Codebook

"Military Attitudes on the Chemical Weapons Taboo: Evidence from the Pacific Theater"

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Additional information about the variables is available in the online appendix and in the READ_ME.txt file of the replication materials.

Codebook for ams175.dta

Variable	Description
cardnum	Survey card number
surveynum	Survey number
ballotnum	Survey ballot number
rankgrade	What is your army rank or grade?
age	Age on last birthday?
school	How far did you go in school?
monthsoversea	How many months spent overseas?
honoluluactivities	Trouble finding interesting things in Honolulu?
honoluluvisit	How often do you go to Honolulu?
gasmasktype	Do you have a new or old type gas mask?
gastrainingimportance	How important is training in protection against gas attacks?
gasmaskusage	How often have you worn your gas mask on duty?
gasmaskusageopinion	Should soldiers wear their gas mask once per week?
gaschamber	How often have you been through a gas chamber?
gaschamberopinion	Should soldiers go through a gas chamber once a month?
gasmaskconf	Confidence in gas mask given a gas attack?
japangasattack	If Japan uses gas in an attack, can you protect yourself?
gasusageopinion	Should we use gas against Japan?
japangasopinion	How likely is Japan to use gas against us?
japangasamerknowledge	Do you know if Japan has used gas against American troops?
japangasaustknowledge	Do you know if Japan has used gas against Australian troops?
japangasbritknowledge	Do you know if Japan has used gas against British troops?
japangaschinknowledge	Do you know if Japan has used gas against Chinese troops?
orientmeetopinion	Are so-called orientation meetings worthwhile?
orientmeetfreq	How often do you attend orientation meetings?
orientmeetleadopinion	Would you prefer an officer or an enlisted man lead orientation meetings?
oriemtmeetknowledge	Does the presenter deliver the materials effectively?
orientmeetinterest	How many orientation meetings have been interesting?

orientmeetteach	Do orientation meetings teach why we are fighting the war?

usaffairsinterest	How interested are you in what is going on in the US?
usprobinterest	How interested are you in US problems post-war?
usworldaffairsinterest	How interested are you in US's part in world affairs post-war?
ussoldierretireinterest	How interested are you in plans for retiring US soldiers?
enemyfactsinterest	How interested are you in facts about our enemy: Germany and Japan?
allyfactsinterest	How interested are you in facts about our allies: England, Russia, China, etc.?
warjapaninterest	How interested are you in the progress of the war against Japan?
wargermaninterest	How interested are you in the progress of the war against Germany?
peaceprobinteret	How interested are you in problems of the peace?
centpacificinterest	How interested are you in the wartime importance of the Central Pacific?
postmeetchat	How often do the men chat about the material after an orientation meeting?
orientmeetpartic	Do men usually participate at orientation meetings?
orientmeetparticfreq	How often do you participate if given the chance at orientation meetings?
orientmeetofficerattend	Do company officers go to orientation meetings?
meetdiscussionofficers	Do men participate more or less when officers attend the meetings?
warintcentnear	Is there a war information center in or near your outfit?
warintcentusage	How often do you use the war information center?
warintcenthelpful	How informative are the maps at the war information center?
offdutycourseaware	Have you been told anything about off-duty educational courses?
offdutycourseinterest	Are you interested in taking a US Armed Forces Institute course?
calisthenimportant	How important is calisthenics in your training program?
swimimportant	How important is learning to swim in your training program?
orientimportant	How important is hearing orientation talks in your training program?
gasmaskimportant	How important is weekly gas mask usage in your training program?
drillimportant	How important is close order drill in your training program?
guncareimportant	How important is care and field-stripping guns in your training program?
dryfireimportant	How important is dry firing in your training program?
rangefireimportant	How important is firing on range in your training program?
firstaidimportant	How important is first aid in your training program?
gaschamberimportant	How important is going through gas chamber in your training program?
hikesimportant	How important are hikes in your training program?
obstcourseimportant	How important are obstacle courses in your training program?
chinarelatpostwar	How do you think we will get along with China post-war?
russrelatpostwar	How do you think we will get along with Russia post-war?
englrelatpostwar	How do you think we will get along with England post-war?
schedorientmeet	How often is the reported schedule of orientation meetings?
basechemwartrain	Did the air base have chemical warfare training?
serialnumstation	Serial numbers within station
use	US Should Use CW (=1)
dontuse	US Should Not Use CW/Undecided (=1)
firstuse	US Should Use CW Preemptively (=1)
seconduse	US Should Use CW in Retaliation (=1)
undecided	Not Sure if US Should Use CW (=1)

refrain	US Should Not Use CW (=1)
use3	Support for CW Use (3 Categories)?

