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      Input datasets are downloaded from the web, with the aim of updating everything to real time.
      The functions are divided in four main modules, namely
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      'Group', to aggregate data at the municipality or province level
      'Map', to visualize the output datasets.
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Subset of the administrative codes of municipalities

# Description

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This table includes the administrative codes of the municipalities from four regions: Molise, Campania, Apulia and Basilicata, as of June 30th 2022; some strings in field Municipality\_description including accents have been forced to ASCII. The whole dataset can be retrieved with the command  $Get_AdmUnNames(Year = 2022, date = "06_30")$ 

# Usage

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#### **Format**

## 'example\_AdmUnNames20220630' A data frame with 1,074 rows and 5 columns:

- Province\_code Numeric; the NUTS-3 administrative code
- Province\_initials Character;abbreviated NUTS-3 denomination.
- Municipality\_code Character; the ISTAT LAU (municipality) ID.
- Municipality\_description Character; the municipality name.
- Cadastral\_code Character; a LAU level ID code, different from the official ISTAT municipality code. It is used in the school registry (see example\_input\_Registry23)

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<a href="https://www.istat.it/it/archivio/6789">https://www.istat.it/it/archivio/6789</a>

#### See Also

Get\_AdmUnNames

example\_InnerAreas

Subset of the school registry in school year 2022/23

#### **Description**

This dataframe includes the classification of municipalities, from four regions: Molise, Campania, Apulia and Basilicata. Only the first 10 columns are included; some strings in field Municipality\_description including accents have been forced to ASCII. The whole dataset can be retrieved with the command Get\_InnerAreas(). For the definition of ISTAT inner areas class, see Get\_InnerAreas

#### Usage

example\_InnerAreas

#### **Format**

## 'example\_InnerAreas' A data frame with 1074 rows and 10 columns:

- Municipality\_code Character; the ISTAT LAU (municipality) ID.
- Municipality\_code\_numeric Numeric; the ISTAT LAU (municipality) ID in numeric format.
- Cadastral\_code Character; a LAU level ID code, different from the official ISTAT municipality code.
- Region\_code Numeric; the region (NUTS-2 administrative level) ID
- Region\_description Character; the region (NUTS-2 administrative level) name.
- Province\_code Numeric; the NUTS-3 administrative code.
- Province\_initials Character; abbreviated NUTS-3 denomination.

- Province\_description Character; the province (NUTS-3 administrative level) denomination.
- Municipality\_description Character; the municipality name.
- Inner\_area\_code\_2014\_2020 Character; the ISTAT inner areas classification between 2014 and 2020.
- Inner\_area\_description\_2014\_2020 Character; the description of the classes identified in the previous column
- Inner\_area\_code\_2021\_2027 Character; the ISTAT inner areas classification between 2021 and 2027.
- Inner\_area\_description\_2021\_2027 Character; the description of the classes identified in the previous column
- Destination\_municipality\_code Character; For non-central municipalities (classes C, D, E, F), the ID of the closest pole municipality according to the 2021-2027 classification
- Destination\_municipality\_code Character; The denomination of the municipalities in the previous column
- Destination\_pole\_code Character; An internal ID convention for the destination poles; it includes a letter (the class of the destination pole, either A or B); a number of two digits (the region code of the destination pole) and the progressive number of poles within a region.

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<a href="https://www.istat.it/it/archivio/273176">https://www.istat.it/it/archivio/273176</a>

### See Also

Get\_InnerAreas

example\_input\_DB23\_MIUR

Subset of the school buildings database in school year 2022/23

### **Description**

This dataframe includes the schools directly identifiable as primary, middle or high school, from four regions: Molise, Campania, Apulia and Basilicata. Only the first 35 columns are included. Some strings including accents in fields Other\_disturbances\_proximity, Other\_specific\_criticalities and Other have been forced to ASCII. The whole dataset can be retrieved with the command Get\_DB\_MIUR(2023)

## Usage

example\_input\_DB23\_MIUR

#### **Format**

## 'example\_input\_DB23\_MIUR' A data frame with 7479 rows and 35 columns:

- · Year Numeric; the school year.
- School\_code Character; the school ID.
- Order Character; the school order, either primary, middle or high school.
- Reference\_institute\_code Character; the ID of the reference institute.
- Building\_code Character; the building ID; the first 6 digits usually identify the municipality.
- Municipality\_code Character; the ISTAT LAU (municipality) ID.
- Municipality\_description Character; the municipality name.
- Province\_initials Character; abbreviated NUTS-3 denomination.
- Postal\_code Character; the ZIP code; slightly finer than municipality boundaries. for big municipalities.
- Context\_without\_disturbances Character; whether the school belongs to an environment devoid of disturbances; otherwise, the types of disturbances are listed in columns 11 18.
- Dumps\_proximity Character; whether the school is close to dumps (disturbance element).
- Pollutant\_industries\_proximity Character; whether the school is close to pollutant industries (disturbance element).
- Pollutant\_waters\_proximity Character; whether the school is close to pollutant or stagnant streams or ponds (disturbance element).
- Air\_pollution\_sourcer\_proximity Character; whether the school is close to sources of air pollution (disturbance element).
- Acoustic\_pollution\_sourcer\_proximity Character; whether the school is close to sources of acoustic pollution (disturbance element).
- Electromagnetic\_radiation\_sources\_proximity Character; whether the school is close to sources of electromagnetic radiation (disturbance element).
- Graveyards\_proximity Character; whether the school is close to a graveyard (disturbance element).
- Other\_disturbances\_proximity Character; other disturbance elements to which the school is close, other than those already listed.
- School\_area\_specific\_criticalities Character; whether any specific criticality element occurs inside the school area; specified in columns 20 27.
- Layby absence Character; whether the access to the area pertaining to the school building lacks a lay-by or pitch (school area criticality element).
- Unfenced area Character; whether the school building area lacks fences or enclosures (school area criticality element).
- Large\_traffic Character; whether the school area is close to large traffic streams (school area criticality element).
- Railway\_traffic Character; whether the school area is close to railway traffic streams (school area criticality element).
- Abandoned\_industries Character; whether the school area is located in pre-existences of abandoned industries (school area criticality element).

- Decayed\_urban\_area Character; whether the school belongs or is close to a decayed area (school area criticality element).
- Risky\_industries\_proximity Character; whether the school is close to perilous industrial areas (school area criticality element).
- Other\_specific\_criticalities Character; specific criticality elements regarding the school area, other than those already listed.
- School\_bus Character; whether the school is reached by school-bus service.
- Urban\_public\_transport Character; whether the school is served by a urban public transport station in the range of 250 meters.
- Interurban\_public\_transport Character; whether the school is served by a inter-urban public transport station in the range of 500 meters.
- Railway\_transport Character; whether the school ranges 500 meters or less from a train station.
- Private\_transport Character; whether the school can be reached by private transport.
- Disabled\_people\_transport Character; whether the school is provided with disabled people specific transport.
- Bicycle\_lane Character; whether the building is in proximity of a bicycle/bike lane.
- Other Character; whether the building can be reached in any other specific way.

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Homepage; more in detail, the dataset blocks are downloaded respectively from: cols 10-18; cols 20-27; cols 28-35

#### See Also

Get\_DB\_MIUR

example\_input\_nstud23 Subset of the students and classes counts in school year 2022/23

### **Description**

This dataframe includes students and classes counts for the schools from four regions: Molise, Campania, Apulia and Basilicata. The whole dataset can be retrieved with the command Get\_nstud(2023, filename = "ALUCORSOINDCLASTA")

#### Usage

example\_input\_nstud23

#### **Format**

## 'example\_input\_nstud23' A data frame with 21208 rows and 7 columns:

- Year Numeric; the school year.
- School\_code Character; the school ID.
- Order Character; the school order, either primary, middle or high school.
- Grade Numeric; the school grade.
- Classes Numeric; the count of classes of a given grade in each school
- Male\_students Numeric; the count of male students in all classes of a given educational grade in each school
- Female\_students Numeric; the count of female students in all classes of a given educational grade in each school

#### Source

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#### See Also

Get\_nstud

example\_input\_Registry23

Subset of the school registry in school year 2022/23

#### **Description**

This dataframe includes the schools directly identifiable as primary, middle or high school, from four regions: Molise, Campania, Apulia and Basilicata. Only the first 10 columns are included. The whole dataset can be retrieved with the command Get\_Registry(2023)

# Usage

```
example_input_Registry23
```

#### **Format**

## 'example\_input\_Registry23' A data frame with 5929 rows and 10 columns:

- Year Numeric; the school year.
- Area Character; the macro-area of the municipality, i.e. North, Center or South.
- Region\_description Character; the region (NUTS-2 administrative level) name.
- Province\_description Character; the province (NUTS-3 administrative level) name.
- Reference\_institute\_code Character; the ID of the reference institute.

- School\_code Character; the school ID.
- Cadastral\_code Character; a LAU level ID code, different from the official LAU municipality code. The Italian Ministry of Education does provide this code in the place of the LAU code for both the Schools registry and the early school buildings DBs.
- Municipality\_description Character; the municipality name.
- School\_address Character; the school physical address.
- Postal\_code Character; the ZIP code, slightly finer than municipality boundaries for big municipalities.

