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United Nations General Assembly Voting, 1946-2013 (data set)

The data set consists of the voting behavior of member states in the United Nations General Assembly based on the UNBisNET Voting Records (http://unbisnet.un.org) for the time period 1946-2013. The data was extracted on 13 July 2015 using scrapy in Python.

Individual votes are coded as: YES, NO, ABSTAIN, ABSENT (coded as blank space in the original source), INELIGIBLE (based on code 9 in the UNBisNET data base). Missing indicates that the country was not a UN member/did not exist at the time of voting. More information on how the original data source coded voting behavior can be found here: http://research.un.org/en/docs/ga/voting

The data set is a delimited text-file (delimiter: semi-colon), some fields (title, documents) are enclosed in double-quotation marks The original source included some typos (e.g., codes for votes: NY, 9, 90), these were addressed by manually checking the meeting records and adding the correct information.

This is a first draft version, additional checks should be carried out before using the data (e.g. making sure that all countries are included for the relevant time periods, cross-validation using other data sets). Missing blank spaces (for absent) cannot be positively double-checked in this version. Read the Python script for more details.

Additional information about UNGA resolutions can be found here:
https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataset.xhtml?persistentId=doi:10.7910/DVN/T8EIWO