Codebook: The Technocratic and Educational Dataset (TED)

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Basic Information

Name: The leader's name, minus any accents, umlauts, or other international characters.

Spell in power: The number of times the leader has been in office. Biographic information may change between leaders' spells in power.

Gender: female or male.

Birth Dates

- Birth year: year of birth (XXXX) Example: 1965
- Birth month: month of birth (XX) Example: 05 for May, 10 for October
- Birth day: day of birth (XX) Example: 01, 28

Entry Dates

- Year of Entry: year of entry (XXXX) Example: 1976
- Month of Entry: month of entry (XX) Example: 05 for May, 10 for October
- Day of Entry: day of entry (XX) Example: 01, 28

Exit Dates

- Year of Exit: year of exit (XXXX) Example: 1976
- Month of Exit: month of exit (XX) Example: 05 for May, 10 for October
- Day of Exit: day of exit (XX) Example: 01, 28

Education

Highest degree received: primary, secondary, undergraduate, graduate, military.

- Degrees that are not completed are not coded. For example, if someone finished high school and studied for a college degree, but didn't receive one, we coded "secondary."
- Many rulers attend military academies. When this happens, we code "military."

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Field: did the leader receive a degree in a field that could be considered technocratic? To include business, economics, finance, or public policy. 1 if yes, 0 if no

List of universities attended: University names separated by commas with no space in between. If military academies, we record them as universities.

University name for the highest degree. "none" if no degree attained.

University location for the highest degree (country): "none" if no degree attained.

Studied abroad at all? 1 if yes, 0 if no

US university for any degree? 1 if yes, 0 if no

"Prestigious" US university (Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Cornell, U. Pennsylvania, Columbia, Dartmouth, Brown, Stanford, Chicago) for any degree? 1 if yes, 0 if no

University in UK, France for any degree 1 if yes, 0 if no

"Prestigious" European university (Oxford, Cambridge, London School of Economics, Sorbonne, Sciences-Po, INSEAD) for any degree? 1 if yes, 0 if no

Received a degree from a top-50 worldwide university? 1 if yes, 0 if no

Work Experience

Major money center bank (Goldman Sachs, JP Morgan Chase, Morgan Stanley, Merrill Lynch, Bear Stearns, Lehman Brothers, Citigroup, Deutsche Bank, UBS, Credit Suisse, Barclays, HSBC, Société Générale)? 1 if yes, 0 if no

IMF? 1 if yes, 0 if no

World Bank? 1 if yes, 0 if no

UN? 1 if yes, 0 if no

WTO/GATT? 1 if yes, 0 if no

Regional development bank (Inter-American Development Bank, European Central Bank, African Development Bank, Asian Development Bank)? 1 if yes, 0 if no

Businessman? 1 if yes, 0 if no

Job that only an economist or policy expert could have? (central banker, finance minister) 1 if yes, 0 if no

Other

Family class: poor, middle, or rich?

Lived in the US or W. Europe for 5 years before power? 1 if yes, 0 if no