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#### See Also

Get\_Registry

example\_Invalsi23\_prov

Subset of the Invalsi scores in school year 2022/23

### Description

This dataframe includes the Invalsi scores of the schools from four regions: Molise, Campania, Apulia and Basilicata, for the school year 2022/23. The whole dataset can be retrieved with the command Get\_Invalsi\_IS(level = "NUTS-3")

#### Usage

example\_Invalsi23\_prov

#### **Format**

## 'example\_Invalsi23\_prov' A data frame with 240 rows and 11 columns:

- Year Character; the school year.
- Grade Numeric; the school grade; only includes the school grades subjected to the Invalsi survey. Either 2, 5, 8, 10 or 13.
- Subject Character; the school subject in which the test is taken; either Italian, Mathematics, English reading or English listening.
- Province\_code Numeric; the NUTS-3 administrative code.
- Province\_initials Character; abbreviated NUTS-3 denomination.
- Province\_description Character; the province (NUTS-3 administrative level) denomination.

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 Average\_percentage\_score Numeric; the province-level percentage of sufficient tests, only for primary schools; ranges 0-100.

- Std\_dev\_percentage\_score Numeric; the standard deviation of the percentage of sufficient tests, only for primary schools.
- WLE\_average\_score Numeric; the province-level average WLE (Weighted Likelihood Estimator) score.
- Std\_dev\_WLE\_score Numeric; the standard deviation of WLE scores.
- Students\_coverage Numeric; the percentage of students for which the Invalsi tests are reported.

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<a href="https://serviziostatistico.invalsi.it/en/archivio-dati/?\_sft\_invalsi\_ss\_data\_collective=open-data">https://serviziostatistico.invalsi.it/en/archivio-dati/?\_sft\_invalsi\_ss\_data\_collective=open-data</a>

#### See Also

Get\_Invalsi\_IS

example\_Prov22\_shp

Subset of Italian provinces shapefile

### **Description**

This is the shapefile for the provinces belonging to four regions: Molise, Campania, Apulia and Basilicata, as of January 1st 2022. These are the latest administrative units boundaries relevant at the beginning of the school year 2022/23. The whole shapefile can be retrieved with the command Get\_Shapefile(Year = 2022, level = "NUTS-3")

### Usage

example\_Prov22\_shp

#### **Format**

## 'example\_Prov22\_shp' A Spatial polygon data frame with 13 rows/polygons and 15 columns:

- COD\_RIP Numeric; the code for the macroarea (1 for Northwest, 2 for Northeast, 3 for Center, 4 for South and 5 for Isles)
- COD\_REG Numeric; the region (NUTS-2 administrative level) ID
- COD\_PROV Numeric; the NUTS-3 administrative code
- COD\_CM Numeric; the administrative code for Metropolitan Cities (which are always at the NUTS-3 level), obtained as 200 + NUTS-3 code, if the unit is a Metropolitan city; 0 otherwise.
- COD\_UTS Numeric; the administrative code for Metropolitan cities if the unit is a Metropolitan City; the province code otherwise.

- DEN\_PROV Character; the province (NUTS-3 administrative level) name, if the unit is not a Metropolitan City; blank otherwise.
- DEN\_CM Character; the Metropolitan City (NUTS-3 administrative level) name, if the unit is a Metropolitan City; blank otherwise.
- DEN\_UTS Character; the province or Metropolitan City (NUTS-3 administrative level) name.
- SIGLA Character; abbreviated NUTS-3 denomination.
- TIPO\_UTS Character; the NUTS-3 type of the unit; either "Provincia" (Province) or "Citta metropolitana" (Metropolitan City)
- Shape\_Leng Numeric; the polygon perimeter.
- Shape\_Area Numeric; the polygon area.
- geometry the polygon geometry.

#### **Source**

<a href="https://www.istat.it/it/archivio/222527">https://www.istat.it/it/archivio/222527</a>

#### See Also

Get\_Shapefile

example\_School2mun23

Association of the municipality code to a subset of public schools 2022/23

#### **Description**

This list maps the IDs of the schools from four regions (Molise, Campania, Apulia and Basilicata) to the corresponding LAU codes. The whole dataset can be retrieved with the command Get\_School2mun(2023)

#### Usage

example\_School2mun23

#### Format

## 'example\_School2mun23' A list of four elements

- Registry\_from\_buildings A data frame of 5527 rows and 5 columns, including the schools listed in the buildings registry.
- Registry\_from\_registry A data frame of 5929 rows and 5 columns, including the schools listed in the schools registry.
- Any A data frame of 5954 rows and 5 columns, including schools listed in any of the registryes
- Both A data frame of 5510 rows and 5 columns, including schools listed in both registries

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For each element, rows correspond to school IDs; the columns are:

- School\_code Character; the school ID.
- Province\_code Numeric; the NUTS-3 administrative code.
- Province\_initials Character; abbreviated NUTS-3 denomination.
- Municipality\_code Character; the ISTAT LAU (municipality) ID.
- Municipality\_description Character; the municipality name.

#### Source

Buildings registry (2021 onwards); Buindings registry (until 2019); Schools registry

#### See Also

Get\_School2mun

Get_AdmUnNames	Download the names and codes of Italian LAU and NUTS-3 administrative units

### **Description**

This function downloads a file provided by the Italian National Institute of Statistics including all the codes of administrative units in Italy. As of today, it is the easiest way to map directly cadastral codes to municipality codes.

# Usage

```
Get_AdmUnNames(Year = 2023, date = "01_01", autoAbort = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

Year	Numeric or character value. Last available is 2024. For coherence with school data, it is also in the formats: 2023, "2022/2023", 202223, 20222023. 2023 by default.
date	Character. The reference date, in format "mm_dd", either "01_01" "06_30", or "09_01" (close to the beginning of the school year). "01_01" by default.
autoAbort	Logical. Whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

### Value

An object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, including: NUTS-3 code, NUTS-3 abbreviation, LAU code, LAU name (description) and cadastral code. All variables are characters except for the NUTS-3 code.

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<a href="https://situas.istat.it/web/#/territorio">https://situas.istat.it/web/#/territorio</a>

### **Examples**

```
Get_AdmUnNames(2024, autoAbort = TRUE)
```

Get\_BroadBand

Download the data regarding the broad band connection activation in Italian schools

### **Description**

Retrieves the data regarding the activation date of the broad band connection in schools. It also indicates whether the connection was activated or not at a certain date.

### Usage

```
Get_BroadBand(
  Date = Sys.Date(),
  verbose = TRUE,
  show_col_types = FALSE,
  autoAbort = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

Date Object of class Date. The date at which it is required to determine if the broad

band connection has been activated or not. By default it is the current date.

verbose Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE

by default.

show\_col\_types Logical. If TRUE, if the verbose argument is also TRUE, the columns of the raw

dataset are shown during the download. FALSE by default.

autoAbort Logical. Whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case

of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

### **Details**

Ultra - Broadband is defined as everlasting internet connection with a maximum speed of 1 gigabit per second, with a minimum guaranteed speed of 100 megabits/second both on the uploading and downloading operations, until the peering point is reached, as declared on the data provider's website. In the example the broadband availability at the beginning of school year 2022/23 (1st september 2022) is shown.

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#### Value

An object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data. frame. The variables BB\_Activation\_date and BB\_Activation\_staus indicate the activation date and activation status of the broadband connection at the selected date.

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Broadband dashboard: <a href="https://bandaultralarga.italia.it/scuole-voucher/dashboard-scuole/">https://bandaultralarga.italia.it/scuole-voucher/dashboard-scuole/</a>

### **Examples**

```
Broadband_220901 <- Get_BroadBand(Date = as.Date("2022-09-01"), autoAbort = TRUE)
Broadband_220901
Broadband_220901[, c(9,6,13,14)]</pre>
```

Get\_DB\_MIUR

Download the database of Italian public schools buildings

## **Description**

This function downloads the School Buildings Open Database provided by the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research.

It is one of the main sources of information regarding the infrastructure system of public schools in Italy. For a given year, all available data are downloaded (except for the structural units section, which has a different level of detail) and gathered into a unique dataframe.

### Usage

```
Get_DB_MIUR(
    Year = 2023,
    verbose = TRUE,
    input_Registry = NULL,
    input_AdmUnNames = NULL,
    show_col_types = FALSE,
    certifications = FALSE,
    autoAbort = FALSE
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

Year Numeric or character value. Reference school year (last available is 2023).

Available in the formats: 2023, "2022/2023", 202223, 20222023. 2022 by

default (other databases are not currently available for 2023).

verbose Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE

by default.

input\_Registry Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. The school registry correspond-

ing to the year in scope, obtained as output of the function Get\_Registry. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environ-

ment. NULL by default.

input\_AdmUnNames

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. The ISTAT file including all the codes and all the names of the administrative units for the year in scope, obtained as output of the function Get\_AdmUnNames. Only necessary for school years 2015/16, 2017/18 and 2018/19. If NULL and required, it will be downloaded automatically but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

 $show\_col\_types \quad Logical. \ If \ \mathsf{TRUE}, if \ the \ \mathsf{verbose} \ argument \ is \ also \ \mathsf{TRUE}, the \ columns \ of \ the \ raw$ 

dataset are shown during the download. FALSE by default.

certifications Logical. From year 2021/22 onwards, whether to include some safety certifi-

cations in the database. Given the particular level of definition of this file, it requires extra computational time (other than the downloading time). FALSE by

default.

autoAbort Logical. Whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case

of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

#### Details

This function downloads the raw data; missing observations are not edited; all variables are characters. Since certifications are defined at the level of structural units of the single buildings, here the fields read as the percentage of structural units in a building having a given certificate. To edit the output of this function and convert the relevant variables to numeric or Boolean, please Util\_DB\_MIUR\_num. Schools different from primary, middle or high schools are classified as "NR". In the example, the data for school year 2022/23 are retrieved.

#### Value

An object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame.

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### **Examples**

input\_DB23\_MIUR <- Get\_DB\_MIUR(2023, autoAbort = TRUE)</pre>

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```
input_DB23_MIUR[-c(1,4,6,9)]
```

Get\_InnerAreas

Download the classification of peripheral municipalities

### **Description**

Retrieves the classification of Italian municipalities into six categories; classes D, E, and F are the so-called internal/inner areas; classes A, B and C are the central areas.

