**Codebook for “ge2018.csv”**

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**Overview**

The following codebook contains information on the variables contained in the ge2018.csv dataset on the 2018 Malaysian general election. Information includes (1) the variable type, (2) a brief description, and (3) the data source.

**DISTNO [Unique Key]**

*Type:* Factor

*Description:* DISTNO indicates the official code number of the parliamentary district.

*Source*: Malaysian Electoral Commission (http://www.spr.gov.my)

**STATE**

*Type:* Factor

*Description:* STATE indicates the name of the state or federal territory within which a given parliamentary seat was located.

*Source*: Malaysian Electoral Commission (http://www.spr.gov.my)

**DISTNAME**

*Type:* Factor

*Description:* DISTNAME indicates the official name of the parliamentary district.

*Source*: Malaysian Electoral Commission (http://www.spr.gov.my)

**VOTERS**

*Type:* Numeric

*Description:* VOTERS indicates the number of registered voters in the district.

*Source*: Malaysian Electoral Commission (http://www.spr.gov.my)

**VOTESBN**

*Type:* Numeric

*Description:* VOTESBN indicates the number of valid votes cast for the *Barisan Nasional* (BN – National Front) candidate in the district.

*Source*: Malaysian Electoral Commission (http://www.spr.gov.my)

**VOTESPH**

*Type:* Numeric

*Description:* VOTESPH indicates the number of valid votes case for the *Pakatan Harapan* (PH – Alliance of Hope) candidate in the district.

*Source*: Malaysian Electoral Commission (<http://www.spr.gov.my>)

**TURNOUT**

*Type:* Numeric

*Description:* TURNOUT indicates the number of registered voters who cast valid votes within the district.

*Source*: Malaysian Electoral Commission (http://www.spr.gov.my)

**AREA**

*Type:* Numeric

*Description:* AREA indicates the geographic area of the district in square kilometers.

*Source*: Electoral Commission’s Final Boundary Delineation Proposal (2018)

**BUMI**

*Type:* Numeric

*Description*: BUMI indicates the percentage of registered voters within the district who are categorized as Bumiputera or “sons of the soil” (e.g. Malay, Orang Asli).

*Source*: The Star Online (https://election.thestar.com.my)

**CHINESE**

*Type:* Numeric

*Description:* CHINESE indicates the percentage of registered voters within the district who are categorized as Chinese.

*Source*: The Star Online (https://election.thestar.com.my)

**INDIAN**

*Type:* Numeric

*Description:* INDIAN indicates the percentage of registered voters within the district who are categorized as Indians.

*Source*: The Star Online (<https://election.thestar.com.my>)

**OTHER**

*Type:* Numeric

*Description:* OTHER indicates the percentage of registered voters within the district who are categorized as other ethnicity.

*Source*: The Star Online (https://election.thestar.com.my)