



Asian American Voter Survey 2016 - Public Opinion Database

Data & Methods Memo

Summary Information

The data is extracted from cross table file `spring16aavs-crosstabs.xlsx` using tabula pdf extraction software. The extracted raw data `raw_survey_tables.xlsx` is divided into separate sheets: `ethnic1`, `gender2`, `age3`, `nativity4` and `geo` based on the break-down groups in the cross table. There are `geo5`, `geo6`, `geo7`, `geo8`, `geo9`, `geo10`, `geo11`, `geo12` and `geo13` based on different geographic breakdowns.

- The list of survey questions `questionID.xlsx` is extracted from the cross table file. `tableID` refers to the order of the tables from the original cross table file.
- `keyID.csv` refers to the survey question choices from all the tables. It is stored separately to reduce storage space.
- `groupID.csv` group breakdowns: Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Male, Female, etc.
- `typeID.csv` refers to types of groups (ethnic, age, gender, nativity, `geo1`, `geo2`, etc)

Table	Estimate	Meaning	table.file	Raw.Crosstabs
full table (with text)	question	survey question	full_table.csv	raw_survey_tables.xlsx
full table (with text)	group_type	type of break-down	full_table.csv	raw_survey_tables.xlsx
full table (with text)	group	groups within the break-down type	full_table.csv	raw_survey_tables.xlsx
full table (with text)	key	one key to the survey question	full_table.csv	raw_survey_tables.xlsx
full table (with text)	value	percent of the group choosing the key	full_table.csv	raw_survey_tables.xlsx
slim table (with code ID)	questionID	refer to questionID.xlsx	slim_table.csv	raw_survey_tables.xlsx
slim table (with code ID)	typeID	refer to typeID.csv	slim_table.csv	raw_survey_tables.xlsx
slim table (with code ID)	groupID	refer to groupID.csv	slim_table.csv	raw_survey_tables.xlsx
slim table (with code ID)	keyID	refer to keyID.csv	slim_table.csv	raw_survey_tables.xlsx
slim table (with code ID)	value	percent of the group choosing the key	slim_table.csv	raw_survey_tables.xlsx

Notes

All this data is located in this folder:

- Dropbox/AAPIData HQ/Projects/opinion database/AAVS-2016

List of Files

- Raw AAVS 2016 crosstab report: `spring16aavs-crosstabs.pdf`
- Raw extracted crostab data: `raw_survey_tables.xlsx`
- question ID lookup table: `questionID.xlsx`
- key ID lookup table: `keyID.csv`
- group ID lookup table: `groupID.csv`
- Dofile to get the file cleaned and ready: `AAPIData HQ/Projects/opinion database/report_extract.R`
- type ID lookup table: `typeID.csv`
- Full version table with text: `full_table.csv`
- Slim version table with coded label: `slim_table.csv`