Codebook for "Social Preferences: Measuring Private, Public and Group Preferences through Focus Groups"

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1 Codebook for Data.IndividualLevel.csv

This dataset consists of individual-level preference measures and covariates measured quantitatively within 80 focus groups held in 2016. Additional variables are coded from the original variables listed here in "2.CodeVariables.R". See Codebook Table 3 for the coded variables. The R data frame is named "D".

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Table 1: Individual level codebook

Variable	Source	Description
VILLID	Assigned in Dictionary	Unique Identification number for each village, 1-3 and 5-21
FGID	Assigned in Dictionary	Focus Group Number 1-4 for each village
FEMALE	Assigned in Dictionary	Focus group with men or with women; 0=Male, 1=Female
IID	Assigned in Dictionary	Individual identification number (Subgroup 1,2,3, or 4; then Person A, B, C, D)
AGE	Focus Group Measurement	Age in years as coded verbally at outset of focus groups
EDU	Focus Group Measurement	Education is coded based on the French education system levels 1-3, 0=no school, 1, 1.1, 1.2... 1.6 for primary; 2, 2.1... 2.6 for secondary; 3, 3.1... 3.3 for higher education.)
RENCONAN	Focus Group Measurement	Frequency of meeting others in the village: 1=less than several times per month, 2=several times per week, 3=several times mer month; 4=each day
VIVEVILLN	Focus Group Measurement	Years in village is coded categorically, where 1=less than 5 years, 2=between 5 and 10 years, 3=between 10 and 20 years, and 4=more than 20 years OR entire life

Table 1: Individual level codebook *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
GUERREAPRES2011	Survey with Village Chief from 2015 see codebook for Data.VillageMatching2011	Village exposure to violence by armed groups after 2011
VFGID3	Focus Group Design Component	Unique Focus Group Identifer (Village Number followed by focus group number)
SGID	Focus Group Design Component	Subgroup Assignment within each Focus Group for Quantitative Measurement series measuring preferences for punishment
HOMOGENE	Focus Group Design Component	Dichotomous Variable indicating whether the respondent Subgroup is heterogeneous=0 or homogeneous=1 in terms of education
HHL.FAC	Focus Group Design Component	Factor Variable indicating whether the respondent Subgroup is heterogeneous='HETERO', homogeneous high education ='HOMO.HIGH', or homogeneous ='HOMO.LOW' in terms of education
PRI1C1	Focus Group Measurement	Private Preference for punishing the 1st crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.

Table 1: Individual level codebook *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
PRI1C2	Focus Group Measurement	Private Preference for punishing the 2nd crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.
PRI1C3	Focus Group Measurement	Private Preference for punishing the 3rd crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.
PUB1C1	Focus Group Measurement	Public Preference for punishing the 1st crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.
PUB1C2	Focus Group Measurement	Public Preference for punishing the 2nd crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.
PUB1C3	Focus Group Measurement	Public Preference for punishing the 3rd crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.
GCHOIX1	Focus Group Measurement	Group Choice for punishing the 1st crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.

Table 1: Individual level codebook *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
GCHOIX2	Focus Group Measurement	Group Choice for punishing the 2nd crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.
GCHOIX3	Focus Group Measurement	Group Choice for punishing the 3rd crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.
PRI2C1	Focus Group Measurement	Post-discussion Private Preference for punishing the 1st crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.
PRI2C2	Focus Group Measurement	Post-discussion Private Preference for punishing the 2nd crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.
PRI2C3	Focus Group Measurement	Post-discussion Private Preference for punishing the 3rd crime presented in the focus group; 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating.

2 Codebook for Data.FGPunishmentRankings.csv

Focus-group level data include both the order with which crimes were presented to focus groups and data that emerged from the full focus group discussions, primarily each focus group's final ranking of punishments in terms of severity (which is used to verify and refine the punishment severity scale). The R data frame is named "D2".

The focus-group level variables described here are merged with the individual level data in the coding file, "2.CodeVariables.R", to generate the R data frame D3.

Table 2: Codebook for Data.FGPunishmentRankings.csv

Variable	Source	Description
VILLID	Dictionary Assignment	Unique Identification number for each village, 1-3 and 5-21
FGID	Dictionary Assignment	4 Focus Groups in each Village, 1,2,3,4, unique when combined with VILLID
C1	Focus Group Randomization order as implemented	1st Crime Presented in Focus Group, Rape(VIOL) DV(DomesticViolence) or Stealing(VOL)
C2	Focus Group Randomization order as implemented	2nd Crime Presented in Focus Group, Rape(VIOL) DV(DomesticViolence) or Stealing(VOL)
C3	Focus Group Randomization order as implemented	3rd Crime Presented in Focus Group, Rape(VIOL) DV(DomesticViolence) or Stealing(VOL)
P1	Focus Groups (Qualitative Section)	Ordinal Punishment Severity for Counsel Fellow Villager, 1=least severe,2,3,4,5=most severe
P2	Focus Groups (Qualitative Section)	Ordinal Punishment Severity for Chief Demands Payment of Fine, 1=least severe,2,3,4,5=most severe

