CCES

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Variable Selection

This is CCES 2016, which is short for cooperative congressional election survey. This is a high-quality survey with large-N subjects. Comparing with the previous ANES survey, this one has fewer missing points.

```
# Data is CCES 2016, download directly online, takes sometime.
# https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataset.xhtml?persistentId=doi%3A10.7910/DVN/GDF6Z0
load(url("https://dataverse.harvard.edu/api/access/datafile/3004425?format=RData&gbrecs=true"))
```

Some variables of interest

Possible DV

```
#Post test: did you vote in 2016 election
table(x$CC16_401)
## I did not vote in the election this November.
##
                                              1802
## I thought about voting this time - but didn't
##
##
           I usually vote, but didn't this time.
##
   I attempted to vote but did not or could not.
##
##
##
     I definitely voted in the General Election.
##
                                             45292
##
                                           Skipped
##
                                                 0
##
                                         Not Asked
##
                                                 0
#Pre test: dod you intend to vote in 2016
table(x$CC16_364)
##
##
                        Yes, definitely
                                                                     Probably
##
                                   49805
                                                                          4828
## I already voted (early or absentee)
                                                                            No
##
                                   1521
                                                                          5211
##
                              Undecided
                                                                      Skipped
##
                                   3123
                                                                             0
##
                              Not Asked
##
                                       0
```

```
#Post: who did you vote for in 2016
table(x$CC16_410a)
##
##
                                      Hillary Clinton (Democrat)
       Donald Trump (Republican)
##
##
                                              Jill Stein (Green)
       Gary Johnson (Libertarian)
##
##
                            Other I didn't vote in this election
##
                             1136
##
                                     Evan McMullin (Independent)
                     I'm not sure
##
                              229
                                                              163
##
                          Skipped
                                                        Not Asked
##
#Pre test: did you register to vote
table(x$votereg)
##
                                       Skipped Not Asked
##
                      No Don't know
          Yes
##
        57066
                    6677
                                857
                                             0
#Pre test: Did you register to vote in District 'x'?
table(x$votereg_f)
##
                         Skipped Not Asked
##
##
       54427
                  2640
                               0
#Post test: Did you register to vote?
table(x$votereg_f_post)
##
##
         Yes
                         Skipped Not Asked
##
        1161
                   116
                               0
#Post test: did you register to vote in District 'x'?
table(x$votereg post)
##
##
          Yes
                      No Don't know
                                       Skipped Not Asked
##
        48885
                    3735
                                279
                                             0
Possible Inpenedent Variables
#----
#demographics
#gender: male female
table(x$gender)
##
##
       Male
                Female
                         Skipped Not Asked
                 35069
##
       29531
                               0
```

```
#highest education
table(x$educ)
##
##
                  No HS High school graduate
                                                       Some college
##
                    1971
                                                               15685
                                         16381
##
                  2-year
                                        4-year
                                                          Post-grad
##
                    7169
                                         14884
                                                                8510
##
                Skipped
                                    Not Asked
##
                       0
#race
table(x$race)
##
##
             White
                              Black
                                            Hispanic
                                                                Asian
             46289
                                                                 2278
##
                               7926
                                                5238
## Native American
                              Mixed
                                               Other
                                                      Middle Eastern
##
               522
                               1452
                                                 760
                                                                  135
##
           Skipped
                          Not Asked
##
#hispanic: are you hispanic or decents?
table(x$hispanic)
##
                          Skipped Not Asked
##
         Yes
                    No
##
        2257
                  56893
                                0
#hispanic origin
# - No country in particular
table(x$Hispanic_origin_1)
##
##
         Yes
                          Skipped Not Asked
                     No
          93
                  7456
# - United States
table(x$Hispanic_origin_2)
##
##
                          Skipped Not Asked
         Yes
                    No
##
        2780
                   4769
# - Mexico
table(x$Hispanic_origin_3)
##
##
         Yes
                     No
                          Skipped Not Asked
##
        2804
                   4745
# - Puerto Rico
table(x$Hispanic_origin_4)
##
##
                          Skipped Not Asked
         Yes
                    No
##
        1186
                  6363
                                0
```

```
# - Cuba
table(x$Hispanic_origin_5)
##
##
                          Skipped Not Asked
         Yes
         471
##
                  7078
                                0
# - Dominican Republic
table(x$Hispanic_origin_6)
##
##
                          Skipped Not Asked
         217
##
                  7332
                                0
# - South Amercica
table(x$Hispanic_origin_7)
##
##
         Yes
                          Skipped Not Asked
##
         619
                  6930
                                0
# - Central America
table(x$Hispanic_origin_8)
##
                          Skipped Not Asked
##
         Yes
##
         344
                                0
                  7205
# - Spain
table(x$Hispanic_origin_9)
##
                          Skipped Not Asked
##
         Yes
                    No
##
          77
                  7472
                                0
#marriage
table(x$marstat)
##
                Married
                                    Separated
##
                                                           Divorced
##
                  34495
##
                Widowed
                                       Single Domestic partnership
                                        16550
##
                    2928
##
                                    Not Asked
                Skipped
##
table(x$birthyr)
##
##
     Skipped Not Asked
#???table(x$age4)
#education
table(x$educ)
##
##
                  No HS High school graduate
                                                       Some college
```

