Codebook for The Church as Arbiter

February 2025

Commune-level dataset

Variable	Definition	Source
cassini	Cassini ID	Gay (2021)
year	Year	Authors (AF yearbooks)
cath	Nb of Catholic Associations registered in the Journal Officiel	Authors (JO website)
rep	Nb of Republican Associations registered in the Journal Officiel	Authors (JO website)
Pasc	Share attending Easter Mass	Boix et al (2021)
deppct	Canton ID	Gay (2021)
nb_sect	Nb of AF Branches	Authors (AF yearbooks)
com_name	Name Municipality	Gay (2021)
above5	=1 if High La Croix Readership	Authors (from Cholvy and Hilaire, 2000)
left19	Vote share of the left in 1919	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1920)
nopol	=1 if Anti AF Bishop	Authors (from Prevotat, 2001)
pop1926	Population in 1926	Gay (2021)
AF_Meetings	Nb of Meetings of AF	Authors (from AF newspapers)
nb_sectpres	Nb of AF Branches with president	Authors (AF yearbooks)
nb_sectperm	Nb of AF Branches with permanence	Authors (AF yearbooks)

Canton-level dataset

Variable	Definition	Source
year	Year	Authors (AF yearbooks)
cath	Nb of Catholic Associations registered in the Journal Officiel	Authors (JO website)
rep	Nb of Republican Associations registered in the Journal Officiel	Authors (JO website)
Pasc	Share attending Easter Mass	Boix et al (2021)
deppct	Canton ID	Gay (2021)
pct_name_prop	Name of Canton	Gay (2021)
nb_sectperm	Nb of AF Branches with permanence	Authors (AF yearbooks)

Variable	Definition	Source
above5	=1 if High La Croix Readership	Authors (from Cholvy and Hilaire, 2000)
left19	Vote share of the left in 1919	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1920)
nopol	=1 if Anti AF Bishop	Authors (from Prevotat, 2001)
pop1926	Population in 1926	Gay (2021)
ext_dr36	Vote share of the extreme right in 1936	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1936)
ext_dr32	Vote share of the extreme right in 1932	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1932)
ext_dr28	Vote share of the extreme right in 1928	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1928)
right36	Vote share of the right in 1936	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1936)
right32	Vote share of the right in 1932	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1932)
right28	Vote share of the right in 1928	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1928)
mod_right36	Vote share of the moderate right in 1936	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1936)
mod_right32	Vote share of the moderate right in 1932	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1932)
mod_right28	Vote share of the moderate right in 1928	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1928)

Department-level dataset

Variable	Definition	Source
year	Year	Authors (AF yearbooks)
cath	Nb of Catholic Associations registered in the Journal Officiel	Authors (JO website)
rep	Nb of Republican Associations registered in the Journal Officiel	Authors (JO website)
Pasc	Share attending Easter Mass	Boix et al (2021)
Depnum	Departement ID	Authors
nb_sectperm	Nb of AF Branches with permanence	Authors (AF yearbooks)

Variable	Definition	Source
above5	=1 if High La Croix Readership	Authors (from Cholvy and Hilaire, 2000)
left19	Vote share of the left in 1919	Authors (from Lachapelle, 1920)
nopol	=1 if Anti AF Bishop	Authors (from Prevotat, 2001)
pop1926	Population in 1926	Gay (2021)
nb_day	Nb of Days of Political Violence	Tilly and Zambrano (1989)
partviol	Nb of Participants in Political Violence	Tilly and Zambrano (1989)

Diocese-level dataset

Variable	Definition	Source
year	Year	Authors (AF yearbooks)
dioc_num	ID Diocese	Gay (2021)
dioc_name	Diocese Name	Gay (2021)
evequenomme	Pope Appointing the Bishop (as in 1926)	Authors (from Prevotat, 2001)
civil_funeral_sum	Sum of Secular Burials up to a given year (without missing years)	Authors (from Prevotat, 2001)
secburial_total	Total Nb of Secular Burials	Authors (from Prevotat, 2001)
nb_sectperm	Nb of AF Branches with permanence	Authors (AF yearbooks)

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