Codebook for Mattes and Weeks: "Apology Diplomacy: The International Image Effects of Interstate Apologies"

Note: This codebook provides a description of the processed variables that we use in the analyses mentioned in the paper or appendix. Please see the do-file for full details about variable construction.

Study	Variable name	Description
	Randomized Treatments	
Study 1 & 2	dem	sender democratic regime (1 = yes, 0 = no)
Study 1	backlash	sender domestic backlash (1 = yes, 0 = no)
Study 1	accept	target accepts apology (1 = yes, 0 = no)
Study 1	apol	apology (0= no apol, 1= 'short' apol w/out info on backlash or accept, 2= rejected apol w/backlash, 3= rejected apol w/out backlash, 4= accepted apol w/backlash, 5=accepted apol w/out backlash
Study 2	apol	apology (-1 = explicit no-apology, 0 = no mention, 1 = apology)
	Dependent Variables and Mediators	
Study 1 & 2	dv_fav	100 = very or somewhat favorable, 0 otherwise
Study 1 & 2	dv_coop	100 = increase cooperation, 0 otherwise
Study 1 & 2	dv_buy	100 = definitely or probably not avoid buying, 0 otherwise
Study 1	dv_weak	100 = disagree strongly or somewhat that "Russia is a force to be reckoned with", 0 otherwise
Study 2	dv_weak	100 = disagree strongly or somewhat that "Russia is a weak country", 0 otherwise
Study 1 & 2	mech_threat	100 = agree strongly or somewhat that "Russia represents a threat", 0 otherwise
Study 1 & 2	mech_values	100 = a lot or some confidence in Russia "doing the right thing", 0 otherwise
Study 1 & 2	mech_status	100 = agree strongly or somewhat that "Russia has a lot of status", 0 otherwise
Study 2	mech_mil	100 = agree strongly or somewhat that "Russia has a lot of military power", 0 otherwise
Study 1 & 2	mech_sincere	100 = agree strongly or somewhat that "Russia feels that its invasion of Ukraine was wrong", 0 otherwise
	Control Variables: Attitudinal and Demographic Variables	
Study 1 & 2	conservative	ideology: 1 = extremely liberal → 7 = extremely conservative
Study 1 & 2	pid10	party ID: 1 = Strong Democrat → 10 = Strong Republican
Study 1 & 2	male	1 = identifies as male, 0 otherwise
Study 1 & 2	age	Age in years
Study 1 & 2	white	1 = identifies as White, 0 otherwise

Study 1 & 2	college	education: 1 = college degree, 0 otherwise
Study 1 & 2	hawk5	hawkishness: 0 = most dovish → 1 = most hawkish
Study 1 & 2	trust	trust other countries: 0 = most distrusting → 1 = most trusting
Study 1 & 2	polint	political interest: 0 = follow politics "hardly at all" → 1 = "most of the time"
Study 1 & 2	particip	political participation scale: 0 = min → 1 = max
Study 1 & 2	relig_impt	how important religion is to subject: 0 = min → 1 = max
Study 1 & 2	enemy2	perception of Russia as an enemy: 1 = perceive Russia as "unfriendly" or "enemy", 0 otherwise
	Component Variables for Elite Samples	
Study 1	highinc	High income: 1 = income > sample median, 0 otherwise
Study 1	male	1 = identifies as male, 0 otherwise
Study 1	higheduc	High education: 1 = college degree or higher, 0 otherwise
Study 1	primeage	1 = 40-65 years, 0 otherwise
Study 1	polinthi	High Political Interest: 1 = follow politics some or most of the time, 0 otherwise
	Variables for Subgroup Analysis	
Study 1	hawk	1= disagree somewhat or strongly that "The use of military force only makes problems worse."
Study 1	dove	1= agree somewhat or strongly that "The use of military force only makes problems worse."
Study 1	pid3	Party ID: 1= Democrat, 2= Independent or 3rd, 3= Republican
Study 1 & 2	enemy2	perception of Russia as an enemy: 1 = perceive Russia as "unfriendly" or "enemy", 0 = perceive Russia as "ally" or "friendly"
Study 1 & 2	male	1 = identifies as male, 0= women/nonbinary
Study 2	plus40	above 40yrs: 1 = age>39, 0 otherwise
Study 2	below40	Under 40yrs: 1 = age<30, 0 otherwise
Study 2	right	Rightwing attitudes: 1 = left >= median of left "On a scale of 1 (left) and 10 (right), where would you classify your own political views?", 0 = left > median of left
Study 2	highauth	High on authoritarianism: 1 = authscale >= sample median; 0 < sample median. Authscale is an additive index of six different questions (auth_1-auth_6).
Study 2	demnormslow	Low democratic norms: 1 = demnorms < sample median; 0 = demnorms >= sample median. Demnorms is an additive index of four different questions (demnorms_1-demnorms_4).