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1. Date and unit of observation

Data reported by DPKO is from the end of a given month. Each observation is a specific group of contributions from a member state to a given mission.

2. Contributor Data

2.1 Contributor IDs

Each observation contains a number of identifiers for what country is contributing that can be used for merging to other data or for filtering.

2.1.1 tcc (STRING)

The name of the contributor as it appears in UN documents.

2.1.2 tcc.iso3.alpha (STRING)

Three-letter country codes defined in ISO 3166-1, which is part of the ISO 3166 standard published by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), to represent countries, dependent territories, and special areas of geographical interest. A list of codes can be found at the ISO’s website.

2.1.3 tcc.cap (STRING)

The name of the capital of the contributing country.

2.2 Contributor location data

A series of variables used for locating contributing country.

2.2.1 tcc.cap.long (LONGITUDE)

This variable indicates the longitude coordinate in decimal notation of the capital of the contributing country.

2.2.2 tcc.cap.lat (LATITUDE)

This variable indicates the latitude coordinate in decimal notation of the capital of the contributing country.

2.2.3 tcc.continent (CAT)

This variable indicates the continent of the contributing country.

Values:
1. Africa
2. Asia
3. Europe
4. North America
5. Oceania
6. South America

2.2.4 tcc.un.region (CAT)

The regional categorization follows the list compiled by the Cartographic Department of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library (Department of Public Information) at United Nations Headquarters. The list is available on the UN’s website.

Values:
1. Eastern Africa
2. Middle Africa
3. Northern Africa
4. Southern Africa
5. Western Africa
6. Eastern Asia
7. South-central Asia
8. South-eastern Asia
9. Western Asia
10. Eastern Europe
11. Northern Europe
12. Southern Europe
13. Western Europe
14. Caribbean
15. Central America
16. South America
17. Northern America
18. Australia and New Zealand
19. Melanesia
20. Micronesia
21. Polynesia
2.3 **Contributor group membership**
A series of variables indicating regional or bloc membership of contributing country.

2.3.1 **tcc.un.bloc (CAT)**
This variable indicates the contributing country’s membership to UN regional voting bloc groups according to the UN [website](#).

Values:
1. AG – Africa Group
2. APG – Asia Pacific Group
3. EEG – Eastern European Group
4. GRULAC – The Latin American and Caribbean States
5. WEOG – Western Europe and Others Group
6. WEOG – Observer (United States)

2.3.2 **tcc.p5g4a3 (CAT)**
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a permanent member of the UN Security Council (P5), one of for declared aspirants for additional permanent UNSC seats (G4), or one of the three African countries put forward as possible permanent members of the UNSC (A3).

Values:
1. P5 – (China, France, Great Britain, Russia and the United States)
2. G4 – (Brazil, Germany, India, and Japan)
3. A3 – (Egypt, Nigeria and South Africa)
4. none

2.3.3 **tcc.nam (DUMMY)**
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Non-aligned Movement according to NAM’s [website](#).

Values:
0. No
1. Yes

2.3.4 **tcc.g77 (DUMMY)**
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Group of 77 according to G77’s [website](#).

Values:
0. No
1. Yes

2.3.5 **tcc.au (DUMMY)**
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the African Union according to the AU’s [website](#).

Values:
0. No
1. Yes

2.3.6 **tcc.arab.league (DUMMY)**
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Arab League according to [Wikipedia](#).

Values:
0. No
1. Yes

2.3.7 **tcc.oic (DUMMY)**
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation according to the OIC’s [website](#).

Values:
0. No
1. Yes
2.3.8  

tcc.cis (DUMMY)
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Commonwealth of Independent States according to the CIS’s website.
Values:
0. No
1. Yes

2.3.9  

tcc.g20 (DUMMY)
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Group of 20 Major Economies according to Wikipedia.
Values:
0. No
1. Yes

2.3.10  

tcc.eu (DUMMY)
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the European Union according to the EU’s website.
Values:
0. No
1. Yes

3. Mission Data

3.1  

Mission IDs
Each observation contains a number of identifiers for which mission is receiving a contribution as well as the country that hosts that mission that can be used for merging to other data or for filtering.

3.1.1  

mission (STRING)
The official UN abbreviation of a mission. Full list of missions:

- BINUB
- BNUB
- BONUCA
- IPTF
- LLB
- MICAH
- MINUCI
- MINUGUA
- MINURCA
- MINURCAT
- MINURSO
- MINUSTAH
- MIPONUH
- MONUA
- MONUC
- MONUSCO
- ONUB
- ONUCA
- ONUCI
- ONUMOZ
- ONUSAL
- UNAMA
- UNAMET
- UNAMI
- UNAMIC
- UNAMID
- UNAMIR
- UNAMSIL
- UNAVEM
- UNAVEM II
- UNCRO
- UNDOF
- UNFICYP
- UNFOR
- UNFIN
- UNIFIL
- UNIONM
- UNIOSIL
- UNISFA
- UNMA
- UNMEE
- UNMIBH
- UNMIH
- UNMIL
- UNMIN
- UNMIS
- UNMISET
- UNMISS
- UNMIT
- UNMOGIP
- UNMOP
- UNMOT
- UNOA
- UNOCI
- UNOMIG
- UNOMIL
- UNOMSIL
- UNOMUR
- UNOSOM
- UNOSOM II
- UNOTIL
- UNPF
- UNPREDEP
- UNPROFOR
- UNPSG
- UNSMIH
- UNSMIS
- UNTAC
- UNTAES
- UNTAET
- UNTMIH
- UNTSO

3.1.2  

mission.country (STRING)
The name of the host country for a mission.

