

# Taiwan's Election and Democratization Study, 2008 (TEDS 2008L): Legislative Elections

## User guide

### I. Overview

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Project Period	2007.08.01 - 2008.07.31
Data Collection Duration	2008.01.19 - 2008.03.30

### II. Released File Description

#### 1. User guide

Userguide.doc	including project overview, released file description, documentations for data validation and clean, note for usage etc.
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#### 2. Questionnaire

TEDS2008LC_QuenE.pdf	Independent Questionnaire
TEDS2008LP_QuenE.pdf	Panel Questionnaire
TEDS2008LC_reQuenE.pdf	Independent Questionnaire(Retest)

#### 3. Dataset

TEDS08L_indCE.sav	Independent sample (cover), SPSS 20.0 for win
TEDS08L_indQE.sav	Independent sample (questionnaire), SPSS 20.0 for win
TEDS08L_panCE.sav	Panel sample (cover), SPSS 20.0 for win
TEDS08L_panQE.sav	Panel sample (questionnaire), SPSS 20.0 for win
TEDS08L_retCE.sav	The retest of independent sample (cover), SPSS 20.0 for win
TEDS08L_retQE.sav	The retest of independent sample (questionnaire), SPSS 20.0 for win

#### 4. Codebook

TEDS2008LC_CcodeE.pdf	Independent sample (cover)
TEDS2008LC_QcodeE.pdf	Independent sample (questionnaire)
TEDS2008LP_CcodeE.pdf	Panel sample (cover)
TEDS2008LP_QcodeE.pdf	Panel sample (questionnaire)
TEDS2008LC_reQcodeE.pdf	The retest of independent sample (cover)
TEDS2008LC_reQuenE.pdf	The retest of independent sample (questionnaire)

### III. Guideline for data validation and usage

- The Center for Survey Research (CSR), Research Center for Humanities and Social Sciences Academia Sinica, has checked wild codes and out-of-range values, to validate and clean data. Our findings are shown as follows:

#### 1) Wild codes and out-of-range values

Item	Variable	Wild codes and out-of-range values	Frequency
TEDS08L_indCE.sav			
	date1	0	1

2. Note for data usage
  - 1) The column widths of variable label and value description in the SPSS are limited to 255 bytes, so the SPSS dataset shows only the first 255 bytes as variable label and value description, which has no effect on the data use.
  - 2) The sample size of independent sample (1239) for the cover dataset is not consistent with that (1238) for its corresponding questionnaire dataset.
  - 3) The sample size of panel sample (1381) for the cover dataset is not consistent with that (1380) for its corresponding questionnaire dataset.
  - 4) In case of any inconsistent findings between project report and dataset, priority is given to findings in dataset.

#### **IV. Guideline for referenced citation**

Reference style, based upon the requirement of various journal, thesis, or dissertation, can be revised. Suggested reference style in English:

Yun-han Chu. (2009). Taiwan's Election and Democratization Study, 2008 (TEDS 2008L): Legislative Elections (E96028) [Data file]. Available from Survey Research Data Archive, Academia Sinica Web site:  
<https://srda.sinica.edu.tw>. doi:10.6141/TW-SRDA-E96028-1

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\*Content

Explanation-----readme.PDF

**Independence file**-----Independence

Cover-----TEDS2008LC\_Cover.PDF

Codebook of Cover-----TEDS2008LC\_Ccode.PDF

Questionnaire-----TEDS2008LC\_Quen.PDF

Codebook of Questionnaire-----TEDS2008LC\_Qcode.PDF

Data File of Cover of SPSS-----TEDS08L\_indC.DAT

System File of Cover of SPSS-----TEDS08L\_indC.SAV

Syntax File of Cover of SPSS-----TEDS08L\_indC.SPS

Data File of Questionnaire of SPSS-----TEDS08L\_indQ.DAT

System File of Questionnaire of SPSS-----TEDS08L\_indQ.SAV

Syntax File of Questionnaire of SPSS-----TEDS08L\_indQ.SPS

**Panel file**-----Panel

Cover-----TEDS2008LP\_Cover.PDF

Codebook of Cover	TEDS2008LP_Ccode.PDF
Questionnaire	TEDS2008LP_Quen.PDF
Codebook of Questionnaire	TEDS2008LP_Qcode.PDF
Data File of Cover of SPSS	TEDS08L_panC.DAT
System File of Cover of SPSS	TEDS08L_panC.SAV
Syntax File of Cover of SPSS	TEDS08L_panC.SPS
Data File of Questionnaire of SPSS	TEDS08L_panQ.DAT
System File of Questionnaire of SPSS	TEDS08L_panQ.SAV
Syntax File of Questionnaire of SPSS	TEDS08L_panQ.SPS
TEDS2004L(A) Questionnaire	TEDS2004LA_QuenE.PDF
TEDS2004L(B) Questionnaire	TEDS2004LB_QuenE.PDF
<b>Ind_Retest file</b>	<b>Ind_Retest</b>
Cover	TEDS2008LC_reCover.PDF
Questionnaire	TEDS2008LC_reQuen.PDF
Codebook of Questionnaire	TEDS2008LC_reQcode.PDF
Data File of Cover of SPSS	TEDS08L_retC.DAT
System File of Cover of SPSS	TEDS08L_retC.SAV
Syntax File of Cover of SPSS	TEDS08L_retC.SPS
Data File of Questionnaire of SPSS	TEDS08L_retQ.DAT
System File of Questionnaire of SPSS	TEDS08L_retQ.SAV
Syntax File of Questionnaire of SPSS	TEDS08L_retQ.SPS

**\*Numbers of Samples and Interviewed Period:**

Independent: 1238; Cover 3456; Interviewed between Jan. and Mar. 2007

Panel: 1380; Cover 2507; Interviewed between Jan. and Mar. 2007

Retest: 248; Cover 497; Interviewed in Mar. 2007

**\*Weighting:**

The survey data are weighted by ranking with “age” and “education”. The population parameters are referred to “2007 Taiwan-Fuchien Demographic Fact Book Republic of China”, published by Ministry of The Interior Republic of China.

**\*Others:**

For the convenience of users, a merged file has been created from the panel file, with the addition of variables TEDS2004L (variable names are noted in the table in lowercase). Since TEDS2004L survey questionnaires are divided into questionnaires A and B, the merged file contains an extra differentiated variable. The new variable is “Questionnaire Type” where the value “1” corresponds to Questionnaire A and “2”, to Questionnaire B.



*Special Sample. Sample type	ID	District	Variable	Value	Note
Panel	01640904900509	Kaohsiung City , 5 <sup>th</sup> District	L01c	07 Non-Partisan Solidarity Union	There is no candidate of Non-Partisan Solidarity Union in district.
Panel	02020900800512	Yilan County	L01c	08 Independent	There is no candidate of Independent in district.
Panel	01010406101608	Taipei County, 9th District	L01c	02 DPP	There is no candidate of DPP in district.
Independent	02060500902203	Taichung County, 2nd District	L01c	01 KMT	There is no candidate of KMT in district.