Table 2: Codebook for Data.FGPunishmentRankings.csv *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
P3	Focus Groups (Qualitative Section)	Ordinal Punishment Severity for Expulsion from Village,1=least severe,2,3,4,5=most severe
P4	Focus Groups (Qualitative Section)	Ordinal Punishment Severity for 20 Years in Prison, 1=least severe,2,3,4,5=most severe
P5	Focus Groups (Qualitative Section)	Ordinal Punishment Severity for Beating to Near Death, 1=least severe,2,3,4,5=most severe

3 Codebook for Crime-specific punishment preferences (2.CodeVariables.R)

The individual level ("Data.IndividualLevel.csv") and focus group level data ("Data.FGPunishmentRankings.csv") are merged in the the R file "2.CodeVariables.R" to generate the R data frame "D3". From this merged data frame, many variables are coded, including primary outcome measures such as crime-specific preference severity for private, public group and post-discussion private preferences and preference convergence outcomes. Coding of these variables is described below and found in "2.CodeVariables.R".

Table 3: Variables Coded from Original Data

Variable	Source	Description
LEVIOL.FG	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Implemented focus group presentation order number for crime of Rape (Viol), 1,2 or 3
LEVOL.FG	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Implemented focus group presentation order number for crime of Domestic Violence (Violence Domestique), 1,2 or 3

Table 3: Variables Coded from Original Data *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
LAVIOLENCEDOMESTIQUE.FG	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Implemented focus group presentation order number for crime of Stealing (Vol), 1,2 or 3
PRIV1.VOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Private Preference for punishing Stealing: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating
PRIV1.DV	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Private Preference for punishing Domestic Violence: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating
PRIV1.VIOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Private Preference for punishing Rape: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating
PRIV2.VOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Post-discussion Private Preference for punishing Stealing: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating
PRIV2.DV	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Post-discussion Preference for punishing Domestic Violence: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating
PRIV2.VIOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Post-discussion Preference for punishing Rape: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating

Table 3: Variables Coded from Original Data *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
PUB1.VOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Public Preference for punishing Stealing: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating
PUB1.DV	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Public Preference for punishing Domestic Violence: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating
PUB1.VIOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Public Preference for punishing Rape: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating
GCHOIX.VOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Group Choice Preference for punishing Stealing: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating
GCHOIX.DV	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Group Choice Preference for punishing Domestic Violence: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating
GCHOIX.VIOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Group Choice Preference for punishing Rape: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison, 5=beating
PRIV1.RC2.VIOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Private Preference for punishing Rape: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating

Table 3: Variables Coded from Original Data *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
PRIV2.RC2.VIOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Post-Discussion Private Preference for punishing Rape: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating
PUB1.RC2.VIOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Public Preference for punishing Rape: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating
GCHOIX.RC2.VIOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Group Choice Preference for punishing Rape: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating
PRIV1.RC2.VOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Private Preference for punishing Stealing: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating
PRIV2.RC2.VOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Post-Discussion Private Preference for punishing Stealing: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating
PUB1.RC2.VOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Public Preference for punishing Stealing: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating
GCHOIX.RC2.VOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Group Choice Preference for punishing Stealing: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating

Table 3: Variables Coded from Original Data *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
PRIV1.RC2.DV	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Private Preference for punishing Domestic Violence: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating
PRIV2.RC2.DV	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Post-Discussion Private Preference for punishing Domestic Violence: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating
PUB1.RC2.DV	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Public Preference for punishing Domestic Violence: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating
GCHOIX.RC2.DV	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Group Choice Preference for punishing Domestic Violence: 1=counsel, 2=payment, 3=expulsion, 4=prison or beating
FGMEAN.PRIV1.DV	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Wife-beating: Absolute value of distance between an individual's private preference and the focus group mean private preference
FGMEAN.PRIV1.VOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Theft: Absolute value of distance between an individual's private preference and the focus group mean private preference

Table 3: Variables Coded from Original Data *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
FGMEAN.PRIV1.VIOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Rape: Absolute value of distance between an individual's private preference and the focus group mean private preference
FGMEAN.PRIV2.DV	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Wife-beating: Absolute value of distance between an individual's post-discussion private preference and the focus group mean post-discussion private preference
FGMEAN.PRIV2.VOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Theft: Absolute value of distance between an individual's post-discussion private preference and the focus group mean post-discussion private preference
FGMEAN.PRIV2.VIOL	Coded in File 2.CodeVariables.R	Rape: Absolute value of distance between an individual's post-discussion private preference and the focus group mean post-discussion private preference

4 Codebook for Data.VillageMatching2011.csv

This dataset is relevant to the sampling procedure of the 20 villages where focus groups were conducted. It is used only to generate Appendix Table A.1.

