

INTERNATIONAL CRISIS BEHAVIOR DATASETS: Version 10 (1918-2007)
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We are very pleased to announce the release of ICB Version 10, covering all international and foreign policy crises for the period 1918-2007. This version includes data on 455 international crises (icb1v10) and 1000 crisis actors (icb2v10). The data are saved as SPSS save files.

Users should take note that three new crises have been added to the dataset for 2007: Chad-Sudan III, Ethiopia-Eritrea III, and Chad-Sudan IV.

As was the case with past releases of the ICB datasets, a number of minor coding changes have been made in earlier cases. These changes/corrections resulted from the availability of new information on older cases, or the identification of errors in earlier coding. While these coding changes should not affect the overall trends and relationships that we and others have written about based on the ICB datasets, they will on occasion substantially change the coding of individual cases. Consequently, **it is recommended that only icb1v10 and icb2v10 be used for new analyses.** (As a help in the replication of earlier analyses, we are continuing to provide access to earlier versions of the ICB datasets (see <http://www.cidcm.umd.edu/icb>).)

The International Crisis Behavior (ICB) **Data Viewer** can be accessed from ICB's main Web page at <http://www.cidcm.umd.edu/icb> . The Data Viewer presents an interactive version of the data and case summaries. This web site replaces the material included on the CD-ROM that accompanied *A Study of Crisis* by Michael Brecher and Jonathan Wilkenfeld, University of Michigan Press, 1997, 2000.

ICB data can be downloaded from ICB's Data Collections page available at <http://www.cidcm.umd.edu/icb/data/>. Additionally, the data are available from the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) at the University of Michigan at <http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/> as Study #9286. **The files are called icb1v10 (international) and icb2v10 (actor).**

As always, we are anxious to hear from users, not only when they have used the datasets successfully and creatively, but also when they have come across possible coding or other errors. Please address all questions/comments to one or all of the following:

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