##	1971	16381	15685
##	2-year	4-year	Post-grad
##	7169	14884	8510
##	Skipped	Not Asked	
##	0	0	

#state

table(x\$inputstate)

##		
##	Alabama	Alaska
##	792	115
##	Arizona	Arkansas
##	1507	538
##	California	Colorado
##	6021	1022
##	Connecticut	Delaware
##	732	267
##	District of Columbia	Florida
##	192	4988
##	Georgia	Hawaii
##	2062	200
##	Idaho	Illinois
##	326	2634
##	Indiana	Iowa
##	1397	688
##	Kansas	Kentucky
##	541	933 Main a
## ##	Louisiana 689	Maine 329
##	Maryland	Massachusetts
##	1200	riassaciiusetts 1442
##	Michigan	Minnesota
##	2110	1083
##	Mississippi	Missouri
##	409	1309
##	Montana	Nebraska
##	191	370
##	Nevada	New Hampshire
##	695	376
##	New Jersey	New Mexico
##	1831	383
##	New York	North Carolina
##	4320	2004
##	North Dakota	Ohio
##	126	2698
##	Oklahoma	Oregon
##	624	1022
##	Pennsylvania	Rhode Island
## ##	3524	212 South Dakota
##	South Carolina 857	South Dakota 167
##	Tennessee	Texas
##	1215	4462
##	Utah	Vermont
ππ	Otan	AGIMONG

```
531
##
                                                               132
                         Virginia
                                                       Washington
##
                              2008
                                                              1444
##
##
                    West Virginia
                                                        Wisconsin
##
                                                              1354
                                                   American Samoa
##
                          Wyoming
  Federated States of Micronesia
                                                              Guam
##
                 Marshall Islands
                                         Northern Mariana Islands
##
##
                             Palau
                                                       Puerto Rico
##
##
      U.S. Minor Outlying Islands
                                                   Virgin Islands
##
##
                           Alberta
                                                 British Columbia
##
                         Manitoba
                                                    New Brunswick
##
##
                     Newfoundland
                                            Northwest Territories
##
##
##
                      Nova Scotia
                                                           Nunavut
##
                                 0
                           Ontario
                                             Prince Edward Island
##
##
                                 0
##
                            Quebec
                                                      Saskatchewan
##
                  Yukon Territory
                                        Not in the U.S. or Canada
##
##
                                                         Not Asked
                           Skipped
##
                                                                 0
#region
table(x$region)
## 
#party ID
table(x$CC16_360)
##
  No Party, Independent, Decline to state
                                      15980
##
##
                          Democratic Party
##
                                      24084
                          Republican Party
##
                                      15908
##
                                      Other
##
                                       1021
##
                                    Skipped
##
                                          0
##
                                  Not Asked
##
#employment status
table(x$employ)
```

```
##
##
             Full-time
                                Part-time Temporarily laid off
##
                 27908
                                      6956
                                  Retired Permanently disabled
##
            Unemployed
##
                  3583
                                     12860
                                                           3854
##
             Homemaker
                                   Student
                                                          Other
                 4852
                                      2961
##
                                                           1191
##
               Skipped
                                 Not Asked
##
```

#employment sectors

table(x\$industryclass)

