

Dataset of the Members of the of the National Assembly of Serbia, 1997-2020

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Overview

This is a codebook for the dataset of the members of the National Assembly of Serbia. Data were collected from the website of the National Assembly [link] and Otvoreni parlament [link] and further populated using publicly available sources. The dataset covers the period of 1997-2020 and counts eight terms and 1304 individual MPs.

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Variables

The dataset contains 18 variables. The following overview presents all of them. Each variable is accompanied by a data type - [*character*] for a string of text; [*numeric*] for numbers; and date format for dates, e.g. [*yyyy*].

codemp

Unique code assigned to an MP; can be used for merging the corpus data with meta information collected on MPs. [*character*]

order_id

Order ID in the dataset. [*numeric*]

term1

Term duration. [*yyyy-yyyy*]

term2

Official numeric denominator for consecutive terms. The dataset covers eight terms (4th - 11th). [*numeric*]

term_id

Unique ID per term. [*numeric*]

type_of_list

Type of list from which the data was primarily collected. *Various* refers to various sources combining scraping and text mining. *Normal* refers to official records of active MPs listed on the website of the National Assembly. *Finished* refers to official records of MPs on the website of National Assembly who finished their term sooner and were replaced by other MPs (for whatever reason). [*character*]

fullname

MP's full name. *lastname, firstname* format. [*character*]

firstname

MP's first name. [*character*]

lastname

MP's last name. [*character*]

party

Party affiliation. [*character*]

date_of_birth

Date of birth. [format *yyyymmdd*]

year_of_birth

Year of birth. [format *yyyy*]

gender

Dummy variable for gender - (1) for female, (0) for male. [*numeric*]

place_of_birth

Place of birth. [*character*]

field_of_study

Categorical variable for the field of study: (1) humanities; (2) technical; (3) science; (4) economy; (5) law; (6) medicine; (7) security/military. [*numeric*]

education_y

Years spent in school based on reported education. A simple coding scheme was applied: high-school diploma (12); higher education and vocational training at a non-university institution or the first level of university studies (14); undergraduate study programs (16); graduate study programs (18); doctoral programs (22). [*numeric*]

bp_lat

Latitude coordinates for the place of birth. [*numeric*]

bp_lon

Longitude coordinates for the place of birth. [*numeric*]