

# Codebook for Indiana School Referendum Dataset

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This is the codebook for the Indiana School Referendum dataset (`indiana_school_referendum_data.csv`) used in *Quantitative Social Science Data with R: An Introduction* (2nd Edition). This data is on the outcomes of local school referendum in Indiana from 2010 to 2019. Information about the variable values is provided when necessary.<sup>1</sup>

- **Date of Referendum:** in U.S. date format (mm/dd/yyyy); does not include zeros for single digit months or days.
- **Month:** month of referendum.
- **Type of Referendum:** main issue in referendum.
  1. Construction
  2. Debt Refinancing
  3. General Fund
- **School Corp. Locale:** type of school corporation (district) location.
  1. City
  2. Rural
  3. Suburb
  4. Town
- **School Corporation:** name of school corporation (district).
- **Corp\_num:** Indiana State Department of Education school corporation (district) number (e.g., 615 is Western Boone County Community School District).
- **City:** name of city of school corporation (district).
- **County:** name of county of school corporation (district).
- **Outcome:** outcome of referendum.
  1. Failed
  2. Passed
- **Percent For:** percentage of votes in favour of referendum.
- **Percent Against:** percentage of votes against referendum.
- **Margin For-Against:** percentage of votes in favour of referendum *subtracted by* percentage of votes against referendum.

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<sup>1</sup>Database for Indiana School Referenda. Center for Evaluation, Policy, & Research, Indiana University - Bloomington. Created by Stephen Hill. <https://cepr.indiana.edu/dsr.html>.