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**troopdata-package**

*Tools for Analyzing Cross-National Military Deployment and Basing Data*

**Description**

Generate customized data frames containing U.S. military deployment data

**Details**

The `troopdata` package contains functions for generating customized data sets on U.S. military deployment data and U.S. overseas basing data. The data contain country identifiers that can be used to merge these data with other data to analyze trends in the United States’ overseas military posture.

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**References**

[https://m-flynn.com/](https://m-flynn.com/) [https://github.com/meflynn/troopdata](https://github.com/meflynn/troopdata)

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**basedata**

*Vine’s U.S. basing data*

**Description**

`basedata` returns a data frame containing David Vine’s US basing data.

**Usage**

`basedata`
**builddata**

**Format**
A data frame with country-base observations including the following variables:

- **countryname**: A character vector of country names.
- **ccode**: A numeric vector of Correlates of War country codes.
- **iso3c**: A character vector of ISO three character country codes.
- **basename**: Name of the facility.
- **lat**: The facility’s latitude.
- **lon**: The facility’s longitude.
- **base**: Binary indicator identifying the facility as a major base or not.
- **lilypad**: A binary indicator identifying the facility as a lilypad or not. Vine codes lilypads as less than 200 personnel or “other site” designation in Pentagon reports.
- **fundedsite**: A binary variable indicating whether or not the facility is a host-state base funded by the US.

**Value**
Returns the full data frame containing country observations of US military bases from the Cold War period through 2018.

**Source**

https://dra.american.edu/islandora/object/auislandora%3A81234

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**Description**
builddata returns a data frame containing geocoded location-project-year overseas military construction spending data.

**Usage**
builddata

**Format**
A data frame with country-base observations including the following variables:

- **countryname**: A character vector of country names.
- **ccode**: A numeric vector of Correlates of War country codes.
- **year**: Year of observed country-year spending.
- **iso3c**: A character vector of ISO three character country codes.
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location  Name of the facility where spending occurred, or host country where detailed facility information is unavailable.
spend_construction  Total obligational authority associated with the observed location-year in thousands of current US dollars.
lat  The facility’s latitude.
lon  The facility’s longitude.

Value

Returns the full data frame containing location-project-year observations of U.S. military construction spending data from 2008-2019.

get_basedata  Function to retrieve customized U.S. basing data

Description

get_basedata() generates a customized data frame containing data obtained from David Vine’s U.S. basing data.

Usage

get_basedata(host = NA, country_count = FALSE, groupvar = NULL)

Arguments

host  The Correlates of War (COW) numeric country code or ISO3C code for the host country or countries in the series
country_count  Logical. Should the function return a country-level count of the total number of bases or the country-site data
groupvar  A character string indicating how country count totals should be generated. Accepted values are 'countryname', 'ccode', or 'iso3c'. Can take on Required when using country_count argument.

Details

Our research team updated these data through 2018.

Value

get_basedata() returns a data frame containing information on U.S. military bases present within selected host countries. This can be customized to include country-base observations or country-count observations.

Author(s)

Michael E. Flynn
get_builddata

References


Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(tidyverse)
library(troopdata)

example <- get_basedata(host = NA)

head(example)

## End(Not run)
```

get_builddata Function to retrieve customized U.S. construction spending data.

Description

get_builddata() generates a customized data frame containing location-project-year observations of U.S. military construction and housing spending in thousands of current dollars.

Usage

get_builddata(host = NA, startyear, endyear)

Arguments

- **host**
  - The Correlates of War (COW) numeric country code or ISO3C code for the host country or countries in the series

- **startyear**
  - The first year for the series

- **endyear**
  - The last year for the series

Value

get_builddata() returns a data frame containing location-project-year observations of U.S. military construction and housing spending in thousands of current dollars.

Author(s)

Michael E. Flynn
References


Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(tidyverse)
library(troopdata)

example <- get_builddata(host = NA, startyear = 2008, endyear = 2019)

head(example)

## End(Not run)
```

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**get_troopdata**  
*Function to retrieve customized U.S. troop deployment data*

**Description**

get_troopdata() generates a customized data frame containing country-year observations of U.S. military deployments overseas.

**Usage**

```r
get_troopdata(host = NA, branch = FALSE, startyear, endyear)
```

**Arguments**

- **host**: The Correlates of War (COW) numeric country code or ISO3C code for the host country or countries in the series
- **branch**: Logical. Should the function return a single vector containing total troop values or multiple vectors containing total values and values for individual branches? Default is FALSE.
- **startyear**: The first year for the series
- **endyear**: The last year for the series

**Value**

get_troopdata() returns a data frame containing country-year observations for U.S. troop deployments.
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Author(s)
Michael E. Flynn

References

Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(tidyverse)
library(troopdata)

eexample <- get_troopdata(host = NA, branch = TRUE, startyear = 1980, endyear = 2015)

head(example)

## End(Not run)
```

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**troopdata**

*U.S. overseas troop deployment data*

Description

*troopdata* returns a data frame containing information on US military deployments.

Usage

```r
troopdata
```

Format

A data frame with country year observations including the following variables:

countryname A character vector of country names.
ccode A numeric vector of Correlates of War country codes.
iso3c A character vector of ISO three character country codes.
region Correlates of War geographic region name.
year The year of the observation.
troops The total number of US military personnel deployed to the host country.
**army** Total number of Army personnel deployed to the host country.

**navy** Total number of Navy personnel deployed to the host country.

**air_force** Total number of Air Force personnel deployed to the host country.

**marine_corps** Total number of Marine Corps personnel deployed to the host country.

**Value**

Returns the full data frame containing country-year observations of US military deployments to overseas locations (countries and territories) from 1950 through 2020.

**Source**

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