### Usage

```
Get_InnerAreas(verbose = TRUE, autoAbort = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

verbose Logical. Whether to keep track of computational time. TRUE by default.

autoAbort Logical. Whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case

of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

### Details

Classes are defined according to these criteria; see the methodological note (in Italian) for more detail:

- A Standalone pole municipalities, the highest degree of centrality; they are characterised by a thorough and self-sufficient combined endowment of school, health and transport infrastructure, i.e. there are at least a lyceum and a technical high school; a railway station of medium dimensions and a hospital provided with an emergency ward.
- B Intermunicipality poles; the endowment of such infrastructures is complete if a small set of contiguous municipalities is considered

The remaining classes are defined in terms of the national distribution of the road distances from a municipality to the closest pole:

- C Belt municipalities, travel time below the median (< 27'42").
- D Intermediate municipalities, travel time between the median and the third quartile (27'42" 40'54").
- E Peripheral municipalities, travel time between the third quartile and 97.5th percentile (40'54" 1h 6' 54").
- F Ultra-peripheral municipalities, travel time over the 97.5th percentile (>1h 6' 54").

For more information regarding the dataset, it is possible to check the ISTAT methodological note (in Italian) available at <a href="https://www.istat.it/it/files//2022/07/FOCUS-AREE-INTERNE-2021.pdf">https://www.istat.it/it/files//2022/07/FOCUS-AREE-INTERNE-2021.pdf</a>

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### Value

An object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame.

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<a href="https://www.istat.it/notizia/la-geografia-delle-aree-interne-nel-2020-vasti-territori-tra-potenzialita-e-debolezze/">https://www.istat.it/notizia/la-geografia-delle-aree-interne-nel-2020-vasti-territori-tra-potenzialita-e-debolezze/</a>

# **Examples**

```
InnerAreas <- Get_InnerAreas(autoAbort = TRUE)
InnerAreas[, c(1,9,13)]</pre>
```

Get\_Invalsi\_IS

Download the Invalsi census survey data

# Description

Downloads the full database of the Invalsi scores, detailed either at the municipality or province level.

### Usage

```
Get_Invalsi_IS(
  level = "LAU",
  verbose = TRUE,
  show_col_types = FALSE,
  multiple_out = FALSE,
  autoAbort = FALSE
)
```

## **Arguments**

level	Character. The level of aggregation of Invalsi census data. Either "NUTS-3", "Province", "LAU", "Municipality". "LAU" by default.
verbose	Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE by default.
show_col_types	$Logical. \ If \ TRUE, if \ the \ verbose \ argument \ is \ also \ TRUE, the \ columns \ of \ the \ raw \\ dataset \ are \ shown \ during \ the \ download. \ FALSE \ by \ default.$
multiple_out	Logical. Wheter keeping multiple dataframes as outputs (thus overriding the level argument) or not. FALSE by default.
autoAbort	Logical. Whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

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#### **Details**

Numeric variables provided are:

• Average\_percentage\_score Average direct score (percentage of sufficient tests)

- Std\_dev\_percentage\_score Standard deviation of the direct score
- WLE\_average\_score Average WLE score. The WLE score is calculated through the Rasch's psychometric model and is suitable for middle and high schools in that it is cleaned from the effect of cheating (which would affect both the average score and the score variability). By construction it has a mean around 200 points.
- Std\_dev\_WLE\_score Standard deviation of the WLE score. By construction it ranges around 40 points at the school level.
- Students\_coverage Students coverage percentage

Additional numeric variables, not always available for all observational units, are:

- · Mean and SD of ESCS indicator
- First-Fifth\_Level: Distribution of the proficiency level of students
- Targets\_percentage: Percentage of students reaching targets

Numeric codes 888 and 999 denote not applicable and not available fields respectively.

If multiple\_out == TRUE, provides the following datasets:

- Municipality\_data: LAU-level data
- Province\_data: NUTS-3-level data
- Region\_data: NUTS-2-level data
- LLS\_data: data at the level of local labour systems (Sistemi Locali del Lavoro; see ISTAT webpage for details)
- Inner\_Areas\_2021\_data aggregated data for inner areas according to the 2020 taxonomy
- Inner\_Areas\_2014\_data aggregated data for inner areas according to the former 2014 taxonomy
- Macroarea\_data data aggregated for North-West, North-East, Center, South and Islands

### Value

Unless multiple\_out == TRUE, an object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. Otherwise, a list including objects of the aforementioned classes

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<a href="https://serviziostatistico.invalsi.it/en/archivio-dati/?\_sft\_invalsi\_ss\_data\_collective=open-data">https://serviziostatistico.invalsi.it/en/archivio-dati/?\_sft\_invalsi\_ss\_data\_collective=open-data</a>

### **Examples**

```
Get_Invalsi_IS(level = "NUTS-3", autoAbort = TRUE, verbose = FALSE)
```

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Download students' number data

### **Description**

This functions downloads the data regarding the number of students, from the open website of the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research

#### Usage

```
Get_nstud(
  Year = 2023.
  filename = c("ALUCORSOETASTA", "ALUCORSOINDCLASTA"),
  verbose = TRUE,
  show_col_types = FALSE,
  autoAbort = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

Year

Numeric or character. Reference school year (last available is 2023). Available in the formats: 2022, "2021/2022", 202122, 20212022. 2023 by default

filename

Character. A string included in the name of the file to download. By default it is c("ALUCORSOETASTA", "ALUCORSOINDCLASTA"), which are the file names used so far for the number of students by age and the number of studentsin public schools by age and class.

Other file names are the following. The output is not currently supported by the remainder of the functions involving the number of students.

"ALUITASTRACITSTA" for the number of Italian and foreign students in public

"ALUSECGRADOINDSTA" for the number of students of public schools by high school address

"ALUTEMPOSCUOLASTA" for the number of students of public schools by school running time

"ALUCORSOETAPAR", "ALUCORSOINDCLAPAR", "ALUITASTRACITPAR", "ALUSECGRADOINDPAR",

"ALUTEMPOSCUOLAPAR" for the data of the previous file but referring to private

schools.

verbose

Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE by default.

show\_col\_types Logical. If TRUE, if the verbose argument is also TRUE, the columns of the raw

dataset are shown during the download. FALSE by default.

autoAbort

Logical. Whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

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#### Value

By default, a list of two tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame objects:

• \$ALUCORSOETASTA: The number of students by school, school grade and age. It provides a higher number of school than the other element

• \$ALUCORSOINDCLASTA: The number of students and classes by school and school grade. This is a long-format dataframe.

#### **Source**

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# **Examples**

```
Get_nstud(2023, filename = "ALUCORSOINDCLASTA", autoAbort = TRUE)
```

Get\_nteachers\_prov

Download the number of teachers in Italian schools by province

# Description

This functions downloads the number of teachers by province from the open website of the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research.

# Usage

```
Get_nteachers_prov(
   Year = 2023,
   verbose = TRUE,
   show_col_types = FALSE,
   filename = c("DOCTIT", "DOCSUP"),
   autoAbort = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

Year Numeric or character value. Reference school year for the school registry data

(last available is 2023). Available in the formats: 2022, "2021/2022", 202122,

20212022. 2023 by default

verbose Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE

by default.

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show\_col\_types Logical. If TRUE, if the 'verbose' argument is also TRUE, the columns of the raw

dataset are shown during the download. FALSE by default.

filename Character. Which data to retrieve among the province counts of teachers/school

personnel. By default it is c("DOCTIT", "DOCSUP"), which are the file names used so far for the number of tenured and temporary teachers respectively. Other

file names are the following:

"ATATIT" for the number of tenured non-teaching personnel "ATASUP" for the number of temporary non-teaching personnel

autoAbort Logical. Whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case

of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

#### **Details**

Please notice that by default, the function returns the count of the number of tenured and temporary teachers. If either the count of non-teaching personnel or the count of a single category of teaching personnel is needed, please adapt the filename argument accordingly.

### Value

An object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame.

#### Source

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#### **Examples**

```
nteachers23 <- Get_nteachers_prov(2023, filename = "DOCTIT", autoAbort = TRUE) nteachers23[, c(3,4,5)]
```

Get_Registry	Download the registry of Italian public schools from the school registry section
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### **Description**

This function returns two main pieces of information regarding Italian schools, namely:

- The denomination of the region, province and municipality to which the school belongs.
- The mechanographical code to the reference institute of each school.

It is possible to access schools in all the national territory, including the autonomous provinces of Aosta, Trento and Bozen.

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#### Usage

```
Get_Registry(
   Year = 2023,
   filename = c("SCUANAGRAFESTAT", "SCUANAAUTSTAT"),
   show_col_types = FALSE,
   autoAbort = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

Year Numeric or character. Reference school year (last available is 2024). Available

in the formats: 2023, "2022/2023", 202223, 20222023. 2023 by default.

filename Character. A string included in the name of the file to download, identifying the

schools included. By default it is c("SCUANAGRAFESTAT", "SCUANAAUTSTAT"), i.e. the file names used for public school registries, respectively across all the national territory except for the autonomous provinces of Aosta, Trento or Bozen, and only in the three If instead the registry of the private schools is needed,

please insert "SCUANAGRAFEPAR" and/or "SCUANAAUTPAR".