ш
Agricultur
Agricultur # 57
Forestr
11
Fishing and Huntin
10
Minin
13
Utilitie
74
Construction
241
Manufacturin
415
Wholesale Trad
71
Retail Trad
509
Transportation and Warehousin
230
Information
174
Finance and Insuranc
277-
Real Estate and Rental and Leasin
92
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Service # 442
Management of Companies and Enterprise
ranagement of companies and interprise
Administrative and Suppor
342
Waste Management and Remediation Service
14
Education Service
532
Health Care and Social Assistanc
553
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation
164
Hotel Accommodation and Food Service

```
2342
##
      Other Services (except Public Administration)
##
##
##
                                Public Administration
##
                                                  1916
##
                                               Skipped
##
##
                                            Not Asked
##
#homeowner
table(x$ownhome)
##
##
         Own
                   Rent
                            Other
                                     Skipped Not Asked
##
       40682
                  20859
                              2981
                                           0
#party id
table(x$pid3)
##
##
      Democrat Republican Independent
                                                Other
                                                         Not sure
                                                                       Skipped
##
         24881
                      15300
                                   18238
                                                 2379
                                                              3782
                                                                              0
##
     Not Asked
##
table(x$pid7)
##
                                  Not very strong Democrat
##
              Strong Democrat
##
                         16251
                                                       8618
##
                 Lean Democrat
                                                Independent
                          6270
##
                                                      10493
##
              Lean Republican Not very strong Republican
##
                                                       6814
                          5554
##
            Strong Republican
                                                   Not sure
                                                       2067
##
                          8479
##
                                                  Not Asked
                       Skipped
##
                                                           0
                              0
#immigration status
table(x$immstat)
##
##
       Immigrant Citizen Immigrant non-citizen
                                                       First generation
##
                     4233
                                             1368
                                                                    6136
##
       Second generation
                                Third generation
                                                                 Skipped
##
                    12582
                                            40123
                                                                       0
##
               Not Asked
##
#religion category
table(x$relignew)
##
##
                   Protestant
                                          Roman Catholic
##
                        22888
                                                    13880
```

Mormon Eastern or Greek Orthodox

##

```
870
                                                     362
##
##
                       Jewish
                                                  Muslim
                         1546
                                                     436
##
##
                    Buddhist
                                                   Hindu
##
                          621
                                                     299
##
                      Atheist
                                                Agnostic
##
                         4025
                                                    3993
##
       Nothing in particular
                                         Something else
                        11986
##
                                                    3621
##
                      Skipped
                                               Not Asked
##
#religious
table(x$pew_religimp)
##
##
         Very important
                           Somewhat important
                                                  Not too important
                  23864
                                        17275
                                                                9998
## Not at all important
                                      Skipped
                                                          Not Asked
                   13429
#family income
table(x$faminc)
##
##
     Less than $10,000
                          $10,000 - $19,999
                                               $20,000 - $29,999
##
                  2835
                                       4542
                                                             6459
##
     $30,000 - $39,999
                          $40,000 - $49,999
                                               $50,000 - $59,999
##
                  6609
                                       5760
                                                            5764
                          $70,000 - $79,999
##
     $60,000 - $69,999
                                               $80,000 - $99,999
##
                   4490
                                       4688
                                                             5661
##
   $100,000 - $119,999 $120,000 - $149,999 $150,000 - $199,999
##
                   4056
                                       3572
                                                             1859
##
   $200,000 - $249,999 $250,000 - $349,999 $350,000 - $499,999
##
                    825
                                        439
                                                              181
##
      $500,000 or more
                           $150,000 or more
                                               Prefer not to say
##
                    177
                                        162
                                                             6500
##
                                  Not Asked
               Skipped
##
Attitudes variables
#in the last year, the national economy has gotten
table(x$CC16_302)
##
```

```
##
      Gotten much better
                                  Gotten better Stayed about the same
##
                     3286
                                           16472
                                                                  21840
##
            Gotten worse
                              Gotten much worse
                                                               Not sure
##
                    14889
                                            5978
                                                                   2018
##
                  Skipped
                                      Not Asked
                        0
##
                                               0
#in the last year, the household income has gotten
table(x$CC16_303)
```

```
##
##
         Increased a lot
                             Increased somewhat Stayed about the same
##
                    4470
                                           19622
                                                                  24424
##
      Decreased somewhat
                                Decreased a lot
                                                               Skipped
##
                    10655
                                           5357
                                                                      0
##
               Not Asked
##
#In the next few years, the national economy will
table(x$CC16 304)
##
##
       Get much better Get somewhat better Stay about the same
##
                  3138
                                      15037
                                                           19221
##
    Get somewhat worse
                             Get much worse
                                                        Not sure
                                                           10104
##
                  11751
                                       5216
##
                                  Not Asked
               Skipped
##
                                          0
#Do the police make you feel
table(x$CC16_307)
##
##
       Mostly safe
                     Somewhat safe Somewhat unsafe
                                                       Mostly unsafe
##
             30349
                              24549
                                                6917
                                                                 2687
##
           Skipped
                          Not Asked
##
#knowledge check: wchich party has the majority seat (House: Republican)
table(x$CC16_321a)
##
                                                                    Not Asked
## Republicans
                 Democrats
                                Neither
                                            Not sure
                                                         Skipped
                       7282
                                   1112
                                               16140
#konwledge check: which party has the majority seat (Senate: Republican)
table(x$CC16_321b)
##
## Republicans
                 Democrats
                                Neither
                                            Not sure
                                                                    Not Asked
                                                         Skipped
         36801
                       9931
                                   1407
                                               16403
#Approval rates: do you approve the way each is doing their job:
table(x$CC16_320a) #President Obama
##
##
      Strongly approve
                           Somewhat approve Somewhat disapprove
##
                 19001
                                      14800
                                                            6579
## Strongly disapprove
                                   Not sure
                                                         Skipped
##
                 21258
                                       2940
                                                               0
##
             Not Asked
##
                     0
table(x$CC16_320b) #US congress
##
##
                           Somewhat approve Somewhat disapprove
      Strongly approve
##
                  2354
                                      11353
                                                           17507
## Strongly disapprove
                                   Not sure
                                                         Skipped
```

```
24521
                                       8832
                                                               0
##
##
             Not Asked
##
table(x$CC16_320c) #US supreme court
##
##
      Strongly approve
                           Somewhat approve Somewhat disapprove
##
                                      22889
                  4880
                                                           16623
                                  Not sure
## Strongly disapprove
                                                         Skipped
                                      10044
                                                               0
##
                 10133
##
             Not Asked
##
Voting Records
# vote in 2012 election
table(x$CC16_316)
##
                                         No
                                      12382
##
  I usually vote but did not vote in 2012
##
                                        2298
##
                              I am not sure
##
                                        1235
##
                  Yes, I definitely voted.
##
                                      48620
##
                                    Skipped
##
                                          0
                                  Not Asked
##
##
# who in 2012
table(x$CC16_326)
##
## Barack Obama Mitt Romney Someone else Did not vote Don't recall
##
          28031
                        18157
                                      1539
                                                                   734
                                                      78
##
        Skipped
                    Not Asked
##
              0
# vote in Presidential primary
table(x$CC16_328)
##
##
                                     Hillary Clinton
##
                                                12661
##
                                      Bernie Sanders
##
##
                                    Another Democrat
##
                                                  240
##
                                        Donald Trump
##
                                                 8026
```

