Protest Data for The Political, Economic, and Social Effects of the United States’ Overseas Military Presence Codebook

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Introduction

This document serves as the codebook for the protest data portion of the Minerva Research Initiative funded project, “The Political, Economic, and Social Effects of the United States’ Overseas Military Presence.” These data contains country-month observations and three variables measuring the number of protest events for three different types of protests. The aim of the project is to understand how individuals may organize and protest in their country and whether those protests target the United States government or the United States military. We contracted with Virtual Research Associates to machine code event data and constructed this data set based on the protest event data recorded by global electronic news feeds.
Data and Variables

stateabb  Contains the abbreviation for the country.
ccode  Correlates of War numerical country code.
year  Observed year.
month  Observed month.
protestcount  Number of all protests in observed country-month.
milprotests  Number of protests targeting the U.S. military in observed country-month.
antiusprotests  Number of protests targeting the U.S. in observed country-month.