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clean\_agents\_data

Clean agent-level data for a given year

#### **Description**

Downloads, merges, and processes agent-level insurance data for the specified year. Combines revenue draws, calibrated yields, and RMA reference data, computes premium/subsidy measures, and saves the cleaned dataset as an RDS file.

## Usage

```
clean_agents_data(
   year,
   cleaned_rma_sobtpu_file_path = "data/cleaned_rma_sobtpu.rds",
   cleaned_rma_sco_and_eco_adm_file_path = "data/cleaned_rma_sco_and_eco_adm.rds",
   output_directory = "data/cleaned_agents_data"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
year Integer. Commodity year to process (e.g., 2015).

cleaned_rma_sobtpu_file_path
Path to cleaned RMA SOB/TPU RDS file. Default: "data-raw/data/cleaned_rma_sobtpu.rds".

cleaned_rma_sco_and_eco_adm_file_path
Path to cleaned RMA SCO & ECO admin RDS file. Default: "data-raw/data/cleaned_rma_sco_a
```

output\_directory

Directory to save output RDS file. Created if missing. Default: "data-raw/data/cleaned\_agents\_c

## Value

Returns the input year on success, with attributes for save\_path and number of rows. Returns NULL on error.

#### Note

Requires data.table, access to GitHub-hosted RDS files, and the helper function get\_compressed\_adm().

```
clean_rma_sco_and_eco_adm

Build SCO/ECO/Area ADM table for a given year (adds SCO88/SCO90)
```

## Description

Downloads yearly ADM fragments from GitHub Releases for *Supplemental SCO*, *Supplemental ECO*, and *Area* plans, aggregates key parameters by common grouping keys, linearly interpolates SCO rates to 88% and 90% (using AYP and, for years >= 2021, ECO anchors), and returns the cleaned, stacked table.

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#### Usage

```
clean_rma_sco_and_eco_adm(year)
```

#### **Arguments**

year

Integer. commodity year (e.g., 2022).

#### Value

A data.table containing original SCO/ECO/Area ADM rows plus synthesized **SCO88** (insurance\_plan\_code + 10) and **SCO90** (insurance\_plan\_code + 20) rows with non-invalid base\_rate.

#### Note

Requires internet access. Missing plan files for a year are skipped silently.

clean\_rma\_sobtpu

Clean and enrich RMA Summary of Business (SOB) data

## Description

Processes RMA Summary of Business (SOB) data to produce an analysis-ready dataset with aggregated core insurance metrics and **shares** of Supplemental Coverage Option (SCO) and Enhanced Coverage Option (ECO) by coverage level.

#### Usage

```
clean_rma_sobtpu(study_env = setup_environment(), output_directory = "data")
```

## **Arguments**

study\_env

A list-like environment produced by setup\_environment() that must include year\_beg and year\_end (inclusive integers). Defaults to setup\_environment().

output\_directory

Character string specifying the directory where the processed .rds file should be saved. Defaults to "data". The file will be named "cleaned\_rma\_sobtpu.rds".

#### Details

The output file will be written to file.path(output\_directory, "cleaned\_rma\_sobtpu.rds"). The directory is created if it does not exist.

## Value

A character message describing the processed year range and number of output rows; the main side effect is writing an .rds file to disk.

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setup\_environment

Setup Project Environment

#### **Description**

Loads project settings, creates working directories (both under a fast scratch area and in the project), sets useful options(), fixes the RNG seed, and stores the analysis year range.

## Usage

```
setup_environment(
  year_beg = 2015,
  year_end = 2024,
  seed = 1980632,
  fastscratch_root = NULL
)
```

## **Arguments**

year\_beg Integer. Beginning year of the analysis (default: 2015).

year\_end Integer. Ending year of the analysis (default: 2024).

seed Integer. Random seed for reproducibility (default: 1980632).

fastscratch\_root

Optional character. Root directory where intermediate files from simulations and estimations will be written for later aggregation. If NULL, it is set automatically based on the operating system:

- Windows: "C:/fastscratch"
- Linux/macOS: "/fastscratch/<username>"

#### **Details**

Creates these directories (if absent):

- Fast scratch tree (for large, intermediate outputs): <fastscratch\_root>/HiddenSafetynet2025/output/ with subfolders sims, expected, draw\_farm, draw\_cost.
- Project-local (for smaller, version-controlled artifacts): data/, data/output/, data/cleaned\_agents\_data/.

#### Sets:

- options(scipen = 999)
- options(future.globals.maxSize = 8 \* 1024^3) (= 8 GiB)
- options(dplyr.summarise.inform = FALSE)
- set.seed(seed)

Requires the packages future.apply, rfcip, data.table, and rfcipCalcPass.

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## Value

A list with:

```
wd Named list of working directories (fastscratch root and subfolders).year_beg Starting year (integer).year_end Ending year (integer).
```

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