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Data Description

Expenditure on aspects of health and welfare by London's 28 Metropolitan Boroughs, 1923-1937, along with health indicators (crude death rates, infant mortality rates), and Borough election results (held every three years).

Data Collection Methods

Copied by hand from the following text sources: Local Taxation Returns; Local Government Financial Statistics; Annual Report of the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages for England and Wales; The Registrar-General's Statistical Review of England and Wales; A. Willis & J. Woollard, 20th Century Local Election Results, Volume 1: Election Results for the London County Council (1889 – 1961) and London Metropolitan Boroughs (1900 – 1928); Volume 2: Election Results for London Metropolitan Boroughs (1931–1962) (Plymouth, 2003).

Data Analysis and Preparation

Most data in raw form. File also includes two worksheets of calculated average values, for 1922-26 and 1934-37, and two correlation coefficient analyses for selected variables, again for 1922-6 and 1934-37.

Geographic regions

Central London (metropolitan area)

Key dates

Data collection commenced October 2012. Paper written from data accepted in Urban History February 2016.

Quality Controls

Not applicable

Species: Not applicable

Privacy:

Not applicable. No personal information. All data previously in the public domain.

Ethics

No ethics approval required.

Keywords

London; Metropolitan Boroughs; interwar; public health; municipal medicine; expenditure; election results

Language of written material English

Additional Information

Data used as basis for analysis in Seymour, Gorsky and Hajat, 'Health, wealth and party in inter-war London,' *Urban History*, forthcoming at time of deposit (May 2016). Open Access, available through Cambridge Journals.

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File Description

Title	Filename	File type	Description
London Boroughs data – XLSX	MetroBoroughsData_XLSX.xlsx	Microsoft Excel 2007	Expenditure on aspects of health and welfare by London's 28 Metropolitan Boroughs, 1923- 1937, along with health indicators (crude death rates, infant mortality rates), and Borough election results
London Boroughs data – CSV	MetroBoroughsData_CSV.zip containing:	ZIP archive	Compressed archive containing CSV export of each MS Excel worksheet. 20 files in total. Key.csv a-1922-23.csv average1922-26.csv average1934-37.csv b-1923-24.csv c-1924-25.csv CORR1922-6.csv CORR1924-7.csv d-1925-26.csv e-1926-27.csv f-1927-28.csv g-1928-29.csv h-1929-30.csv i-1930-31.csv j-1931-32.csv k-1932-33.csv l-1933-34.csv m-1934-35.csv n-1935-36.csv o-1936-37.csv