CODEBOOK:
Public Opinion in the U.S. States: 1956 to 2010

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Abstract

This Codebook describes the over time state–level measures of public opinion developed in: Enns, Peter K. and Julianna Koch. Forthcoming. "Public Opinion in the U.S. States: 1956 to 2010" *State Politics and Policy Quarterly.* Contact Peter Enns (pe52@cornell.edu) with any questions.

The variables detailed below correspond with the Stata data file: `Enns_Koch_StateOpinionData.dta`. See Enns & Koch (N.d.) for full details and validation of the following measures.

Variables

1. **statename:** Identifies the cross-sectional units, which include the 50 states and Washington D.C.

2. **year:** Identifies the time series units, and ranges from 1956 to 2010 (annual data).

3. **mood:** An over time state–level measure of Stimson's (1999) policy mood, 1956 to 2010.

4. **democrat:** An over time measure of the percent of Democratic identifiers in each state, 1956 to 2010.

5. **republican:** An over time measure of the percent of Republican identifiers in each state, 1956 to 2010.

6. **liberal:** An over time measure of the percent who identify as political liberals in each state, 1976 to 2010.

7. **conservative:** An over time measure of the percent who identify as political conservatives in each state, 1976 to 2010.

8. **mood_d2:** An over time state–level measure of Stimson's (1999) *second dimension* of policy mood, 1956 to 2010.

References

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