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**Data.** The final datasets used in the paper, in Stata 17.0 format, are available in the folder “Data”:

- “data\_crime\_news.dta”: the dataset used for the perpetrator/newspaper-level estimations analyzing the determinants of media coverage of violent crime.
- “data\_news\_voting.dta”: the dataset used for the municipality-level estimations studying the effect of crime news coverage on vote crime.
- “data\_google\_searches.dta”: the data includes the google search information that is used for Figure B.1.2.
- “data\_two\_steps\_1.dta” and “data\_two\_steps\_2.dta”: the data includes the information that is used for Table B.2.2.
- “data\_newspapers.dta”: the data includes the newspaper-level information that is used for Table B.3.9.

The raw criminality data are confidential and we consequently provide only access to the estimation datasets as they do not reveal sensible individual information. To access the non-publicly available exhaustive data on all crimes detected by the police in Switzerland, you must contact the Swiss Federal Statistical Office (FSO). For the provenance of the other variables, please consult Section 2 of the paper that contains the relevant information. Note that all variables in the main datasets have self-explanatory labels: Hence, for a data dictionary, either type *desc* in Stata or refer to Online Appendix Table B.1.1.

**Instructions.** To replicate the results of the paper you need to run the Stata do-files that are available in the “Do” folder.

1. Open the “...\\Do\\DO\_Master.do”, change the directory macro (line 24) to the local directory, and run it. You only need to run this do-file once.
2. Run the individual do-files located in the “Do” folder. The do-file referring to the paper exhibits are entitled “Main\_XXX.do”; the ones referring to the online appendix exhibits are entitled “OA\_XXX.do”.

The various tables and figures will appear in the folder “Results”. The log files will be stored in the folder “Log”.

## **Outputs in the main paper.**

<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Data</u> (...\\Data\\)	<u>Program</u> (...\\Do\\)	<u>Output file</u> (...\\Results \\)
Table 1	data_crime_news.dta	Main_Table1.do	Main_Table1.tex
Figure 1	data_crime_news.dta	Main_Figure1.do	Main_Figure1.pdf
Figure 2	data_news_voting.dta	Main_Figure2.do	Main_Figure2.pdf
Table 2	data_news_voting.dta	Main_Table2.do	Main_Table2.tex
Table 3	data_news_voting.dta	Main_Table3.do	Main_Table3.tex

**Appendix outputs.** To replicate the results of the Online Appendix, run the “DO\_Appendix.do” do-file after running the “DO\_Master.do” do-file. This do-file calls the 18 do-files that replicate the 13 tables and 5 figures. The do-files can also be run individually.

<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Data</u> (...\\Data\\)	<u>Program</u> (...\\Do\\)	<u>Output file</u> (...\\Results \\)
Figure B1.1	n.a. (no data)		
Figure B1.2	data_google_searches.dta	OA_FigureB12.do	OA_FigureB12.png
Figure B1.3	data_news_voting.dta	OA_FigureB13.do	OA_FigureB13.png
Table B1.1	data_news_voting.dta	OA_TableB11.do	OA_TableB11.tex
Table B2.2	data_two_steps_1.dta  data_two_steps_2.dta	OA_TableB22.do	OA_TableB22.tex
Figure B2.4	data_crime_news.dta	OA_FigureB24.do	OA_FigureB24.pdf
Table B3.3	data_news_voting.dta	OA_TableB33.do	OA_TableB33.tex
Figure B3.5	data_news_voting.dta	OA_FigureB35.do	OA_FigureB35.pdf
Table B3.4	data_news_voting.dta	OA_TableB34.do	OA_TableB34.tex
Figure B3.6	data_news_voting.dta	OA_FigureB36.do	OA_FigureB36.png
Table B3.5	data_news_voting.dta	OA_TableB35.do	OA_TableB35.tex
Table B3.6	data_news_voting.dta	OA_TableB36.do	OA_TableB36.tex
Table B3.7	data_news_voting.dta	OA_TableB37.do	OA_TableB37.tex
Table B3.8	data_news_voting.dta	OA_TableB38.do	OA_TableB38.tex

Table B3.9	data_newspapers.dta	OA_TableB39.do	OA_TableB39.tex
Table B3.10	data_news_voting.dta	OA_TableB310.do	OA_TableB310.tex
Table B3.11	data_news_voting.dta	OA_TableB311.do	OA_TableB311.tex
Table B3.12	data_news_voting.dta	OA_TableB312.do	OA_TableB312.tex
Table B3.13	data_news_voting.dta	OA_TableB313.do	OA_TableB313.tex