148
Syntax	23	1.1	NA
Typicality	25	1.2	NA
Valence/Emotion	115	5.3	.156
Visual Complexity	40	1.8	.090
Word Completion	9	0.4	NA

Note. Correlation refers to the correlation between publication year and the frequency of a given tag.



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

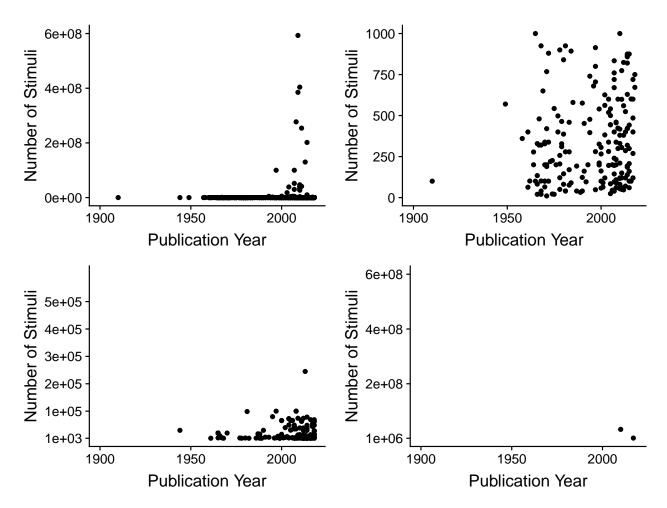


Figure 2. Number of word stimuli plotted across years. Top left quandrant includes all word stimuli. Top right quadrant includes word stimuli ranging up to 1000 words, bottom left quadrant portrays stimuli counts from 1000 to one million, and bottom right quadrant indicates all stimuli above one million.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

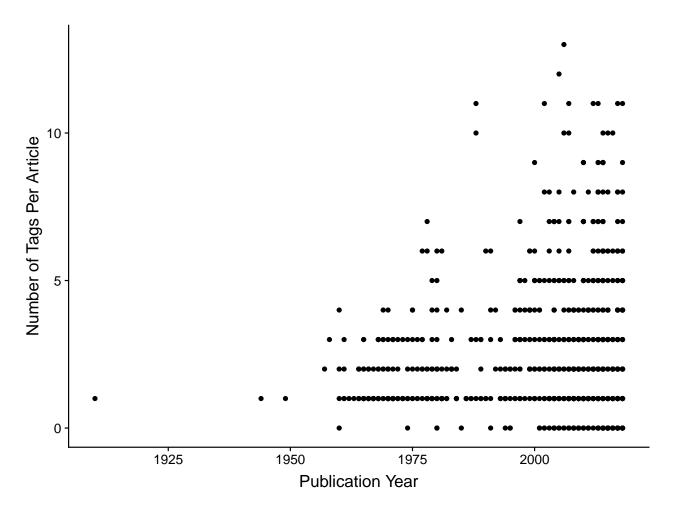


Figure 3. Tag publication frequency across years.