For the registry of private schools, either in all the national territory except for the aforementioned provinces, and for these provinces, please use "SCUANAGRAFEPAR" and "SCUANAAUTPAR" respectively. Please notice that data regarding private

schools are not available for most functions in this package.

show\_col\_types Logical. If TRUE, the columns of the raw dataset are shown during the download.

FALSE by default.

autoAbort Logical. Whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case

of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

### Details

Schools different from primary, middle or high schools are classified as "NR".

#### Value

An object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame.

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### **Examples**

```
Get_Registry(2024, filename = "SCUANAGRAFESTAT", autoAbort = TRUE)
```

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Get\_School2mun

Associate a Municipality (LAU) code to each school

### Description

This function associates the relevant municipality codes to all the schools listed in the two main registries provided by the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research, namely:

- The registry of school buildings, here referred to as Registry\_from\_buildings (Get\_DB\_MIUR)
- The official schools registry, here referred to as Registry\_from\_registry (see Get\_Registry)

### Usage

```
Get_School2mun(
   Year = 2023,
   show_col_types = FALSE,
   verbose = TRUE,
   input_AdmUnNames = NULL,
   input_Registry = NULL,
   autoAbort = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

Year Numeric or character value (last available is 2023). Available in the formats:

2023, "2022/2023", 202223, 20222023. 2023 by default.

show\_col\_types Logical. If TRUE, if the verbose argument is also TRUE, the columns of the raw

dataset are shown during the download. FALSE by default.

verbose Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE

by default.

input\_AdmUnNames

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, obtained as output of the function Get\_AdmUnNames The ISTAT file including all the administrative units codes for the year in scope. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in

the global environment. NULL by default.

input\_Registry Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, obtained as output of the function

Get\_Registry The school registry corresonding to the year in scope. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment.

NULL by default

autoAbort Logical. Whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case

of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

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### Value

An object of class list, including 4 elements:

• \$Registry\_from\_buildings: Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame: the schools listed in the buildings registry

- \$Registry\_from\_registry: Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data. frame: the schools listed in the schools registry
- \$Any: Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame: schools listed anywhere
- \$Both: Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame: schools listed in both the sections

#### **Source**

Buildings registry (2021 onwards); Buindings registry (until 2019); Schools registry

### **Examples**

```
Get_School2mun(Year = 2023, autoAbort = TRUE)
```

Get\_Shapefile

Download the shapefiles of Italian NUTS-3 and LAU administrative units

### Description

Downloads either the boundaries or the centroids of the relevant administrative units, either provinces or municipalities, from the ISTAT website. Geometries are expressed in meters.

# Usage

```
Get_Shapefile(
   Year,
   level = "LAU",
   lightShp = TRUE,
   autoAbort = FALSE,
   centroids = FALSE)
```

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# **Arguments**

Year	Numeric. Reference year for the administrative units.
level	Character. Either "LAU"/"Municipality", "NUTS-3"/"Province", "NUTS-2"/"Region", "LAU" by default
lightShp	Logical. If TRUE, the function downloads a generalised, i.e.less detailed, and lighter version of the shapefiles. TRUE by default.
autoAbort	Logical. Whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.
centroids	Logical. Whether to switch from polygon geometry to point geometry. In the latter case, the point is located at the centroid of the relevant area. FALSE by default.

#### Value

A spatial data frame of class data. frame and sf.

#### **Source**

<a href="https://www.istat.it/it/archivio/222527">https://www.istat.it/it/archivio/222527</a>

### **Examples**

```
library(magrittr)
Prov23_shp <- Get_Shapefile(2023, lightShp = TRUE, level = "NUTS-3", autoAbort = TRUE)
ggplot2::ggplot() + ggplot2::geom_sf(data = Prov23_shp) +
    ggplot2::ggtitle("Italian provinces in 2023/01/01")</pre>
```

Group_DB_MIUR	Aggregate the database of Italian public schools buildings at the mu-
	nicipality and province level

### Description

This function transforms the output of the Util\_DB\_MIUR\_num function (which is detailed at the level of single school buildings) at the municipality/LAU and province/NUTS-3 level. It also allows the user to classify the grade of centrality of municipalities through the variable Inner\_area.

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### Usage

```
Group_DB_MIUR(
  data = NULL,
  Year = 2023,
  count_units = TRUE,
  countname = "nbuildings",
  count_missing = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  track_deleted = TRUE,
  InnerAreas = TRUE,
  ord_InnerAreas = FALSE,
  input_InnerAreas = NULL,
  autoAbort = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

#### **Arguments**

data Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data. frame. The database of school buildings,

preferably already converted to numeric, obtained via Util\_DB\_MIUR\_num

Year Numeric or Character. The reference school year, if either data or input\_InnerAreas

must be retrieved. Available in the formats: 2023, "2022/2023", 202223, 20222023. Important: use the same Year argument used to retrieve the input school build-

ings data if they are provided as input. 2023 by default

count\_units Logical. Whether the rows to aggregate at each level must be counted or not.

True by default.

countname character. The name of the variable indicating the number of schools included in

each municipality of province, if the argument 'count' is TRUE. "nbuildings"

by default.

count\_missing Logical. Whether the function should return two dataframes including the per-

centage of NAs in the data object at the territorial level. TRUE by default

verbose Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE

by default.

track\_deleted Logical. If TRUE, the function returns the IDs of schools not included. TRUE by

default.

InnerAreas Logical. Whether an indicator of the percentage of schools belonging to periph-

eral (Inner) areas mus be included or not.

ord\_InnerAreas Logical. Whether the Inner areas classification should be treated as an ordinal

variable rather than as a binary one (see Get\_InnerAreas for the classification). Please notice than the function creates a column for each class, and if this database must be used in a statistical model, one of the 6 resulting columns must

be dropped. False by default.

input\_InnerAreas

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. The classification of peripheral municipalities, needed only if InnerAreas == TRUE, obtained as output of the

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Get\_InnerAreas function. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default

autoAbort Logical. In case any data must be retrieved, whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

Additional arguments to the function Util\_DB\_MIUR\_num in case no data are provided or data.

#### **Details**

Numerical variables are summarised by the mean; Boolean variables are summarised by the mean as well, thus they become frequency indicators. Qualitative values, if included, are summarised by the mode. Summary measures do not include NAs. The output dataframes are also detailed at the school order level (i.e. Primary, Midde, High school, or different orders). This means that rows are unique combinations of territorial unities and school order.

#### Value

An object of class list including:

- \$Municipality\_data: object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, the output dataframe detailed at the municipality level; all variables besides the first 5 (which identify the record) are numeric
- \$Province\_data: object of class 'tbl\_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame', the output dataframe detailed at the province level; all variables besides the first 3 (which identify the record) are numeric
- \$Municipality\_missing (Only if count\_missing == TRUE); object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data. frame, the percentage of NAs in each variable at the municipality level.
- \$Province\_missing: (Only if count\_missing == TRUE); object of class 'tbl\_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame', the percentage of NAs in each variable at the province level.
- \$deleted: character vector. The schools removed from the original dataframe for data quality reasons. This object is returned only if track\_deleted == TRUE

### **Examples**

```
library(magrittr)
DB23_MIUR <- example_input_DB23_MIUR %>% Util_DB_MIUR_num(verbose = FALSE) %>%
    Group_DB_MIUR(InnerAreas = FALSE)

DB23_MIUR$Municipality_data[, -c(1,2,4)]
summary(DB23_MIUR$Municipality_data)

DB23_MIUR$Province_data[, -c(1,3)]
summary(DB23_MIUR$Province_data)
```

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Group_nstud	Aggregate the students number data by class at the municipality and
	province level

# Description

This function creates two dataframes with the number of students, classes and students by class, aggregated at the province and municipality level

### Usage

```
Group_nstud(
 data = NULL,
  Year = 2023,
  check = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  check_registry = "Any",
  InnerAreas = TRUE,
 ord_InnerAreas = FALSE,
  check_ggplot = FALSE,
 missing_to_1 = FALSE,
  input_Registry = NULL,
  input_InnerAreas = NULL,
  input_Prov_shp = NULL,
  input_School2mun = NULL,
  input_AdmUnNames = NULL,
  autoAbort = FALSE,
)
```

# Arguments

data	Either an object of class list, obtained as output of the Get_nstud function, or an object of class class tbl_df, tbl and data.frame, obtained as output of the Util_nstud_wide function, if NULL, the function will download it automatically but it will not be saved in the global environment. NULL by default.
Year	Numeric or character value. The reference school year, if either of the input_arguments must be retrieved. Available in the formats: 2022, "2022/2023", "20222023". 2023 by default
check	Logical. If TRUE, the function runs the test of the students number availability across all school included in the school registries (see Util_Check_nstud_availability). TRUE by default
verbose	Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE by default.

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check\_registry Character. If check == TRUE, the school registries included in the input\_School2mun object (see Get\_School2mun) whose availability has to be checked. Either "Registry\_from\_buildings" (buildings section), "Registry\_from\_registry" (registry section), "Any" or "Both". "Any" by default.