3.1.2  

mission.iso3.alpha (STRING)
Three-letter country code for the mission host country defined in ISO 3166-1, which is part of the ISO 3166 standard published by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), to represent countries, dependent territories, and special areas of geographical interest. A list of codes can be found at the ISO’s website.
3.1.3 **mission.hq (STRING)**
The name of the city that serves as headquarters for the mission according to the mission’s website.

3.2 **Mission location data**
A series of variables used for locating mission host country.

3.2.1 **mission.hq.long (LONGITUDE)**
This variable indicates the longitude coordinate in decimal notation of the capital of the mission host country.

3.2.2 **mission.hq.lat (LATITUDE)**
This variable indicates the latitude coordinate in decimal notation of the capital of the mission host country.

3.2.3 **mission.continent (CAT)**
This variable indicates the continent of the mission host country.

Values:
1. Africa
2. Asia
3. Europe
4. North America
5. Oceania
6. South America

3.2.4 **mission.un.region (CAT)**
The regional categorization follows the list compiled by the Cartographic Department of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library (Department of Public Information) at United Nations Headquarters. The list is available on the UN’s website.

Values:
1. Eastern Africa
2. Middle Africa
3. Northern Africa
4. Southern Africa
5. Western Africa
6. Eastern Asia
7. South-central Asia
8. South-eastern Asia
9. Western Asia
10. Eastern Europe
11. Northern Europe
12. Eastern Asia
13. Western Europe
14. Caribbean
15. Central America
16. South America
17. Northern America
18. Australia and New Zealand
19. Melanesia
20. Micronesia
21. Polynesia

3.3 **Mission host country group membership**
A series of variables indicating regional or bloc membership of mission host country.

3.3.1 **mission.un.bloc (CAT)**
This variable indicates the mission host country’s membership to UN regional voting bloc groups according to the UN website.

Values:
1. AG – Africa Group
2. APG – Asia Pacific Group
3. EEG – Eastern European Group
4. GRULAC – The Latin American and Caribbean States
5. WEOG – Western Europe and Others Group
6. WEOG – Observer (United States)

3.3.2 **mission.p5g4a3 (CAT)**
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a permanent member of the UN Security Council (P5), one of for declared aspirants for additional permanent UNSC seats (G4), or one of the three African countries put forward as possible permanent members of the UNSC (A3).

Values:
1. P5 – (China, France, Great Britain, Russia and the United States)
2. G4 – (Brazil, Germany, India, and Japan)
3. A3 – (Egypt, Nigeria and South Africa)
4. none
3.3.3   tcc.nam (DUMMY)
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Non-aligned Movement according to NAM’s website.
   Values:
   0. No
   1. Yes

3.3.4   mission.g77 (DUMMY)
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Group of 77 according to G77’s website.
   Values:
   0. No
   1. Yes

3.3.5   mission.au (DUMMY)
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the African Union according to the AU’s website.
   Values:
   0. No
   1. Yes

3.3.6   mission.arab.league (DUMMY)
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Arab League according to Wikipedia.
   Values:
   0. No
   1. Yes

3.3.7   mission.oic (DUMMY)
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation according to the OIC’s website.
   Values:
   0. No
   1. Yes

3.3.8   mission.cis (DUMMY)
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Commonwealth of Independent States according to the CIS’s website.
   Values:
   0. No
   1. Yes

3.3.9   mission.g20 (DUMMY)
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the Group of 20 Major Economies according to Wikipedia.
   Values:
   0. No
   1. Yes

3.3.10  mission.eu (DUMMY)
This variable indicates whether the contributing country is a member of the European Union according to the EU’s website.
   Values:
   0. No
   1. Yes
4. Contribution Data

4.1 *eom (INT)*
“Experts on Mission” began to be used as a contribution category in November 2009. It replaced the designation “Military Observers”.

4.2 *milobvs (INT)*
“Military Observers” was used as a contribution category from August 1992 – October 2009. In November 2009 it was replaced by the designation “Experts on Mission”. Comparative analysis indicates previous observers were included in general troop levels.

4.3 *civpol (INT)*
“Civilian Police” was used as a contribution category from November 1990 – October 2009. In November 2009 it was replaced by two designations, “Formed Police Units” and “Individual Police”. Comparative analysis indicates these new categories were a split and neither were new contributions.

4.4 *fpu (INT)*
“Formed Police Units” began to be used as a contribution category in November 2009. It replaced the designation “Civilian Police”.

4.5 *ip (INT)*
“Individual Police” began to be used as a contribution category in November 2009. It replaced the designation “Civilian Police”.

4.6 *troops (INT)*
This includes both “Troops” and “Contingent Troops”. “Troops” was used as a contribution category in from November 1990 – October 2009 and “Contingent Troops” from November 2009 to the present. Comparative analysis indicates continuity between the two categories.

4.7 *police (INT)*
An aggregation of the *civpol, fpu* and *ip* variables.

4.8 *observers (INT)*
An aggregation of the *eom* and *milobvs* variables.

4.9 *total (INT)*
An aggregation of the *troops, police* and *observers* variables.

5. Additional Data

5.1 *distance (NUM)*
This variable is the calculated great-circle distance from the capital of a contributing country to the UN mission HQ.