

# Codebook v 1.0

The European Union Member States  
(EUMS) Database

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# member\_states

Data on member states

## Description

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This dataset includes data on European Union (EU) member states. There is one observation per member state. The dataset includes information about accession, the political system of the member state, participation in the European Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) and the Schengen Area, legal obligations and opt-outs, and membership in other international organizations.

## Variables

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key_id	numeric	An ID number that uniquely identifies each observation.
member_state_id	numeric	An ID number that uniquely identifies each member state.
member_state	string	The name of the member state.
member_state_code	string	A two-letter code assigned to each member state by the Commission.
iso_alpha_2_code	string	The ISO 2-letter code for the member state.
iso_alpha_3_code	string	The ISO 3-letter code for the member state.
languages	string	The official languages of the member state. If a member state has more than one official language, they are listed, separated by a comma.

accession_date	date The date that the member state acceded to the EU in the format YYYY-MM-DD .
accession_year	numeric The year that the member state acceded to the EU.
current_member	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is currently a member of the EU. Coded 1 if the member state is currently a member and 0 otherwise.
exit_date	date If the member state is no longer a member of the EU, the date that the member state exited the EU in the format YYYY-MM-DD . Coded NA if not applicable.
exit_year	numeric If the member state is no longer a member of the EU, the year that the member state exited to the EU. Coded NA if not applicable.
wave_1	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state was a founding member of the EU. Coded 1 if the member state was a founding member and 0 otherwise.
wave_2	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state was part of the second accession wave (1973). Coded 1 if the member state was part of the second wave and 0 otherwise.
wave_3	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state was part of the third accession wave (1981). Coded 1 if the member state was part of the third wave and 0 otherwise.
wave_4	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state was part of the fourth accession wave (1986). Coded 1 if the member state was part of the fourth wave and 0 otherwise.
wave_5	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state was part of the fifth accession wave (1995). Coded 1 if the member state was part of the fifth wave and 0 otherwise.
wave_6	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state was part of the sixth accession wave (2004). Coded 1 if the member state was part of the sixth wave and 0 otherwise.

wave_7	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state was part of the seventh accession wave (2007). Coded 1 if the member state was part of the seventh wave and 0 otherwise.
wave_8	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state was part of the eighth accession wave (2013). Coded 1 if the member state was part of the eighth wave and 0 otherwise.
eu_15	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is part of the EU15, which refers to the members that joined prior to the 2004 expansion into Central and Eastern Europe. Coded 1 if the member state is part of the EU15 and 0 otherwise.
eu_19	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is part of the EU19, which refers to the members of the Eurozone. Coded 1 if the member state is part of the EU19 and 0 otherwise.
eu_10	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is part of the EU10, which refers to the members that joined as part of the 2004 expansion into Central and Eastern Europe (including Cyprus and Malta). Coded 1 if the member state is part of the EU10 and 0 otherwise.
eu_11	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is part of the EU11, which refers to the Central and Eastern European member states that joined between 2004 and 2013 (excluding Cyprus and Malta). Coded 1 if the member state is part of the EU11 and 0 otherwise.
eu_27_old	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is part of the EU27 under the original meaning, which refers to all member states except Croatia. Coded 1 if the member state is part of the EU27 and 0 otherwise.
eu_27_new	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is part of the EU27 under the new meaning, which refers to all member states except the United Kingdom. Coded 1 if the member state is part of the EU27 and 0 otherwise.

eu_28	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is part of the EU28, which refers to all member states. Coded 1 if the member state is part of the EU28 and 0 otherwise.
political_system	string The political system of the member state. Possible values include, in decreasing order of frequency: unitary parliamentary republic , unitary parliamentary constitutional monarchy , unitary semi-presidential republic , federal parliamentary republic , federal parliamentary constitutional monarchy , and unitary presidential republic .
federal	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state has a federal system. Coded 1 if the member state has a federal system and 0 otherwise.
unitary	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state has a unitary system. Coded 1 if the member state has a unitary system and 0 otherwise.
parliamentary	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state has a parliamentary system. Coded 1 if the member state has a parliamentary system and 0 otherwise.
presidential	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state has a presidential system. Coded 1 if the member state has a presidential system and 0 otherwise.
semi_presidential	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state has a semi-presidential system. Coded 1 if the member state has a semi-presidential system and 0 otherwise.
republic	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is a republic. Coded 1 if the member state is a republic and 0 otherwise.
constitutional_monarchy	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is a constitutional monarchy. Coded 1 if the member state is a constitutional monarchy and 0 otherwise.

emu	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is a member of the European Economic and Monetary Union (EMU). Coded 1 if the member state is a member of the EMU and 0 otherwise.
emu_accession_date	date If the member state is a member of the EMU, the date that the member state acceded to the EMU in the format YYYY-MM-DD . Coded NA if not applicable.
emu_accession_year	numeric If the member state is a member of the EMU, the year that the member state acceded to the EMU. Coded NA if not applicable.
currency	string The name of the currency used by the member state.
pre_emu_currency	string The name of the currency used by the member state before the creation of the EMU.
schengen_area	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is a member of the Schengen Area. Coded 1 if the member state is a member of the Schengen Area and 0 otherwise.
schengen_date_signed	date If the member state is a member of the Schengen Area, the date that the member state signed the Schengen Agreement in the format YYYY-MM-DD . Coded NA if not applicable.
schengen_year_signed	numeric If the member state is a member of the Schengen Area, the year that the member state signed the Schengen Agreement. Coded NA if not applicable.
schengen_date_implemented	date If the member state is a member of the Schengen Area, the date that the member state implemented the Schengen Agreement in the format YYYY-MM-DD . Coded NA if not applicable.
schengen_year_implemented	numeric If the member state is a member of the Schengen Area, the year that the member state implemented the Schengen Agreement. Coded NA if not applicable.