InnerAreas Logical. If check == TRUE, Whether it must be checked if municipalities belong to Inner areas or not. TRUE by default.

ord\_InnerAreas Logical. If check == TRUE and InnerAreas == TRUE, whether the Inner areas classification should be treated as an ordinal variable rather than as a categorical one (see Get\_InnerAreas for the classification). FALSE by default.

check\_ggplot Logical. If check == TRUE, whether to display or not a static map of the availability of the students number by province; see also Util\_Check\_nstud\_availability.
TRUE by default.

missing\_to\_1 Logical. Only needed if data is not provided in wide format. Whether the number of classes should be imputed to 1 when it is missing; see Util\_nstud\_wide. FALSE by default.

input\_Registry Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, obtained as output of the function Get\_Registry If check == TRUE, the school registry (the properly said one, from the registry section). If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default

input\_InnerAreas

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. The classification of peripheral municipalities, obtained as output of the Get\_InnerAreas function. Needed only if check == TRUE and InnerAreas == TRUE. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default

input\_Prov\_shp Object of class sf, tbl\_df, tbl, data.frame. The relevant shapefile of Italian municipalities, if both the check and check\_ggplot options are chosen. If NULL it is downloaded automatically but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

input\_School2mun

Object of class list with elements of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, obtained as output of the function Get\_School2mun. The mapping from school codes to municipality (and province) codes. Needed only if 'check == TRUE'. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

input\_AdmUnNames

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, obtained as output of the function Get\_AdmUnNames The ISTAT file including all the codes and the names of the administrative units for the year in scope. Only needed if check == TRUE and the argument input\_School2mun is NULL. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

Logical. In case any data must be retrieved, whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

.. Additional arguments to the function Util\_nstud\_wide if data is not provided.

autoAbort

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#### **Details**

Numerical variables are summarised by the mean; Boolean variables are summarised by the mean as well, thus they become frequency indicators. Qualitative values, if included, are summarised by the mode. Summary measures do not include NAs.

#### Value

An object of class list including:

- \$Municipality\_data: object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, the output dataframe detailed at the municipality level
- \$Province\_data: object of class 'tbl\_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame', the output dataframe detailed at the province level

# Examples

Group\_teachers4stud

Arrange the number of teachers per students in public Italian schools at the province level

### Description

This function provides the average number of teachers per students in Italian public schools at the province level.

#### Usage

```
Group_teachers4stud(
  Year = 2023,
  input_nteachers = NULL,
  nteachers_filename = c("DOCTIT", "DOCSUP"),
  verbose = TRUE,
  input_nstud_raw = NULL,
  input_nstud_aggr = NULL,
  autoAbort = FALSE,
```

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```
)
```

#### **Arguments**

Year

Numeric or character value. Reference school year for the school registry data (last available is 2022). Available in the formats: 2022, "2021/2022", 202122, 20212022. 2023 by default

input\_nteachers

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. The number of teachers by province, obtained as output of the function Get\_nteachers\_prov. If NULL, the function will download it automatically but it will not be saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

nteachers\_filename

Character. If input\_nteachers is not provided, which data to retrieve regarding the number of teachers/personnel; see Get\_nteachers\_prov c("DOCTIT", "DOCSUP") by default, i.e. tenured theachers and temporary teachers.

verbose

Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE by default.

input\_nstud\_raw

Object of class 'list', including two objects of class tbl\_df', tbl and data. frame, obtainded as output of the Get\_nstud function with the default filename parameter. Not necessary if the argument input\_nstud\_aggr is provided. If NULL, the function will download it automatically but it will not be saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

input\_nstud\_aggr

Object of class list, including two objects of class tbl\_df, tbl and data. frame, obtained as output of the function Group\_nstud. If NULL, the function will compute it manually but it will not be saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

autoAbort

Logical. In case any data must be retrieved, whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

Arguments to Group\_nstud if argument input\_nstud\_aggr is not provided

#### Value

An object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame

### **Examples**

```
input_nstud23 <- Get_nstud(2023, filename ="ALUCORSOINDCLASTA", autoAbort = TRUE)
Registry23 <- Get_Registry(2023, autoAbort = TRUE)
School2mun23 <- Get_School2mun(2023, input_Registry = Registry23, autoAbort = TRUE)</pre>
```

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Map\_DB

Map school data

### **Description**

This function displays a map of the data arranged trough the function Set\_DB. It supports two kinds of map:

- Interactive map (default option), which allows the user to visualize all the data in scope through the interactive popup, and
- Static map (ggplot), which can be easily exported in .pdf objects.

The user must select a variable to display. It is possible to insert either a readily-downloaded database obtained through the function Set\_DB or the basic inputs to plug in that function, other than an input shapefile. Relevant arguments not provided by the user will be download automatically, but not saved into the global environment. However we suggest to plug in at least some inputs, as otherwise the running time may be long. This function generalises the functionalities of the more data-specific functions Map\_School\_Buildings and Map\_Invalsi.

#### Usage

```
Map_DB(
  data = NULL,
  Year = 2023,
  field,
  level = "LAU",
  plot = "mapview",
  popup_height = 200,
  col_rev = FALSE,
  pal = "viridis",
  input_shp = NULL,
  region_code = c(1:20),
```

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```
main_pos = "top",
main = "",
order = NULL,
autoAbort = FALSE,
only_observed = FALSE,
...
)
```

#### **Arguments**

data Object of class tbl.df, tbl and data.frame, obtained as output of the Set\_DB

function. If NULL, it will be arranged automatically but not saved into the

global environment. NULL by default.

Year Numeric or Character. The reference school year, needed if either data or

input\_shp are not provided. Available in the formats: 2023, "2022/2023",

202223, 20222023. 2023 by default.

field Character. The variable to display in the map.

level Character. The administrative level of detailed at which the target variable must

be displayed. Either "LAU"/"Municipality" or "NUTS-3"/"Province". If the "data" argument is plugged in, please select the same level. "LAU" by default.

plot Character. The type of map to display; either "mapview" for interactive maps,

or "ggplot" for static maps. "mapview" by default.

popup\_height Numeric. The height of the popup table in terms of pixels if the "mapview"

mode is chosen. 200 by default.

col\_rev Logical. Whether the scale of the colour palette should be reverted or not. FALSE

by default.

pal Character. The palette to use if the "mapview" mode is chose. "viridis" by

default.

input\_shp Object of class sf, tbl.df, tbl and data.frame. The relevant shapefiles of Ital-

ian administrative boundaries, at the selected level of detail (LAU or NUTS-3). If NULL, it is downloaded automatically but not saved in the global environment.

NULL by default.

region\_code Numeric. The NUTS-2 codes of the units that must be displayed. If the level is

set to "LAU", choosing a limited number of regions is recommended. By default, c(1,3,5:20), i.e. all Italian regions except the provinces of Aosta, Trento and

Bozen which have data availability issues.

main\_pos Character.Where the header should be placed if the ggplot mode is chosen. The

header is located on the top if "top" is given as input, and above the legend scale

otherwise. "top" by default.

main Character. The title to display in the "ggplot" rendering options.

order Character. The educational level. Either "Primary" (primary school), "Middle"

(middle school), or "High" (high school). If the data include the Invalsi census survey, please select a level consistent with the chosen educational grade.

"Media" by default.

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autoAbort	Logical. In case any data must be retrieved, whether to automatically abort					
	the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or serve					
	response errors. FALSE by default.					
only_observed	Logical. Whether to remove unobserved areas from the plot. FALSE by default.					
	Additional arguments for the input database, if not provided; see Set_DB					

#### Value

If plot == "mapview", an object of class mapview. Otherwise, if plot == "ggplot", an object of class gg and ggplot.

### **Examples**

Map\_Invalsi

Display a map of Invalsi scores

#### **Description**

This function displays either a static or interactive map of the Invalsi scores, either at the municipality or province level. It supports two kinds of map:

- Interactive map (default option), which allows the user to visualize all the data in scope through the interactive popup, and
- Static map (ggplot), which can be easily exported in .pdf objects.

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#### Usage

```
Map_Invalsi(
  data = NULL,
  Year = 2023,
  subj_toplot = "ITA",
  grade = 8,
  level = "LAU",
 main = "",
 main_pos = "top",
  region_code = c(1:20),
  plot = "mapview",
  pal = "viridis",
 WLE = FALSE,
  col_rev = FALSE,
  popup_height = 200,
  only_observed = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  input_shp = NULL,
  autoAbort = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

data	Object of class	tbl_df,	tbl and	ldata.frame.	The raw	Invalsi survey	data that
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has to be filtered, obtained as output of the Get\_Invalsi\_IS function. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment.

NULL by default

Year Numeric or character value. Reference school year for the data (last available

is 2022/23). Available in the formats: 2022, "2021/2022", 202122, 20212022.

2022 by default

subj\_toplot Character. The school subject to display in the map, The school subject to in-

clude, one among: "Englis\_listening"/"ELI", "English\_reading"/"ERE",

"Italian"/"ITA" and "Mathematics"/"MAT". "ITA" (Italian) by default.

grade Numeric. The school grade to chose. Either 2 (2nd year of primary school), 5

(last year of primary school), 8 (last year of middle shoool), 10 (2nd year of high

school) or 13 (last year of school). 8 by default

level Character. The level of aggregation of Invalsi census data. Either "NUTS-3",

"Province", "LAU", "Municipality". If an input dataframe is provided, please

select the same level of aggregation. "LAU" by default

main Character. A customary title to the map. If NULL, the title will mention: subject,

year and school grade. Empty by default.

main\_pos Character.Where the header should be placed if the ggplot mode is chosen. The

header is located on the top if "top" is given as input, and above the legend scale

otherwise. "top" by default.

region\_code Numeric. The NUTS-2 codes of the units that must be displayed. If the level is

set to "LAU", choosing a limited number of regions is recommended. By default,

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	c(1,3,5:20), i.e. all Italian regions except the provinces of Aosta, Trento and Bozen which have data availability issues.
plot	Character. The type of map to display; either "mapview" for interactive maps, or "ggplot" for static maps. "mapview" by default.
pal	Character. The palette to use if the "mapview" mode is chose. "viridis" by default.
WLE	Logical. Whether the variable to chose should be the average WLE score rather that the percentage of sufficient tests, if both are available. FALSE by default
col_rev	Logical. Whether the scale of the colour palette should be reverted or not, if the mapview mode is chosen. FALSE by default
popup_height	Numeric. The height of the popup table in terms of pixels if the "mapview" mode is chosen. 200 by default.
only_observed	Logical. Whether to remove unobserved areas from the plot. FALSE by default.
verbose	Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE by default.
input_shp	Object of class sf, tbl_df, tbl, data.frame. The relevant shapefiles of Italian administrative boudaries, at the selected level of detail (LAU or NUTS-3). If NULL, it is downloaded automatically but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.
autoAbort	Logical. In case any data must be retrieved, whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

#### Value

If plot == "mapview", an object of class mapview. Otherwise, if plot == "ggplot", an object of class gg and ggplot.

# **Examples**