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base	Airbase?
training	Training Regimen?
mask	Used Gas Mask (=1)
nomask	Never Used Gas Mask (=1)
mask_nr	Gas Mask Non-Response (=1)
nummask	Gas Mask Frequency?
nummask_miss	Gas Mask Frequency (Non-Response Dropped)?
chamber	Used Gas Chamber (=1)
nochamber	Never Used Gas Chamber (=1)
numchamber	Gas Chamber Frequency?
multiple_chamber	Multiple Exposure to Gas Chamber (=1)
newmask	New Gas Mask (=1)
confidence3	Confidence in Gas Mask?
highconfid	High Confidence in Gas Mask (=1)
lowconfid	Low Confidence in Gas Mask (=1)
protect3	Ability to Protect Yourself During Gas Attack?
highprotect	High Confidence in Ability to Protect Yourself During Gas Attack (=1)
lowprotect	Low Confidence in Ability to Protect Yourself During Gas Attack (=1)
gaslikelyuse	Japan Likely to Use CW (=1)
us_use	Japan Used CW on US (=1)
aus_use	Japan Used CW on Australia (=1)
brit_use	Japan Used CW on UK (=1)
china_use	Japan Used CW on China (=1)
use_history	Previous Use Against Allies (ICW) Index
correct_history	Knows History of CW Use Against Allies (=1)
orient_worth	Orientation Meetings Worthwhile (=1)
orient_meet	Attend Orientation Meetings Weekly (=1)
orient_nomeet	No Orientation Meetings Held (=1)
orient_offlead	Prefer Officers Lead Orientation Meetings (=1)
orient_enllead	Prefer Enlisted Men Lead Orientation Meetings (=1)
orient_offattend	Officers Attend Orientation Meetings (=1)
officers_talk	More Discussion When Officers Attend (=1)
orient_effective	Orientation Meetings Effective (=1)
orient_interest	Orientation Meetings Interesting (=1)
orient_teach	Orientation Meetings Teach About War (=1)
orient_partic	Men Participate in Orientation Meetings (=1)
orient_youpartic	You Participate in Orientation Meetings (=1)
orient_impt	Orientation Meetings Important (=1)
orient_talk	Men Chat After Orientation (=1)
orient_sched	Orientation Meetings Scheduled Weekly (=1)
orientation_particp	Orientation Participation (ICW) Index

orientation_learn	Orientation Learning (ICW) Index
orientation_officers	Officers' Leadership (ICW) Index
general_interest	General News Interest (ICW) Index
war_interest	War News Interest (ICW) Index
infocenter	Information Center (=1)
noinfocenter	No Information Center (=1)
infocenter_visit	Use Information Center 3+ Times Weekly (=1)
infocenter_help	Information Center is Helpful (=1)
information_center	Information Center Access (ICW) Index
incourse	In Off-Duty Course (=1)
offduty_courses	Off-Duty Course Interest (ICW) Index
honolulu_contact	Local Contact (ICW) Index
maskimpt	Important to Train in Gas Masks (=1)
chamberimpt	Important to Train in Gas Chamber (=1)
gas_training	Gas Training Favorability (ICW) Index
physical_training	Physical Fitness Training (ICW) Index
military_training	Military Skills Training (ICW) Index
ally_relations	Postwar Ally Relations (ICW) Index
iptw	Inverse Probability of Treatment Weights
complier	Complied With Treatment Assignment (=1)
pr_complier	Probability of Treatment Compliance
demweight	Demographic Entropy Weights
cem_strata1	CEM Strata – Matching Exposure vs. Not
cem_matched1	CEM Matched (=1) – Matching Exposure vs. Not
cem_weights1	CEM Weights – Matching Exposure vs. Not
cem_strata2	CEM Strata – Matching Multiple Exposure vs. Not
cem_matched2	CEM Matched (=1) – Matching Multiple Exposure vs. Not
cem_weights2	CEM Weights – Matching Multiple Exposure vs. Not
lowedu	Education Scale (Reverse Coded)
use_comply	US Should Use CW (=1) Conditional on Compliance with Assigned Training Regimen

Codebook for ams175_R.dta

- All of the above variables also appear in the ams175_R.dta file. The only difference between the ams175.dta file and the ams175_R.dta file is that the latter also includes indicators for the constituent categories of five variables: age, school, rankgrade, monthsoversea, and base. For instance, base has five categories corresponding to Hickam Airbase, Wheeler Airbase, Mokuleia Airbase, Bellows Airbase, and Kahulu Airbase. In ams175_R.dta we construct five separate indicators for each of these five categories.