Codebook

This is the codebook for the data from the 2022-2023 Salem Center/CSPI forecasting tournament. The two tables below are for the file Salemcspi.xlsx. This file is for now being withheld from the public, but those interested in exploring it should feel free to reach out at contact@cspicenter.org. The file Salemratings.xls is a subset of Salemcspi.xlsx.

The file Calibration.xls is each market as one data point. The file Allobs.xls has all observations, that is, the probability of each market every day across the entire tournament. It was used to make Figure 1.

Variable Name	Description	Note
timestamp	Time and date completed the survey	
email	Personal email	censored
name	Name	censored
balance	Balance	
profit	Profit	
exmidterm	Profit excluding midterm results	
numberbets	Number of bets placed	
atleast	Number markets with at least S$50 bet	
emailmerge1	Email to connect to balances	censored
sex	What is your sex?	
age	How old are you? 1 = Gen Z, 27 or younger 2 = Millennial, 28-42 3 = Generation X, 43-57 4 = Boomer, 58-76	
orientation	What is your sexual orientation? 1 = Straight 2 = Bisexual 3 = Gay 4 = Asexual 5 = Pansexual 6 = Refuse to answer/express annoyance at the question 7 = Demisexual	
trans	Are you trans, nonbinary, or do you have some kind of gender identity other than cis-gendered?	Most left blank, gave option to skip

	1 = trans 2 = nonbinary 3 = trans and nonbinary	
econ	What are your politics, on a scale of very liberal (1) to very conservative (5)? [economic issues]	
social	What are your politics, on a scale of very liberal (1) to very conservative (5)? [social issues]	
politics	What are your politics, on a scale of very liberal (1) to very conservative (5)? [Overall]	
politicsid	If you had to choose, which of these political orientations is closest to your views?	
married	Are you married?	
country	Which country are you from?	
race	What is your race or ethnicity? (you can check more than one)	
religion	How would you describe your religion?	
osib	How many older siblings do you have?	
ysib	How many younger siblings do you have?	
income	What is your yearly household income, approximately averaged over the last three years?	
education	What is your highest level of education achieved?	
otherdeg	Do you have any of the following degrees? (check all that apply)	
field	Which field or industry do you work in?	
teaching	Does your job involve teaching, writing, or research	

	in any of the following fields? (check all that apply)	
econdegree	Have you received a college or post-graduate degree in any of the following fields? Check the highest level completed, and leave blank if none. [Economics]	
polisci	Have you received a college or post-graduate degree in any of the following fields? Check the highest level completed, and leave blank if none. [Political Science (focus on American politics)]	
ir	Have you received a college or post-graduate degree in any of the following fields? Check the highest level completed, and leave blank if none. [Political Science (IR or Comparative focus)]	
psother	Have you received a college or post-graduate degree in any of the following fields? Check the highest level completed, and leave blank if none. [Political Science (other)]	
psych	Have you received a college or post-graduate degree in any of the following fields? Check the highest level completed, and leave blank if none. [Psychology]	
health	Have you received a college or post-graduate degree in any of the following fields? Check the highest level completed, and leave blank if none. [Public Health]	
anything	Is there anything else you'd like to tell us?	censored

For the rest of the questions, we had respondents read the following prompt: "Please express how favorable or unfavorable you feel towards each of the following statements, people, organizations, or ideas. 1 is maximum disapproval or disagreement, 5 is maximum approval or agreement." The table below lists what respondents were asked to rate and the name of the relevant variable.

Variable	Idea, person, or thing
abortion	Abortion should be banned
lgbt	LGBT activism
vegetarianism	Vegetarianism
diff	There are inherent racial differences in intelligence
fedsoc	The Federalist Society
feminism	Feminism
trump	Donald Trump
natalism	Pro-natalism
biden	Joe Biden
improve	Humanity should try to improve itself genetically.
lab	Society should encourage lab grown meat
transhuman	Transhumanism
overpop	The world is overpopulated
equal	All human life is of equal value
safety	Government should provide a more robust safety net.
richpay	The rich should pay more in taxes.
ukraine	US military aid to Ukraine
	Corporations have too much power
antiaging	Government should provide more money for antiaging research.
yimby	YIMBY
incest	Incest between consenting adults should be legal.
crt	Critical Race Theory
profile	Cops should engage in racial profiling.
open	Open borders
national	Americans should be more nationalistic
taiwan	The US needs to defend Taiwan against China
jobs	The government should use tariffs to protect jobs in my country
blm	Black Lives Matter
climate	Climate change is an existential threat to humanity
desantis	Ron DeSantis

crtban	Critical Race Theory should be banned in primary schools
democracy	Democracy
menpromis	Sexual promiscuity is more morally acceptable in men than women
bully	Anti-bullying campaigns have gone too far
rationalist	The Rationalist community
god	I believe God exists
roles	Men and women have different roles to play in society
ea	Effective altruism
porn	Pornography should be banned
nine	There's more to 9/11 than what they've been telling us
farm	Factory farms are a major moral catastrophe we should confront
contact	I believe humans have made contact with aliens
fat	Fat people are fat because they have moral defects
libshonest	Liberals in politics are more honest than conservatives
israel	My country should support Israel against the Palestinians
death	The death penalty
drug	My government should have fewer legal restrictions on drug use.
sdem	Social democracy
paul	Ron Paul
romney	Mitt Romney
lesswrong	LessWrong
leadership	US leadership is important for global peace and security
anthro	I believe anthropogenic climate change is real
better	I believe people are better off than at any other point in history
transwomen	I believe trans women are women
women	I believe prejudice against women is a serious problem in society.
disability	There is nothing morally wrong with abortions based on disability of the fetus.
capital	I believe capitalism is a better economic system than all available alternatives.
fewer	I believe people in developed countries should have fewer children.

democrats	The Democratic Party
republicans	The Republican Party
pressure	There should be no law against a boss pressuring an employee for sex.
stole	It is more likely than not that the Democrats stole the 2020 election.
theology	Theology should have more influence in public life.
embryo	Embryo selection
polyamory	I think polyamory should be socially acceptable.
incarcerate	The US should incarcerate fewer people
trust	I wish people in my country would have more trust in scientists.
shoot	It should be legal for police to shoot a fleeing felon.
free	Free market in human organs
womb	Artificial womb technology should be encouraged for those who want to use it.
gr	I think the Great Replacement is happening.
guns	The United States makes it too easy to purchase guns
bugs	The morality of eating bugs depends mainly on how capable insects are of suffering.
real	Whether caused by genes or culture, racial differences in intelligence are real.
ai	I worry about AI research as an existential threat to humanity.
dinosaurs	If we can, we should use technology to bring back dinosaurs.
libertarianism	Libertarianism