```
Map_Invalsi(subj = "Italian", grade = 13, level = "NUTS-3", Year = 2023, WLE = FALSE,
  data = example_Invalsi23_prov, input_shp = example_Prov22_shp, plot = "ggplot")

Map_Invalsi(subj = "Italian", grade = 5, level = "NUTS-3", Year = 2023, WLE = TRUE,
  data = example_Invalsi23_prov, input_shp = example_Prov22_shp, plot = "ggplot")
```

# Description

This function displays a map of the data downloaded trough the Get\_DB\_MIUR function. It supports two kinds of map:

- Interactive map (default option), which allows the user to visualize all the data in scope through the interactive popup, and
- Static map (ggplot), which can be easily exported in .pdf objects.

### Usage

```
Map_School_Buildings(
  data = NULL,
  field,
  order = NULL,
  level = "LAU",
  region_code = c(1:20),
  plot = "mapview",
 pal = "viridis",
  col_rev = FALSE,
  popup_height = 200,
 main_pos = "top",
 main = "",
  only_observed = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  input_shp = NULL,
  autoAbort = FALSE,
)
```

### Arguments

data	Object of class list or tbl_df, tbl and data.frame. Input data obtained as output of the function Group_DB_MIUR If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.
field	Character. The variable to display in the map.
order	Character. The school order. Either "Primary", "Middle", or "High" (high school). If NULL, an average of the three school orders will be displayed for the target variable. NULL by default.
level	Character. The administrative level of detailed at which the target variable must be displayed. Either "LAU"/"Municipality" or "NUTS-3"/"Province". "LAU" by default.

region_code	Numeric. The NUTS-2 codes of the units that must be displayed. If the level is set to "LAU", choosing a limited number of regions is recommended. By default, $c(1:20)$ , i.e. all Italian regions.
plot	Character. The type of map to display; either "mapview" for interactive maps, or "ggplot" for static maps. "mapview" by default.
pal	Character. The palette to use if the "mapview" mode is chose. "viridis" by default.
col_rev	Logical. Whether the scale of the colour palette should be reverted or not, if the "mapview" mode is chosen. FALSE by default
popup_height	Numeric. The height of the popup table in terms of pixels if the "mapview" mode is chosen. 200 by default.
main_pos	Character. Where the header should be placed if the ggplot mode is chosen. The header is located on the top if "top" is given as input, and above the legend scale otherwise. "top" by default.
main	Character. The customary title to display in the "ggplot" rendering options
only_observed	Logical. Whether to remove unobserved areas from the plot. FALSE by default.
verbose	Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE by default.s
input_shp	Object of class sf, tbl_df, tbl, data.frame. The relevant shapefiles of Italian administrative boudaries, at the selected level of detail (LAU or NUTS-3). If NULL it is downloaded automatically but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.
autoAbort	Logical. In case any data must be retrieved, whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.
	If data is not provided, the arguments to Group_DB_MIUR.

# Value

If plot == "mapview", an object of class mapview. Otherwise, if plot == "ggplot", an object of class gg and ggplot.

```
library(magrittr)

DB23_MIUR <- example_input_DB23_MIUR %>%
    Util_DB_MIUR_num(track.deleted = FALSE) %>%
    Group_DB_MIUR(InnerAreas = FALSE, count_missing = FALSE)

DB23_MIUR %>% Map_School_Buildings(field = "School_bus", order = "Primary",level = "NUTS-3", plot = "ggplot", input_shp = example_Prov22_shp)
```

```
DB23_MIUR %>% Map_School_Buildings(field = "Railway_transport",
    order = "High",level = "NUTS-3", plot = "ggplot",
    input_shp = example_Prov22_shp)

DB23_MIUR %>% Map_School_Buildings(field = "Context_without_disturbances",
    order = "Middle",level = "NUTS-3", plot = "ggplot",
    input_shp = example_Prov22_shp, col_rev = TRUE)
```

Set\_DB

Build up a comprehensive database regarding the school system

# **Description**

This function generates a unique dataframe of the school system data including a customary choice of available datasets. This function allows the user to aggregate the desired datasets, when available, among these:

- · Invalsi census survey
- · School buildings
- Number of students and school classes
- Number of teachers
- · Broadband connection availability

To save as much time as possible it is possible to plug in ready-made input data; otherwise they will be downloaded automatically but not saved in the global environment When a new dataset is joined to the existing ones, it is possible that some observations in this datasets are missing. In this case, by default, the choice of keeping as much observational units as possible, or to remove units with missing variables is left to the user.

# Usage

```
Set_DB(
  Year = 2023,
  level = "LAU",
  conservative = TRUE,
  Invalsi = TRUE,
  SchoolBuildings = TRUE,
  nstud = TRUE,
  nteachers = TRUE,
  BroadBand = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE,
```