emu_obligated	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is legally obligated to join in the EMU in the future. Coded 1 if the member state has an obligation to join and 0 otherwise.
schengen_obligated	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is legally obligated to join in the Schengen Area in the future. Coded 1 if the member state has an obligation to join and 0 otherwise.
emu_opt_out	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state has a legal opt-out for the EMU. Coded 1 if the member state has an opt-out and 0 otherwise.
schengen_opt_out	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state has a legal opt-out for the Schengen Area. Coded 1 if the member state has an opt-out and 0 otherwise.
csdp_opt_out	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state has a legal opt-out for the Common Security and Defense Policy (CSDP). Coded 1 if the member state has an opt-out and 0 otherwise.
cfr_opt_out	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state has a legal opt-out for the Charter of Fundamental Rights (CFR). Coded 1 if the member state has an opt-out and 0 otherwise.
afsj_opt_out	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state has a legal opt-out for the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (AFSJ). Coded 1 if the member state has an opt-out and 0 otherwise.
nato	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is also a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). Coded 1 if the member state is a member and 0 otherwise.
oecd	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is also a member of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). Coded 1 if the member state is a member and 0 otherwise.



benelux_union	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is also a member of the Benelux Union. Coded 1 if the member state is a member and 0 otherwise.
nordic_council	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is also a member of the Nordic Council. Coded 1 if the member state is a member and 0 otherwise.
baltic_assembly	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is also a member of the Baltic Assembly. Coded 1 if the member state is a member and 0 otherwise.
visegrad_group	dummy A dummy variable indicating whether the member state is also a member of the Visegrad Group. Coded 1 if the member state is a member and 0 otherwise.

# member\_states\_csts

Cross-sectional time-series data on member states

## Description

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This dataset is a template for cross-sectional time-series data on member states. There is one observation per member state per year.

## Variables

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<code>key_id</code>	<code>numeric</code> An ID number that uniquely identifies each observation.
<code>year</code>	<code>numeric</code> The year.
<code>member_state_id</code>	<code>numeric</code> An ID number that uniquely identifies each member state.
<code>member_state</code>	<code>string</code> The name of the member sate.
<code>member_state_code</code>	<code>string</code> A two-letter code assigned to each member state by the Commission.
<code>years_as_member</code>	<code>numeric</code> The number of years that the member state has been a member, with the first year of membership coded <code>1</code> .

# member\_states\_ddy

Directed dyad-year data on member states

## Description

This dataset is a template for directed dyad-year data on member states. There is one observation per directed dyad per year.

## Variables

<code>key_id</code>	<code>numeric</code>	An ID number that uniquely identifies each observation.
<code>year</code>	<code>numeric</code>	The year.
<code>from_member_state_id</code>	<code>numeric</code>	An ID number that uniquely identifies each member state.
<code>from_member_state</code>	<code>string</code>	The name of the first member state in the directed dyad.
<code>from_member_state_code</code>	<code>string</code>	A two-letter code assigned to each member state by the Commission.
<code>to_member_state_id</code>	<code>numeric</code>	An ID number that uniquely identifies each member state.
<code>to_member_state</code>	<code>string</code>	The name of the second member state in the directed dyad.

`to_member_state_code`

`string` A two-letter code assigned to each member state by the Commission.

# qmv\_weights

Data on qualified majority voting (QMV) weights

## Description

This dataset includes data on qualified majority voting (QMV) weights in the Council of the European Union. The total number of votes allocated across member states and the number of votes allocated to each member state have changed over time. This dataset tracks those changes and calculates the normalized voting weight for each member state for each period.

## Variables

key_id	numeric	An ID number that uniquely identifies each observation.
period	numeric	An ID number that uniquely identifies each period.
start_date	date	The start day of the period in the format YYYY-MM-DD .
start_year	numeric	The start year of the period.
start_month	numeric	The start month of the period.
start_day	numeric	The start day of the period.
end_date	date	The end date of the period in the format YYYY-MM-DD .
end_year	numeric	The end year of the period.
end_month	numeric	The end month of the period.

end_day	numeric	The end day of the period.
count_member_states	numeric	The number of member states.
member_state_id	numeric	An ID number that uniquely identifies each member state.
member_state	string	The name of the member state.
member_state_code	string	A two-letter code assigned to each member state by the Commission.
votes	numeric	The number of votes allocated to each member state during the period.
total_votes	numeric	The total number of votes allocated across all member states during the period.
normalized_weight	numeric	The normalized voting weight of the member state during the period. Calculated as the number of votes allocated to the member state divided by the total number of votes allocated to all member states.