##

Ted Cruz

```
3759
##
                                           John Kasich
##
                                                  1739
##
##
                                          Marco Rubio
##
                                                  1539
##
                                   Another Republican
##
## Someone else who is not a Democrat or Republican
##
##
                                               Skipped
##
##
                                             Not Asked
##
```

Issues

##

```
#immigration:
table(x$CC16_331_1) #grant legal status to all illegal immigrants who lived more than 3yrs
##
##
                         Skipped Not Asked
         Yes
                    No
##
       36182
                 28418
                                0
table(x$CC16_331_2) #increase number of border patrols
##
##
         Yes
                         Skipped Not Asked
                    No
##
       31858
                 32742
                               0
table(x$CC16_331_3) #grant legal status to those came in as children
##
##
                         Skipped Not Asked
         Yes
                    No
##
       30286
                 34314
table(x$CC16_331_7) #identify and deport illegal immigrants
##
##
         Yes
                         Skipped Not Asked
                    No
##
       26249
                 38351
                               0
                                          0
table(x$CC16_332a) #abortion as a matter of choice
##
##
     Support
                Oppose
                         Skipped Not Asked
##
       39808
                 24730
table(x$CC16_332b) #abortion permitted only in case of rape, incest or life in danger
##
##
     Support
                Oppose
                         Skipped Not Asked
                 34892
table(x$CC16_332c) #prohibit abortion after the 20th week
```

```
Oppose Skipped Not Asked
##
     Support
       39057
                25461
                              0
##
table(x$CC16_332f) #abortion illegal
##
##
     Support
                Oppose
                         Skipped Not Asked
##
       10144
                54369
                              0
table(x$CC16_332e) #prohibit expenditure of abortion
##
##
     Support
                Oppose
                         Skipped Not Asked
##
       29217
                35321
                              0
table(x$CC16_334c) #increase number of police on street by 10 percent
##
##
     Support
                Oppose
                         Skipped Not Asked
##
       35317
                29232
                              0
table(x$CC16_334d) #increase prison sentences for felons
##
##
     Support
                Oppose
                         Skipped Not Asked
##
                10360
                              0
      54198
#gay
table(x$CC16_335) #gay marriage legal
##
##
      Favor
                Oppose
                         Skipped Not Asked
##
      41718
                22407
                              0
#budget cut priority
table(x$CC16_337_1) #defense
##
## Ranked first Ranked second Ranked third
                                                   Skipped
                                                               Not Asked
          25054
                         24355
                                       13760
##
table(x$CC16_337_2) #domestic
##
## Ranked first Ranked second Ranked third
                                                   Skipped
                                                               Not Asked
          23740
                         16912
                                       22715
table(x$CC16_337_3) #raise tax
## Ranked first Ranked second Ranked third
                                                   Skipped
                                                               Not Asked
##
          14818
                        21920
                                       26385
```