Reputation of Terror Groups Dataset - Codebook

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The codebook covers all the variables used in the following publications in which Reputation of Terror Groups (RTG) dataset is first used by the authors:

- Tokdemir, Efe, and Seden Akcinaroglu. 2016. "Reputation of Terror Groups Dataset: Measuring Popularity of Terror Groups" Journal of Peace Research, Vol. 53(2) 268-277.

- Akcinaroglu, Seden, and Efe Tokdemir. 2016. "To Instill Fear or Love: Terror Groups and Strategy of Building Reputation" Conflict Management and Peace Science, Online First. DOI: 10.1177/0738894216634292

The dataset covers domestic terrorist group included in Global Terrorism Database from 1980 to 2011. Further updates and extensions of the data will be announced in www.efetokdemir.com

In the table below, variable names, variable descriptions and sources are listed. For further information of the coding procedures, biases and limitations of the originally coded data please refer to the data paper and its supplementary files from PRIO database or www.efetokdemir.com

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Variable Name	Description	Source
gname	Terrorist group name	Based on Global Terrorism Database – Domestic Terror Groups by Enders et al. (2011)
tcode	Terrorist group code	Original – RTG Dataset
ffund	=1 if terrorist group engages in forced funding – extortion – forced revolutionary taxes	Original – RTG Dataset
childrec	=1 if terrorist group recruits children	Original – RTG Dataset
frec	=1 if terrorist group recruits forcefully	Original – RTG Dataset
parterr	=1 if a political party transformed into terrorist group	Original – RTG Dataset
terpwing	=1 if terrorist group has political wing	Original – RTG Dataset
teraff	=1 if terrorist group has an affiliation with a political party	Original – RTG Dataset
politics	=1 if terpwing, teraff, or parterr = 1	Original – RTG Dataset
media	=1 if terrorist group has daily broadcasting TV and/or radio channel	Original – RTG Dataset
pgood	=1 if terrorist group engages in public good services such as providing free education, health services, free communication services, security services	Original – RTG Dataset

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intposrep	Summative index measuring positive constituency reputation: media+politics+pgood	Original – RTG Dataset
intnegrep	Summative index measuring negative constituency reputation: ffund+frec+childrec	Original – RTG Dataset
outnegrep	Summative index measuring target audience reputation: civcausrealeff +eductargexist	Original – RTG Dataset
intnetrep	Summative index measuring internal reputation: intpostep - intnegrep	Original – RTG Dataset
netrep	Summative index: intnetrep - outnegrep	Original – RTG Dataset
reputation	=1 if terrorist groups score 3,2,-2,-3 in intnetrep	Original – RTG Dataset
age	Age of terrorist group	Based on TRAC Terrorist Group Profiles and other sources
rebel	=1 if terrorist group is a rebel organization in UCDP/PRIO	UCDP/PRIO Armed Conflict Dataset
goal	Coded according to terrorist group aims. =1 regime change =2 territorial change =3 policy change =4 empire =5 social revolution =6 status quo	Updating/Extending RAND – How Terrorist Groups End Dataset
broadgoal	=1 if terrorist group aims for regime change, social revolution or empire	Updating/Extending RAND – How Terrorist Groups End Dataset

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Variable	Description	Source
type	If terrorist group is =1 religious =2 left wing =3 nationalist =4 right wing	Updating/Extending RAND – How Terrorist Groups End Dataset
terrstrong	=1 if terrorist group controls any territory	Updating/Extending BAAD – Lethality Dataset
statespons	=1 if terrorist groups gets state support	Updating/Extending BAAD – Lethality Dataset
international	=1 if terrorist group operates cross-border, which means the group engages in operations in more than one country	Based on Global Terrorism Database
nmbrtrr	Number of terrorist groups active in the country where the terrorist group operates	Based on Global Terrorism Database
left	=1 if terrorist group is leftist	Updating/Extending RAND – How Terrorist Groups End Dataset
rel	=1 if terrorist group is religious	Updating/Extending RAND – How Terrorist Groups End Dataset
nat	=1 if terrorist group is ethno-nationalist	Updating/Extending RAND – How Terrorist Groups End Dataset
peaksize	Terrorist group's peak size =1 if 10-99 =2 if 100-999 =3 if 1000-9999 =4 if 10000 or over	Updating/Extending RAND – How Terrorist Groups End Dataset
cleavage	Terrorist group type =1 if ideological =2 if ethnicity/nationality =3 if religious	Original – RTG Dataset

endedtype	=1 if it ended by policing/defeat =2 if it engaged in politics or ended in victory =3 if it merged with other group/splinter/change name	Updating/Extending RAND – How Terrorist Groups End Dataset
endedtype2	=1 if terrorist group is inactive	Updating/Extending RAND – How Terrorist Groups End Dataset
govcaus	Number of casualties the terrorist group inflicted: attack on government members	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
educcaus	Number of casualties the terrorist group inflicted: attack on education institutions	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
civcaus	Number of casualties the terrorist group inflicted: civilians	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
nkill	Number of people killed by terrorist group	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
nkillter	Number of terrorist group members killed	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
nwound	Number of people wounded by the terrorist group	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
propertycount	Number of *property damaged events* caused by terrorist group	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
govtargcount	Number of *government targeted events* caused by terrorist group	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
civtargcount	Number of *civilian targeted events* caused by the terrorist group	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
eductargcount	Number of *school targeted events* caused by the terrorist group	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year

eductargexist	=1 if terrorist group attacked school	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
civcausreal	Average civilian casualties by other terrorist groups in the given year-country	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
civcausrealeff	=1 if casualties caused by terrorist group exceed average civilian casualties by other terrorist groups in the given year-country	Global Terrorism Database – collapsed by year
coldwar	=1 if the terrorist group operated prior to 1990	-
ccodecow	Correlates of War code of country where terrorist group operates	CoW – Country Code
p_polity2	Polity score of the country where terrorist group operates	Polity IV
logarea	Logged surface area of the country where the terrorist group operates	US Census Bureau International Database
loggdp	Logged GDP of the country where the terrorist group operates	UN Statistics Division
logpop	Logged population of the country where the terrorist group operates	UN Statistics Division
logmil	Logged number of military personnel of the country where the terrorist group operates	World Bank Database