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1. Title

- World Countries Homicide Rate, 1500-2000.

2. Author(s)

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3. Production date

- 2-6-2015.

4. Version

- 2nd version.

5. Variable group(s)

- Institutions

6. Variable(s)

- Homicide rates

7. Unit of analysis

- Number of deaths per 100.000 inhabitants

8. Keywords (5)

- Institutions, homicide rate, world countries

9. Abstract (200 words)

- The World Countries Homicide rate dataset comprises information on the numbers of deaths classified as homicide per 100.000 inhabitants per each country for the period 1800-2000. Data has been gathered and organized in 1-year intervals, using as geographical reference the current list of existing world countries.

10. Time period

- 1800-2000.

11. Geographical coverage

- Entire World.

12. Methodologies used for data collection and processing

- This dataset is a slightly revised version of the one produced by Winny Bierman and Jan Luiten van Zanden in April 2014. Most of the added data in this version has been found in statistical yearbooks, either from individual countries themselves or from the World Health Organziation and the United Nations (see legend in the worksheet). Some remarks should be made on data for the following countries and years:

* Poland:
  + 1929-1931; 1937: homicide rate covers only cities with >100.000 inhabitants
  + 1932-1936: rate of people sentenced with homicide
* Switzerland:
  + Eisner: period 1800-1874 covers only the Canton of Zurich
* Italy:
  + Eisner: 1800-1869 excludes estimates from Sardinia, these figures are treated separately in Eisners paper.
* Brazil
  + 1944: rate covers only 21 cities
* Iran
  + 1979: rate covers only cities
* Japan
  + 1911-1936: rate of persons sentenced with homicide
* Israel
  + 1948: only Jewish population
* Turkey:
  + 1940-1948: rate of people sentenced with homicide
  + 1960-1972 including operations of war
* South Africa
  + 1938-1947: only European population

13. Data quality

i. Central statistical agencies

ii. Historical reconstructions

iii. Estimates

iv. Conjectures

14. Period of collection

- April 2015.

15. Data collector

- Jonathan Fink-Jensen

16. Sources

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