

Dataset of Political Parties active in the National Assembly of Serbia, 1997-2020

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Overview

This is a codebook for the dataset of parties active in 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 with 167 party-entries and one broad coalition - Democratic opposition of Serbia (DOS). We decided to include DOS as a data entry on its own as many MPs declared their party affiliation to the coalition rather than the parties that originally nominated them.

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Variables

The dataset contains 14 variables. The following overview presents all of them. Each variable is accompanied by a data type - [*character*] for a string of text and [*numeric*] for numbers.

codeparty

Unique code assigned to a party; can be used for merging the corpus data with the meta-information collected on parties. [*character*]

term1

Term duration. [*yyyy-yyyy*]

term2

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

party

Party acronym. [*character*]

full_name

Full name in the local language. [*character*]

established

Year of the establishment. [*numeric*]

chairman

Chairman (usually the head of the party; sometimes the acting leader) [*character*]

ideology_LR

Left - Right ideology scale (1-5): (1) left — (2) center-left — (3) center — (4) center-right — (5) right. [*numeric*]

party_family

Party family affiliation (1-9): (1) Christian Democrats/Conservatives; (2) Social Democrats; (3) Liberals; (4) Greens; (5) Left Socialists; (6) Right-wing (populists); (7) Far-right (extreme-right); (8) Regionalist; (9) Minorities. [*numeric*]

election_result

Election result for a party in the parliamentary election (%). [*numeric*]

no_seats

The number of seats a party received in the parliament after the election. [*numeric*]

coalition

Dummy variable for running in coalition: (1) yes; (0) no. [*numeric*]

coalition_composition

Members of the coalition. [*character*]

ruling

Dummy variable for being part of the ruling coalition (1) or not (0). *Note for the 9th term: G17 Plus and ZZŠ (as members of URS) were part of the government from 27 July 2012 to 2 September 2013.* [*numeric*]