Polity Size and the Congested Budget: Evidence from Italian Municipalities

Codebook

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This file describes the variables in the analysis dataset (*data.Rds*).

Dataset name:	data
Dataset size:	39.6 Mb
Column count:	44
Row count:	118,250
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Variable name	Description	Value
municipality_id	Unique municipality identifier (ISTAT code)	
year	Calendar year	Numeric
year_election	Year of election	Numeric
date_election	Date of election	Date
year_term	Year of government term: (year - year_election) + 1	Numeric
region_code	Code of region	Character
north	Region is in North of Italy	1 yes 0 no
province	Province name	Character
special_statute	Special-statute region (TRUE or FALSE)	TRUE yes FALSE no
census_pop	Census population	Numeric
councillors	Number of councillors	Numeric
exec_members	Number of members of executive committee	Numeric
share_councillors_with_degree	Share of councillors with university degree	Numeric
share_exec_members_with_degree	Share of members of executive committee with university degree	Numeric
exp_pc_plan	Planned expenditures per capita	Numeric
exp_pc_true	Actual expenditures per capita	Numeric
rev_pc_plan	Planned revenues per capita	Numeric
rev_pc_true	Actual revenues per capita	Numeric
deficit_pc_plan	Planned deficit per capita	Numeric
deficit_pc_true	Actual deficit per capita	Numeric
planned_rev	Planned revenues: all types of revenues	Numeric
planned_tax	Planned revenues: taxes	Numeric
planned_transfers	Planned revenues: transfers	Numeric

actual_rev	Actual revenues: all types of revenues	Numeric
actual_tax	Actual revenues: taxes	Numeric
actual_transfers	Actual revenues: transfers	Numeric
spending_capacity_ISTAT	Spending capacity (from ISTAT)	Numeric
collection_capacity_ISTAT	Collection capacity (from ISTAT)	Numeric
deficit_ISTAT	Budget deficit (from ISTAT)	Numeric
population_istat	Resident population	Numeric
surface_sq_km	Surface of municipality (sq.km)	Numeric
high_hydro_risk_surface	Surface of municipality (sq.km) at high hydrogeological risk	Numeric
low_hydro_risk_surface	Surface of municipality (sq.km) at low hydrogeological risk	Numeric
medium_hydro_risk_surface	Surface of municipality (sq.km) at medium hydrogeological risk	Numeric
population_density	Population density	Numeric
degree_mayor	Mayor has degree	1 yes 0 no
female_mayor	Mayor is female	1 yes 0 no
white_collar_mayor	Mayor had white collar job	1 yes 0 no
left_mayor	Mayor from left-wing party/list	1 yes 0 no
right_mayor	Mayor from right-wing party/list	1 yes 0 no
civic_mayor	Mayor from civic list	1 yes 0 no
share_employee_degree	Share of employees with university degree	Numeric
total_employees	Total number of employees	Numeric
avg_income_pc	Average income of residents	Numeric