```
show_col_types = FALSE,
Invalsi_subj = c("ELI", "ERE", "ITA", "MAT"),
Invalsi_grade = c(2, 5, 8, 10, 13),
Invalsi_WLE = FALSE,
SchoolBuildings_certifications = FALSE,
SchoolBuildings_include_numerics = TRUE,
SchoolBuildings_include_qualitatives = FALSE,
SchoolBuildings_row_cutout = FALSE,
SchoolBuildings_col_cut_thresh = 20000,
SchoolBuildings_flag_outliers = TRUE,
SchoolBuildings_count_missing = FALSE,
nstud_imputation_thresh = 19,
nstud_missing_to_1 = FALSE,
UB_nstud_byclass = 99,
LB_nstud_byclass = 1,
UB_nstud_byclass_grade = NULL,
LB_nstud_byclass_grade = NULL,
nstud_filter_by_grade = FALSE,
InnerAreas = TRUE,
ord_InnerAreas = FALSE,
nstud_check = TRUE,
nstud_check_registry = "Any",
BroadBand_impute_missing = TRUE,
Date = as.Date(paste0(substr(year.patternA(Year), 1, 4), "-09-01")),
NA_autoRM = NULL,
input_Invalsi_IS = NULL,
input_Registry = NULL,
input_SchoolBuildings = NULL,
input_nstud = NULL,
input_School2mun = NULL,
input_AdmUnNames = NULL,
input_InnerAreas = NULL,
input_teachers4student = NULL,
input_nteachers = NULL,
input_BroadBand = NULL,
autoAbort = FALSE
```

# **Arguments**

)

Year	Numeric or Character. The relevant school year. Available in the formats: 2023, "2022/2023", 202223, 20222023. Important: if input datasets are plugged in, please select the same Year argument used to download the input data. 2023 by default.
level	Character. The administrative level of detail at which data must be aggregated. Either "LAU"/"Municipality" or "NUTS-3"/"Province". "LAU" by default.
conservative	Logical. If FALSE, only the schools included in all the datasets are taken as input. TRUE by default.

Invalsi Logical. Whether the Invalsi census data must be included (see Get\_Invalsi\_IS.

TRUE by default.

SchoolBuildings

Logical. Whether the school buildings dataset must be included (see link{Get\_DB\_MIUR},

Util\_DB\_MIUR\_num. TRUE by default.

nstud Logical. Whether the students number per class must be included (see Get\_nstud.

TRUE by default.

nteachers Logical. Whether the number of teachers by province must be included (see

link{Get\_nteachers\_prov}). TRUE by default.

BroadBand Logical. Whether the broadband availability in schools must be included (see

Get\_BroadBand). TRUE by default

verbose Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE

by default.

show\_col\_types Logical. If TRUE, if the verbose argument is also TRUE, the columns of the raw

dataset are shown during the download. FALSE by default.

Invalsi\_subj Character. If Invalsi == TRUE, the school subject(s) to include, among "Englis\_listening"/"ELI",

"English\_reading"/"ERE", "Italian"/"Ita" and "Mathematics"/"MAT". All

four by default.

Invalsi\_grade Numeric. If Invalsi == TRUE, the educational grade to choose. Either 2 (2nd

year of primary school), 5 (last year of primary school), 8 (last year of middle shool), 10 (2nd year of high school) or 13 (last year of school). All by default.

Invalsi\_WLE Logical. Whether to express Invalsi scores as averagev WLE score rather that

the percentage of sufficient tests, if both are Invalsi\_grade is either or 2 5. FALSE

by default

SchoolBuildings\_certifications

Logical. If the school buldings database has to be downloaded, whether to include safety certifications. Only relevant from schol year 2020/21 onwards (see

Get\_DB\_MIUR). FALSE by default

SchoolBuildings\_include\_numerics

Logical. Whether to include strictly numeric variables alongside with Boolean ones in the school buildings database (see Util\_DB\_MIUR\_num). TRUE by de-

fault.

SchoolBuildings\_include\_qualitatives

Logical. Whether to include qualitative variables alongside with Boolean ones in the school buildings database (see Util\_DB\_MIUR\_num). FALSE by default.

SchoolBuildings\_row\_cutout

Logical. Whether to filter out rows including missing fields in the school buildings database (see Util\_DB\_MIUR\_num). FALSE by default.

SchoolBuildings\_col\_cut\_thresh

Numeric. The threshold of missing values allowed for each variable in the school buildings database (see Util\_DB\_MIUR\_num). If a variable as a higher number of missing observations, then it is cut out. 20.000 by default. Warning: if the option SchoolBuildings\_row\_cutout is active, please select a lower

threshold (e.g. 1000)

#### SchoolBuildings\_flag\_outliers

Logical. Whether to assign NA to outliers in numeric variables; see Util\_DB\_MIUR\_num for more details. TRUE by default.

#### SchoolBuildings\_count\_missing

Logical. Whether the function should return the percentage of NAs in the input school buildings database (see also Group\_DB\_MIUR). FALSE by default.

# nstud\_imputation\_thresh

Numeric. If nstud\_missing\_to\_1 == TRUE, the minimum threshold below which the number of classes is imputed to 1 if missing; see also Util\_nstud\_wide. 19 by default.

# nstud\_missing\_to\_1

Numeric. If nstud == TRUE, whether the number of classes should be imputed to 1 when it is missing and the number of students is below a threshold (argument nstud\_imputation\_thresh, see Util\_nstud\_wide). FALSE by default.

# UB\_nstud\_byclass

Numeric. Either a unique value for all school orders, or a vector of three order-specific values in the order: primary, middle, high. If focus is on class size, the upper limit of the acceptable school-level (if filter\_by\_grade == FALSE) or grade-level (otherwise) average of the number of students by class. If a whole school or any grade in a school respectively has a higher number of students by class, the record is considered an outlier and filtered out. 99 by default, i.e. no restriction is made. Please notice that boundaries are included in the acceptance interval.

#### LB\_nstud\_byclass

Numeric. Either a unique value for all school orders, or a vector of three order-specific values in the order: primary, middle, wide. If focus is on class size, the lower limit of the acceptable school-level (if filter\_by\_grade == FALSE) or grade\_level (otherwise) average of the number of students by class. If a whole school or any grade in a school respectively has a smaller number of students by class, the record is considered an outlier and filtered out. 1 by default. Please notice that boundaries are included in the acceptance interval.

#### UB\_nstud\_byclass\_grade

Numeric. IF filter\_by\_grade == TRUE, the upper limit of the acceptable grade-level average class size. If NULL it is set equal to UB\_nstud\_byclass. NULL by default.

# LB\_nstud\_byclass\_grade

Numeric. IF filter\_by\_grade == TRUE, the lowrer limit of the acceptable grade-level average class size. If NULL it is set equal to LB\_nstud\_byclass. NULL by default.

#### nstud\_filter\_by\_grade

Logical. If focus is on class size, whether to remove all school grades with average class size outside of the acceptance boundaries. FALSE by default.

# InnerAreas Logical. Whether the percentage of schools belonging to inner/internal areas must be included (see Get\_InnerAreas). TRUE by default.

# ord\_InnerAreas Logical. If check == TRUE and InnerAreas == TRUE, whether the Inner areas classification should be treated as an ordinal variable rather than as a categorical one (see Get\_InnerAreas for the classification). FALSE by default.

nstud\_check

Logical. If nstud == TRUE, whether to check the students number availability across all school included in the school registries (see Util\_Check\_nstud\_availability). TRUE by default.

#### nstud\_check\_registry

Character. If nstud == TRUE and nstud\_check == TRUE, the school registries whose availability has to be checked. Either "Registry\_from\_buildings" (buildings registry), "Registry\_from\_registry" (proper registry), "Any" or "Both". "Any" by default.

# BroadBand\_impute\_missing

Whether the schools not included in the Broadband dataset must be considered in the total of schools (i.e. the denominator to the Broadband availability indicator). TRUE by default.

Date

Character or Date. The threshold date to broadband activation to consider it activated for a school, i.e. the date before which the works of broadband activation must be finished in order to consider a school as provided with the broadband. By default, September 1st at the beginning of the school year.

NA\_autoRM

Logical. Either TRUE, FALSE or NULL. If TRUE, the values missing in a single dataset are automatically deleted from the final DB. If FALSE, the missing observations are kept automatically. If NULL, the choice is left to the user by an interactive menu. NULL by default.

#### input\_Invalsi\_IS

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. If INVALSI == TRUE, the raw Invalsi survey data, obtained as output of the Get\_Invalsi\_IS function. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default

input\_Registry

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. The school registry corresponding to the year in scope, obtained as output of the function Get\_Registry. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default

#### input\_SchoolBuildings

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. If SchoolBuildings == TRUE, the raw school buildings dataset obtained as output of the function Get\_DB\_MIUR. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

input\_nstud

Object of class list, including two objects of classtbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. If nstud == TRUE, the students and classes counts, obtained as output of the function Get\_nstud with default filename parameter. If NULL, the function will download it automatically but it will not be saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

# input\_School2mun

Object of class list with elements of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame If nstud == TRUE, the mapping from school codes to municipality (and province) codes. Needed only if check == TRUE, obtained as output of the function Get\_School2mun. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

#### input\_AdmUnNames

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, obtained as output of the function Get\_AdmUnNames If necessary,the ISTAT file including all the codes and the names of the administrative units for the year in scope. Required either if nstud == TRUE & nstud\_check == TRUE, or if SchoolBuildings == TRUE, input\_DB\_MIUR is not provided, and the school year is one of 2015/16, 2017/18 or 1018/19 If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

#### input\_InnerAreas

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. If InnerAreas == TRUE, the classification of peripheral municipalities, obtained as output of the function Get\_InnerAreas If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default

# input\_teachers4student

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. If nteachers == TRUE and nstud = TRUE, the number of teachers for studets by province. Please notice that this object cannot be considered a substitute for the number of students by class since it provides no information on the number of schools in single educational grades but only at the school order level. Obtained as output of the function Group\_teachers4stud. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

#### input\_nteachers

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. If nteachers == TRUE, the number of teachers by province, obtained as output of the function Get\_nteachers\_prov. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default

# input\_BroadBand

Object of classs tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. If BroadBand == TRUE, the raw Broadband connection dataset obtaned as output of the function Get\_BroadBand If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

# autoAbort

Logical. In case any data must be retrieved, whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

#### Value

An object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame

#### See Also

 $\label{thm:check_nstud_availability, Get_School2munfor similar arguments.} Util\_DB\_MIUR, Group\_nstud, Util\_Check\_nstud\_availability, Get\_School2munfor similar arguments.}$ 

Util\_Check\_nstud\_availability

Check how many schools in the school registries are included in the students count dataframe

# **Description**

This function checks for which schools listed in the two registries (the buildings registry and the properly said schools registry) the count of students is available. The first registry is referred to as as Registry\_from\_buildings and the second one as Registry\_from\_registry.

# Usage

```
Util_Check_nstud_availability(
  data,
  Year,
  cutout = c("IC", "IS", "NR"),
  verbose = TRUE,
  ggplot = TRUE,
  toplot_registry = "Any",
  InnerAreas = TRUE,
  ord_InnerAreas = FALSE,
  input_Registry = NULL,
  input_InnerAreas = NULL,
  input_Prov_shp = NULL,
  input_AdmUnNames = NULL,
  input_School2mun = NULL,
  autoAbort = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

data Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data. frame, obtained as output of the Util\_nstud\_wide

function

Year Numeric or character value. Reference school year. Available in the formats:

2023, "2022/2023", 202223, 20222023.

cutout Character. The types of schools not to be taken into account (because not rele-

vant or because they are out of scope in the students number section). By default c("IC", "IS", "NR"), i.e. the check does not regard comprehensive institutes, superior institutes, and all the schools that cannot be classified either as primary,

middle or high schools.

verbose Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE

by default.

ggplot Logical. If TRUE, the function displays a static map of the availability of the

students number by province (but it does not save the ggplot object into the

global environment). TRUE by default.

toplot\_registry

Character. If the ggplot option is chosen, the students number availability of

which registry must be plotted; either "Registry\_from\_buildings", "Registry\_from\_registry",

"Any" or "Both". "Any" by default.

InnerAreas Logical. Whether it must be checked if municipalities belong to inner areas or

not. TRUE by default.

ord\_InnerAreas Logical. Whether the inner areas classification should be treated as an ordinal

variable rather than as a categorical one (see Get\_InnerAreas for the classifi-

cation). FALSE by default.

input\_Registry Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, obtained as output of the function

Get\_Registry The school registry from the registry section. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by

default

input\_InnerAreas

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. The classification of peripheral municipalities, obtained as output of the Get\_InnerAreas function. Needed only if the InnerAreas option is chosen. If NULL, it will be downloaded auto-

matically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default

input\_Prov\_shp Object of class sf, tbl\_df, tbl, data.frame. The relevant shapefile of Italian municipalities, if the ggplot option is chosen. If NULL it is downloaded

automatically but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

input\_AdmUnNames

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, obtained as output of the function Get\_AdmUnNames The ISTAT file including all the codes and the names of the administrative units for the year in scope. Only needed if the argument input\_School2mun is NULL and has to be computed. If NULL, it will be downloaded

automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

input\_School2mun

Object of class list with elements of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, obtained as output of the function Get\_School2mun. The mapping from school

codes to municipality (and province) codes. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

autoAbort

Logical. In case any data must be retrieved, whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

#### Value

An object of class list including two elements:

- \$Municipality\_data
- \$Province\_data

Both the elements are objects of class list including four elements:

- \$Registry\_from\_buildings: object of class of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame: the availability of the number of students in the schools listed in the buildings section.
- \$Registry\_from\_registry: object of class of class tbl\_df, tbl and data. frame: the availability of the number of students in the schools listed in the registry section.
- \$Any: object of class of class tbl\_df, tbl and data. frame: the availability of the number of students in the schools listed anywhere.
- \$Both: object of class of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame: the availability of the number of students in the schools listed in both sections.

