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IDEP Standing Orders Minority-Majority-Change Dataset

The dataset is a compilation of data based on several data-sets: ERD European Represantatives Dataset, Release 3, February 2014, ISORD IDEP Standing Orders Reform Dataset, version 2.08, ParlGov Parliaments and governments database, 2012 release

Its structure has several levels/layers – time episodes for cabinets in different countries starting as early as June 1944 up October 2010.

The basic structure of cabinet time episodes stems from ERD. Information on standing orders reforms was merged/joined from ISOR dataset by matching reform dates (date of acceptance of the reform or if not availible earliest date availible) into cabinet time spans (and countries). All measures of ideological positions, distances and polarization come from CMP which was merged/joined with ParlGov first (ParlGov includes the CMP party id variable). ParlGov in turn was used as source of volatility measures. Having merged/joined ParlGov and CMP this combined dataset was than joined with ERD by matching cabinet start dates (automatically and by hand due to occasional differing start days).

The data set incorporates aggregated data for 384 cabinets in 14 countries and consists of 1242 variables.

Example:

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#### R-code: ####

isom  %>%
  select(ctr, cab_pm, cab_in, cab_out, wds_chg_sum, pro_minmaj_qual, idl_pnt_all, volatility) %>%
  mutate(
    idl_pnt_all = round(idl_pnt_all, 1),
    volatility  = round(volatility, 1)
  )
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## Source: local data frame [398 x 8]
##
##      ctr     cab_pm     cab_in    cab_out wds_chg_sum pro_minmaj_qual idl_pnt_all volatility
##    (chr)      (chr)     (date)     (date)       (dbl)            (dbl)       (dbl)      (dbl)
## 1    aut     Figl I 1945-12-20 1947-11-20           0                0          NA         NA
## 2    aut    Figl II 1947-11-20 1949-10-09         164                1          NA         NA
## 3    aut   Figl III 1949-11-08 1953-02-22           0                0        10.0         NA
## 4    aut     Raab I 1953-04-02 1956-05-13           0                0         5.7        7.3
## 5    aut    Raab II 1956-06-29 1959-05-10           0                0        15.1        9.1
## 6    aut   Raab III 1959-07-16 1961-04-11           0                0         5.0        5.5
## 7    aut  Gorbach I 1961-04-11 1962-11-18        2825               -1         5.0        5.5
## 8    aut Gorbach II 1963-03-27 1964-04-02           0                0        -1.9        2.4
## 9    aut    Klaus I 1964-04-02 1965-10-25           0                0        -1.9        2.4
## 10   aut   Klaus II 1966-04-19 1970-03-01           0                0        -5.2        4.2
## ..   ...        ...        ...        ...         ...              ...         ...        ...
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Citing the Data

Publications using this dataset should acknowledge in writing that the information comes from:

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Variable Descriptions

Notes

The variables of the ISOR dataset are extensively described in a seperate codebook (`isor_codebook.pdf`) – therefore only some of those variables are presented here.

Since there might be more than one SO reform (ISOR) that took place during the course of a cabinet ISOR data had to be aggregated:

- all ISOR variables preserve their name
- but if values had to be aggregated the variables names get an extra suffix:
  - **fst** for the value of the first reform of a cabinet time span
  - **lst** for the value of the last reform of a cabinet time span
  - **mn** for the mean value
  - **sum** for the sum of all values

- Furthermore, due to the aggregation of ISOR data an addtitional variable is provided: **n_reforms** captures the number of times SO were changed during the course of a cabinet.

For a version of the very same data set prior to aggregation have a look at `isom_non_agg.Rdata` respectively `isom_non_agg.dta`.