# Package 'stopwords'

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#### **Description**

Provides a stopwords() function to return character vectors of stopwords for different languages, using the ISO-639-1 language codes, and allows for different sources of stopwords to be defined.

# **Currently available sources**

```
snowball The Snowball stopword lists sources for multiple languages. Most of these have been
ported from the quanteda stopword lists (in versions <1.0 of that package).
stopwords-iso The collection taken from https://github.com/stopwords-iso/stopwords-iso/.
smart The English-language stopword list from the SMART information retrieval system.
misc A few additional stopword lists, including the non-Snowball word lists from quanteda versions < 1.0.
marimo Stopword lists compiled by Kohei Watanabe.</pre>
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```
data_stopwords_ancient

stopword lists for ancient languages
```

#### **Description**

Stopword lists for ancient Greek and Latin. These lists are far more extensive than the Perseus lists for ancient Greek and Latin from the Perseus Digital Library.

#### Format

An object of class list of length 2.

#### **Details**

As there is no 2-letter code for ancient Greek in ISO-639-1, we use "grc" to denote Greek (as per ISO-639-3).

#### Usage

```
stopwords(language = "grc", source = "ancient")
stopwords(language = "la", source = "ancient")
```

#### **Source**

Aurélien Berra, Ancient Greek and Latin stopwords, doi: 10.5281/zenodo.1165205. See https://github.com/aurelberra/stopwords/blob/master/rationale.md.

#### See Also

```
data_stopwords_perseus
```

data\_stopwords\_marimo stopword lists including parts-of-speech

#### **Description**

Stopword lists that include specific parts of speech, maintained by Kohei Watanabe.

# Format

An object of class list of length 8.

#### **Details**

These are multi-level lists, in the original data. If you wish to use them as lists, please access the data object directly.

# Usage

```
stopwords(language = "en", source = "marimo")
```

# Source

The English version was adopted from the Snowball collection, and then extended and translated into other languages by contributors. Names of contributors are in the header of the original YAML files.

# **Examples**

```
# access English pronouns directly
stopwords::data_stopwords_marimo$en$pronoun
```

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#### **Description**

Other, miscellaneous stopword lists.

#### **Format**

An object of class list of length 5.

# Usage

```
stopwords(language, source = "misc")
```

#### Source

The Arabic stopwords come from https://sites.google.com/site/kevinbouge/stopwords-lists.

The Catalan stopwords come from http://latel.upf.edu/morgana/altres/pub/ca\_stop.htm.

The Greek stopwords were supplied by Carsten Schwemmer (see https://github.com/quanteda/quanteda/issues/282).

The Gujarati stopwords are taken from https://github.com/gujarati-ir/Gujarati-Stop-Words and modified by Chandrakant Bhogayata.

The Chinese stopwords are taken from the Baidu stopword list (see http://www.baiduguide.com/baidustopwords/).

#### **Description**

Stopword lists for 23 languages from the Python NLTK library.

#### **Format**

An object of class list of length 23.

#### Usage

```
stopwords(language = "en", source = "nltk")
```

#### Source

https://github.com/nltk/nltk\_data/blob/gh-pages/packages/corpora/stopwords.zip

data\_stopwords\_perseus

#### References

Bird, Steven, Edward Loper and Ewan Klein (2009). Natural Language Processing with Python. O'Reilly Media Inc.

```
data_stopwords_perseus
```

stopword lists for ancient languages - Perseus Digital Library

# **Description**

Stopword lists for ancient Greek and Latin. As there is no 2-letter code for ancient Greek in ISO-639-1, we use "grc" to denote Greek (as per ISO-639-3).

#### **Format**

An object of class list of length 2.

#### Usage

```
stopwords(language = "grc", source = "perseus")
stopwords(language = "la", source = "perseus")
```

# Source

The Perseus Digital Library. See https://wiki.digitalclassicist.org/Stopwords\_for\_Greek\_and\_Latin and https://wiki.digitalclassicist.org/Perseus\_Digital\_Library.

```
data_stopwords_smart stopword lists from the SMART system
```

# Description

The stopword lists based on the SMART (System for the Mechanical Analysis and Retrieval of Text) Information Retrieval System, an information retrieval system developed at Cornell University in the 1960s.

#### **Format**

An object of class list of length 1.

# Usage

```
stopwords(language = "en", source = "smart")
```

#### **Source**

The English stopword list is taken from the online appendix 11 of Lewis et. al. (2004).

# References

Lewis, David D., et al. (2004) "Rcv1: A new benchmark collection for text categorization research." *Journal of machine learning research* 5: 361-397.

data\_stopwords\_snowball

snowball stopword list

# Description

snowball stopword list

#### **Format**

An object of class list of length 15.

#### **Details**

Provides stopword lists in multiple languages, based on the Snowball stemmer's word lists.

# Usage

```
stopwords(language, source = "snowball")
```

# **Source**

The main stopword lists are taken from the Snowball stemmer project in different languages (see https://snowballstem.org/projects.html).

The stopword lists can be found in http://snowball.tartarus.org/dist/snowball\_all.tgz.

#### See Also

```
stopwords()
```

data\_stopwords\_stopwordsiso

multilingual stopwords from https://github.com/stopwords-iso/stopwords-iso

#### **Description**

The Stopwords ISO Dataset is the most comprehensive collection of stopwords for multiple languages. The collection follows the ISO 639-1 language code.

#### **Format**

A named list of length 57, of character vectors that represent stopwords in 57 languages. To see the languages available, use stopwords\_getlanguages().

#### Usage

```
stopwords(language, source = "stopwords-iso")
```

#### Source

https://github.com/stopwords-iso/stopwords-iso/

stopwords

Collection of stopwords in multiple languages

# **Description**

This function returns character vectors of stopwords for different languages, using the ISO-639-1 language codes, and allows for different sources of stopwords to be defined.

The default source is the Snowball() stopwords collection but other() sources are also available.

#### Usage

```
stopwords(language = "en", source = "snowball", simplify = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

language specify language of stopwords by ISO 639-1 code

source specify a stopwords source. To list the currently available options, use stopwords\_getsources().

simplify logical; if TRUE return a simple vector, if FALSE return a list if the original word

list was nested

#### **Details**

The language codes for each stopword list use the two-letter ISO code from https://en.wikipedia. org/wiki/List\_of\_ISO\_639-1\_codes. For backwards compatibility, the full English names of the stopwords from the quanteda package may also be used, although these are deprecated.

#### Value

a character vector containing the stopwords, or a list of characters simplify = FALSE

# **Examples**

```
stopwords("en")
stopwords("de")
```

stopwords\_getlanguages

list available stopwords country codes

# Description

Lists the available stopwords country codes for a given stopwords source. See https://en. wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO\_639-1 for details of the language code.

# Usage

```
stopwords_getlanguages(source)
```

# **Arguments**

source

the source of the stopwords

# **Description**

Returns a character vector of the stopword sources available from the **stopwords** package.

# Usage

```
stopwords_getsources()
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