Updating the *Party Government* data set[‡]

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Release Notes

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1 Overview

This document provides brief notes on version history of the Seki and Williams parliamentary data archive.

1.1 Location

The SW dataset can be found in the following locations:

- Personal website: faculty.missouri.edu/ williamslaro/data
- Harvard Dataverse: dataverse.harvard.edu/dataverse/laronwilliams

1.2 Citation

Please use the following citation if you use or reference the Seki-Williams update to the *Party Government* dataset:

Katsunori Seki and Laron K. Williams (2014). "Updating the *Party Government* Data Set." *Electoral Studies*. 34: 270-279.

2 Version History

2.1 Release Dates

- Version 1.0: February 28, 2015
- Version 1.1: September 7, 2016
- Version 2.0: September 16, 2016

2.2 Data File Formats

- Version 1.0: Stata .dta format
- Version 1.1: Stata .dta format
- Version 2.0: Stata .dta format and CSV format

2.3 Governments Data

- Version 1.0: First public release
- Version 1.1: Errors were fixed in `py#cab_perc` and `portfolio` variables for Israel, Italy, and the Netherlands
- Version 2.0: Data coverage expands to December 2014. Two new variables, `parlgov` and `errda`, are added. `cmp` variable is now labeled as `marpor`. Following Woldendorp, et al. (2000; 2011), `country` for South Africa had three different names—South Africa I, South Africa II, and South Africa III—which is now changed to "South Africa."

2.4 WKB Ministers Data

- Version 1.0: First public release
- Version 2.0: No changes were made

2.5 SW Ministers Data

- Version 1.0: First public release
- Version 2.0: Data coverage expands to December 2014. We made the following corrections.
  - Schluter: Denmark's Prime Minister in government #27 was incorrectly called "Schulter"
  - Pehrsson: Sweden's Minister for Social Security in government #28 was incorrectly called "Persson"
  - Kosmo: Norway's Minister of Labour and Government Administration in government #23 was incorrectly referred to by his middle name, "Harek"

2.6 Government Partisanship Data

- Version 1.0: This dataset was not available in this version.
- Version 2.0: We decided to offer a separate data file on government partisanship.

2.7 Accompanied do-files

- Version 1.0: First public release
- Version 2.0: Three separate do-files offered in Version 1.0 to produce government partisanship data are now integrated into one single do-file. This can be used to change the unit of analysis and temporal dimension of the government partisanship data that we offer.