"Media-Driven Polarization. Evidence from the US"
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**README FILE**

This file describes all the steps required for the replication of the empirical results contained in the paper, using Stata 12.

1- **Data Files**
   a. **CampanteDo_MainData.dta**
      This is the main file containing the state-level data of media coverage of politics. This dataset is extracted from Campante and Do (2014). They constitute proprietary data and can be obtained from:
      https://www.aeaweb.org/articles?id=10.1257/aer.104.8.2456
   b. **ANES_2008.dta**
      This file contains the information from the 2008 ANES study. They constitute proprietary data and can obtained from:
      https://electionstudies.org/data-center/
   c. **ANES_2000.dta**
      This file contains the information from the 2000 ANES study. They constitute proprietary data and can obtained from:
      https://electionstudies.org/data-center/

2- **Do-files**
   a. **Melki_Sekeris_regressions_2008**
      This do-file generates all the tables and figures except column (5) of Table 1, using the 2000 ANES dataset.
   b. **Melki_Sekeris_regressions_2000**
      This do-file generates column (5) of Table 1 based on the 2000 ANES dataset.

3- **Instructions for Replication**
   All of the files should be saved in the same folder, whose name can be written into the do-files in place of the "Folder" markers. Once this is done, it is enough to run the **"Melki_Sekeris_regressions_2008"** and "**Melki_Sekeris_regressions_2000"** files to produce all of the tables and figures. Both do-files are meant to be self-explanatory.