Replication Package for "Whose Preferences Matter for Redistribution – Cross-Country Evidence"

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Instructions:

- Create folders *data*, *do*, and *output*.
- Store data files in *data* and do files in *do*. Generated datasets will be stored in *data*. Computed figures and tables will be stored in *output*.
- Run *prepare_data.do* for data cleaning and merging before running analyses do files.

Statistical software:

- Stata 16
- Additional packages:
  - egenmore: `ssc install egenmore`
  - kountry: `ssc install kountry`
  - gtools: `ssc install gtools`
  - ftools: `ssc install ftools`
  - labmask: download from `search labmask, sj`
  - binscatter2: `net install binscatter2, from("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/mdroste/stata-binscatter2/master/")`
  - reghdfe: `ssc install reghdfe`
  - erepost: `ssc install erepost`

Code:

- prepare_data.do
  Runs all data cleaning do files.
- prepare_data_wvs.do
  Cleans and merges WVS data with other datasets.
- prepare_data_wvs_wave34.do
  Cleans and merges WVS data from wave 3 and 4 with other datasets.
- prepare_data_wvs_wave56.do
  Cleans and merges WVS data from wave 5 and 6 with other datasets.
- prepare_data_issp.do
  Cleans and merges ISSP data with other datasets.
- main_figures.do
  Creates figures from main manuscript.
- main_tables.do
  Creates tables from main manuscript.
- appendix_figures.do
  Creates figures from online appendix.
- appendix_tables.do
  Creates tables from online appendix.
- appendix_top5.do
  Creates figures for redistributive preferences of America's Top 5% (Online Appendix D).

Data files:

- WVS_TimeSeries_4_0.dta
  WVS time series data version 4
- issp_cumul.dta
  ISSP cumulated data set for waves 1987, 1992, 1999, and 2009.
- issp_2009.dta
  ISSP data for wave 2009
- swiid8_3_summary.csv
  SWIID data version 8.3
- gdp_percapita_ppp.xls
  GDP data from the IMF
- imf_population.xls
  GDP data from the IMF
- DDCGdata_final.dta
  Democracy data from Acemoglu et al. (2019)
- polityiv_2017.dta
  Democracy data from Polity IV
- hief.csv
  Historical Index of Ethnic Fractionalization Dataset
- rpc_2020_comp.xlsx
  Data for alternative measures of redistribution from Arbetman-Rabinowitz et al. (2020).
- AYS World_Tax_Indicators_V1_Data.dta
  World Tax Indicators data from Andrew Young School of Policy Studies (2010).
- economiccon_data.xls
  Legal origins data from La Porta et al. (2008)
- expert_clean.dta
  Data of prediction study with experts
- laypeople_clean.dta
  Data of prediction study with laypeople
- experiment_data.dta
  Data for America's Top 5% redistributive preferences from Cohn et al. (2023)