Data.VillageMatching2011.csv consists of village means from panel data collected in 2011 (Humphreys, Sierra, and Windt 2015) and 2015 (Laudati, Mvukiyehe, and Van der Windt 2020),

both available on Dataverse. In this codebook, I describe the coding of each variable and indicate its source, noting the original question number. While village means are included and coding described, Village IDs are altered and not connected to original data sources for several reasons. First, when the matching procedure was undertaken, the 2015 Tuungane data were not open source. However, variables are now available for download and described in detail on Dataverse (Humphreys, Sierra, and Windt 2015), where researchers can access the data and replicate coding as described in this codebook. Deidentification of data is pursued in accordance with human subjects privacy protections (Columbia University IRB Protocols AAAQ5105 and AAAQ9306).

Table 4: Data.VillageMatching2011.csv Codebook

Variable	Source	Description
VILLID	Matching Procedure	Village Identification Number from 1 through 21, missing VILLID=4 which attrited
genderatt11.mean	Tuungane 2015 Chief Survey	Harmful Gender Attitudes: Village means of agreement level with statement 'According to our customs, women are always submissive and should remain as such' (qg008_women) 1=strongly disagree, 2=disagree, 3=neither, 4=agree, 5=strongly agree.
mistreat11.mean	Tuungane 2015 Chief Survey	Mistreat Women: Village means of agreement level with the statement 'According to our customs, women should not complain if their husbands mistreat them' (qg009_mistreatment) 1=strongly disagree, 2=disagree, 3=neither, 4=agree, 5=strongly agree

Table 4: Data.VillageMatching2011.csv Codebook *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
violence11.mean	Matching Procedure	Tolerate Violence: Village means of agreement with statement 'When it is difficult to obtain a satisfactory response to our demands, we sometimes have to resort to the use of violence' (qg004_violence) 1=strongly disagree, 2=disagree, 3=neither, 4=agree, 5=strongly agree
domviol.mean	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Domestic Violence: Difference in Village means of respondents randomized to receive sensitive item (4 items total) measure and control (3 items total) in list experiment; coded from V7_Sensible_Securite and q9698_sensitive
sexviol.mean	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Sexual Violence: Difference in Village means of respondents randomized to receive sensitive item (4 items total) measure and control (3 items total) in list experiment; coded from V7_Sensible_Securite and q9697_sensitive
earnincome.mean	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Earning Income: Village means or proportion of respondents earning some income in the past week (qe009_amount_money), where >0 Congolese Francs earned in the past week is coded as 1, and 0 is coded as noincome

Table 4: Data.VillageMatching2011.csv Codebook *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
cotrust.mean	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Coethnic Trust: Village means of level a trust in having a coethnic to go to market (for the respondent) if the respondent cannot go (q043_trust_coeth), where 0=no, 1= possible, 2=probably, 3=certainly
trustcoethmore.mean	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Trust Coethnics More than non-coethnics: Village means of extent to which a respondent is more trusting of coethnics than noncoethnics for same question as above (q043_trust_noncoethnic)
stolenbike.mean	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Stolen bike (security): Village means of how likely it is that, if an individual forgot to bring a bike inside for the evening, it will be stolen (q094_leave_bike) 0=impossible, 1=not very likely, 2=50-50 chance, 3=very likely,4=certainly
pca1.mean	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Wealth PCA1: Village means of 1st Principal Component calculated from 21 items owned by the household (1= own item, 0=otherwise, in qe001_a to qe001_u)
pca2.mean	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Wealth PCA2: Village means of 2nd Principal Component calculated from 21 items owned by the household (1= own item, 0=otherwise, in qe001_a to qe001_u)

Table 4: Data.VillageMatching2011.csv Codebook *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
pca3.mean	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Wealth PCA3: Village means of 3rd Principal Component calculated from 21 items owned by the household (1= own item, 0=otherwise, in qe001_a to qe001_u)
ef1	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Ethnic Fractionalization in Village: Calculated using the Herfindahl concentration index as 1-squared proportion of each group in the village (variables cq013_a_group_percentage through cq013_f_group_percentage)
warsince1996	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Violence by armed groups since 1996 = 1, Otherwise = 0, coded from questions ec062, ec063 and ec065
wars19962011	Tuungane 2011 Household Survey	Violence by armed groups in village between 1996 and 2011 (not including 2011) = 1, Otherwise = 0, coded from questions ec062, ec063 and ec065
warsince2011	Tuungane 2015 Chief Survey	Violence by armed groups in village between 2011 and 2015 = 1, Otherwise = 0, coded from questions ec062, ec063 and ec065
forest	Tuungane 2015 Chief Survey	Forest Nearby: ec056_villageforest = 1 if nearby, 0 Otherwise
mountains	Tuungane 2015 Chief Survey	Mountains Nearby: ec058_villagemountains = 1 if nearby, 0 Otherwise
mine	Tuungane 2015 Chief Survey	Mine Nearby: ec057_villagemine = 1 if nearby, 0 Otherwise

Table 4: Data.VillageMatching2011.csv Codebook *(continued)*

Variable	Source	Description
T1	Tuungane 2011 Dictionary	IRC Tuungane Intervention Treatment Village=1, Control Village=0

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