# Source

Buildings Registry; Schools Registry

```
nstud23 <- Util_nstud_wide(example_input_nstud23, verbose = FALSE)
Util_Check_nstud_availability(nstud23, Year = 2023,
  input_Registry = example_input_Registry23, InnerAreas = FALSE,
  input_School2mun = example_School2mun23, input_Prov_shp = example_Prov22_shp)</pre>
```

Util\_DB\_MIUR\_num

Convert the raw school buildings data to numeric or Boolean variables

# **Description**

This function transforms the output variables of the Get\_DB\_MIUR into Boolean or Numeric. Additionally, it removes the columns with an excessive number of missing observations (20.000 by default), and if required it may also delete the rows including missing fields. In this case, it is possible to keep track of the deleted rows.

# Usage

```
Util_DB_MIUR_num(
  data = NULL,
  include_numerics = TRUE,
  include_qualitatives = FALSE,
  row_cutout = FALSE,
  track_deleted = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  col_cut_thresh = 20000,
  flag_outliers = TRUE,
  autoAbort = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

# **Arguments**

data

Object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. Input data obtained through the function Get\_DB\_MIUR. If NULL it will be downloaded automatically with the appropriate arguments, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

include\_numerics

Logical. Whether to include strictly numeric variables alongside with Boolean ones. TRUE by default.

include\_qualitatives

Logical. Whether to include qualitative variables alongside with Boolean ones.

FALSE by default.

row\_cutout Logical. Whether to filter out rows including missing fields. FALSE by default.

track\_deleted Logical. If TRUE, the function returns the names of the school not included in

the output dataframe. TRUE by default.

verbose Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE

by default.

col\_cut\_thresh Numeric. The threshold of missing values allowed for each variable. If a vari-

able as a higher number of missing observations, then it is cut out. 20.000 by default. Warning: if the option row\_cutout is active, please select a lower

threshold (e.g. 1000)

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flag\_outliers Logical. Whether to assign NA to outliers in numeric variables. TRUE by default.

autoAbort Logical. In case any data must be retrieved, whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

Additional arguments to the function Get\_DB\_MIUR if data is not provided.

#### **Details**

The outliers to be set to NA if flag\_outliers is active are defined as follows: School area or free area surface of less than 50 squared meters, building volume of less than 150 cubic meters, 0 floors in the building.

# Value

If track\_deleted == TRUE, An object of class list including two objects:

- \$data: object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame, the output dataframe.
- \$deleted: object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. The school IDs of the deleted units.

If track\_deleted == FALSE, the output is only the first element of the list.

# **Examples**

```
library(magrittr)

DB23_MIUR_num <- example_input_DB23_MIUR %>% Util_DB_MIUR_num(track_deleted = FALSE)

DB23_MIUR_num[, -c(1,4,6,8,9,10)]
summary(DB23_MIUR_num)
```

Util\_Invalsi\_filter Filter the Invalsi data by subject, school grade and year.

# Description

This function filters the database of Invalsi scores (see Get\_Invalsi\_IS) by school year, education grade and subject and returns a dataframe in wide format. Each row corresponds to one territorial unit (either municipality or province); the numerical variables are three (the mean score, the score's standard deviation and the students coverage percentage) for each selected subject.

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# Usage

```
Util_Invalsi_filter(
  data = NULL,
  subj = c("ELI", "ERE", "ITA", "MAT"),
  grade = 8,
  level = "LAU",
  WLE = FALSE,
  Year = 2023,
  verbose = TRUE,
  autoAbort = FALSE
)
```

# **Arguments**

data	Object of class tbl_df, tbl and data.frame. The raw Invalsi survey data that has to be filtered, obtained as output of the Get_Invalsi_IS function. If NULL, it will be downloaded automatically, but not saved in the global environment. NULL by default
subj	Character. The school subject(s) to include, among "Englis_listening"/"ELI", "English_reading"/"ERE", "Italian"/"ITA" and "Mathematics"/"MAT". All four by default.
grade	Numeric. The school grade to chose. Either 2 (2nd year of primary school), 5 (last year of primary school), 8 (last year of middle shcool), 10 (2nd year of high school) or 13 (last year of school). 8 by default
level	Character. The level of aggregation of Invalsi census data. Either "NUTS-3", "Province", "LAU", "Municipality". If an input dataframe is provided, please select the same level of aggregation. "LAU" by default
WLE	Logical. Whether the variable to choose should be the average WLE score rather that the percentage of sufficient tests, if both are available. FALSE by default
Year	Numeric or character value. Reference school year for the data (last available is 2022/23). Available in the formats: 2022, "2021/2022", 202122, 20212022. 2023 by default
verbose	Logical. If TRUE, the function informs about the time needed. TRUE by default.
autoAbort	Logical. In case any data must be retrieved, whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

# Value

An object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame. For all subjects and school grades, the variables indicate:

- M The mean score, either WLE or percentage of sufficient tests
- S The standard deviation of the score
- C The students coverage percentage (expressed in the scale 1 100)

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# **Examples**

Util\_nstud\_wide

Clean the raw dataframe of the number of students and arrange it in a wide format

# **Description**

This function rearranges the output of the Get\_nstud function in such a way to represent the counts of students and, if required, either the number of students by class and number of classes, or the counts of students per school timetable (running time) in a unique observation per school. If the focus is on class size, this function firstly cleans the data from the outliers in terms of average number of students by class at the school level and imputates the number of classes to 1 when missing.

# Usage

```
Util_nstud_wide(
  data = NULL,
  missing_to_1 = FALSE,
  nstud_imputation_thresh = 19,
  UB_nstud_byclass = 99,
  LB_nstud_byclass = 1,
  filter_by_grade = FALSE,
  UB_nstud_byclass_grade = NULL,
  LB_nstud_byclass_grade = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE,
  autoAbort = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

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# **Arguments**

data

Object of class list, including two objects of class tbl\_df, tbl and data. frame, obtainded as output of the Get\_nstud function with the default filename parameter. If NULL, the function will download it automatically but it will not be saved in the global environment. NULL by default.

missing\_to\_1

Logical. If focus is on class size, whether the number of classes should be imputed to 1 when it is missing and the number of students is below a threshold (argument nstud\_imputation\_thresh). TRUE by default.

nstud\_imputation\_thresh

Numeric. If focus is on class size, the minimum threshold below which the number of classes is imputed to 1 if missing, if missing\_to\_1 == TRUE. E.g. if the threshold is 19, for all the schools in which there are 19 or less students in a given grade but the number of classes for that grade is missing, the number of classes is imputated to 1. 19 by default.

UB\_nstud\_byclass

Numeric. Either a unique value for all school orders, or a vector of three orderspecific values in the order: primary, middle, high. If focus is on class size, the upper limit of the acceptable school-level (if filter\_by\_grade == FALSE) or grade-level (otherwise) average of the number of students by class. If a whole school or any grade in a school respectively has a higher number of students by class, the record is considered an outlier and filtered out. 99 by default, i.e. no restriction is made. Please notice that boundaries are included in the acceptance interval.

Numeric. Either a unique value for all school orders, or a vector of three orderspecific values in the order: primary, middle, wide. If focus is on class size, the lower limit of the acceptable school-level (if filter\_by\_grade == FALSE) or grade level (otherwise) average of the number of students by class. If a whole school or any grade in a school respectively has a smaller number of students by class, the record is considered an outlier and filtered out. 1 by default. Please notice that boundaries are included in the acceptance interval.

filter\_by\_grade

Logical. If focus is on class size, whether to remove all school grades with average class size outside of the acceptance boundaries. FALSE by default.

UB\_nstud\_byclass\_grade

Numeric. IF filter\_by\_grade == TRUE, the upper limit of the acceptable gradelevel average class size. If NULL it is set equal to UB\_nstud\_byclass. NULL by default.

LB\_nstud\_byclass\_grade

Numeric. IF filter\_by\_grade == TRUE, the lowrer limit of the acceptable grade-level average class size. If NULL it is set equal to LB\_nstud\_byclass. NULL by default.

Logical. If TRUE, the user keeps track of the main underlying operations. TRUE verbose by default.

autoAbort Logical. In case any data must be retrieved, whether to automatically abort the operation and return NULL in case of missing internet connection or server response errors. FALSE by default.

LB\_nstud\_byclass

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... Arguments to Get\_nstud, needed if data is not provided.

# **Details**

In the example, we compare the dataframe obtained with the default settings and the one imposed setting narrow inclusion criteria

# Value

An object of class tbl\_df, tbl and data.frame

```
nstud.default <- Util_nstud_wide(example_input_nstud23)
nstud.narrow <- Util_nstud_wide(example_input_nstud23,
    UB_nstud_byclass = 35, LB_nstud_byclass = 5 )
nrow(nstud.default)
nrow(nstud.narrow)
nstud.default
summary(nstud.default)</pre>
```

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