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fires\_spring\_uk

Spring Wildfires in the UK (2002-2022)

# **Description**

A dataset containing point data of all wildfires that happened in the UK in the months of March, April and May between 2002 and 2022. From the MODIS Collection 6.1 of the NASA FIRMS Archive

# Usage

fires\_spring\_uk

# **Format**

A data frame of class "sf" with 9448 rows and 5 variables:

LATITUDE Latitude of the fire
LONGITUDE Longitude of the fire
geometry Point coordinates of the fire
year Year
month Month

# Author(s)

Matteo Larrode

# **Source**

https://firms.modaps.eosdis.nasa.gov/download/

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Summer Wildfires in the UK (2002-2022)

# **Description**

A dataset containing point data of all wildfires that happened in the UK in the months of June, July, August, and September between 2002 and 2022. From the MODIS Collection 6.1 of the NASA FIRMS Archive

# Usage

```
fires_summer_uk
```

# **Format**

A data frame of class "sf" with 5221 rows and 5 variables:

LATITUDE Latitude of the fire
LONGITUDE Longitude of the fire
geometry Point coordinates of the fire
year Year
month Month

#### **Source**

https://firms.modaps.eosdis.nasa.gov/download/

indic\_msoa\_eng\_wales Socioeconomic Indicators for England and Wales at MSOA Level

### **Description**

This dataset provides a comprehensive collection of socioeconomic variables for Middle Layer Super Output Areas (MSOAs) in England and Wales. Derived primarily from Census data, these indicators have been used for constructing the Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI).

#### **Usage**

```
indic_msoa_eng_wales
```

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#### **Format**

A tibble with 7,264 rows and 26 variables:

msoa code character MSOA code uniquely identifying each area.

msoa\_name character Descriptive name of the MSOA.

pop\_age\_15below\_normalised double Percentage of the population aged below 15 years old.

pop\_age\_65over\_normalised double Percentage of the population aged over 65 years old.

no\_qualification\_normalised double Percentage of the population without educational qualifications.

... Other socioeconomic indicators such as disability, health status, household composition, housing status, employment, and ethnicity, all normalised by MSOA population.

#### **Details**

The indicators within this dataset were selected based on a comprehensive literature review that identified key factors contributing to social vulnerability, particularly in the context of wildfire risk. The normalisation process facilitates comparison across different MSOAs and enhances the dataset's utility in spatial analyses.

### References

The selection of variables is based on the methodology and literature review conducted in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} indic\_msoa\_scotland & Socioeconomic Indicators for Scotland's Middle Layer Super Output \\ Areas (MSOAs) & \\ \end{tabular}$ 

# Description

This dataset contains socioeconomic indicators from the 2021 Census for MSOAs in Scotland, essential for understanding demographic patterns, social vulnerability, and aiding in socio-economic analyses and policy formulation.

#### **Usage**

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#### **Format**

A tibble with 1,279 rows and 20 variables. Key variables include:

iz11\_code character Unique identifier for each MSOA, known as Intermediate Zone (IZ) code.

iz11\_name character Name of the MSOA, known as Intermediate Zone (IZ) name.

**under15\_normalised** double Normalised proportion of the population under 15 years.

over65\_normalised double Normalised proportion of the population over 65 years.

**no\_qualifcations\_normalised** double Normalised proportion of the population without formal qualifications.

... Other socioeconomic indicators such as employment status, housing conditions, and ethnic diversity, all normalised for comparative analysis.

#### **Details**

The indicators within this dataset were selected based on a comprehensive literature review that identified key factors contributing to social vulnerability, particularly in the context of wildfire risk. The normalisation process facilitates comparison across different areas and enhances the dataset's utility in spatial analyses.

#### References

The selection of variables is based on the methodology and literature review conducted in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) - Census 2021 data.

indic\_sdz\_ni

Socioeconomic Indicators for Northern Ireland's Super Data Zones

# Description

This dataset encapsulates a range of socioeconomic indicators derived from the 2021 Census for Super Data Zones (SDZs) in Northern Ireland.

# Usage

indic\_sdz\_ni

#### **Format**

A tibble with 850 rows and 16 variables:

sdz21\_code character Unique identifier for each Super Data Zone.
under15\_normalised double Proportion of the population under 15 years.
over65\_normalised double Proportion of the population over 65 years.

no\_qual\_normalised double Proportion of the population without any formal qualifications.

disabled\_normalised double Proportion of the population with disabilities.

**longterm\_condition\_normalised** double Proportion of the population with long-term health conditions.

**unemployed\_normalised** double Proportion of the unemployed population.

**skilled\_occupation\_normalised** double Proportion of the population in skilled occupations.

**private\_renter\_normalised** double Proportion of the population living in privately rented accommodations.

social\_renter\_normalised double Proportion of the population living in socially rented accommodations.

no\_car\_normalised double Proportion of households without access to a car.

**caravan\_normalised** double Proportion of the population living in caravans or other temporary structures.

**single\_person\_house\_normalised** double Proportion of single-person households.

**other\_ethnicity\_normalised** double Proportion of the population belonging to ethnic minorities, excluding the major ethnic groups.

migrant\_inside\_normalised double Proportion of the population who migrated from within the UK.

migrant\_outside\_normalised double Proportion of the population who migrated from outside the UK.

#### **Details**

The indicators within this dataset were selected based on a comprehensive literature review that identified key factors contributing to social vulnerability, particularly in the context of wildfire risk. The normalisation process facilitates comparison across different areas and enhances the dataset's utility in spatial analyses.

#### References

The selection of variables is based on the methodology and literature review conducted in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) - Census 2021 data.

### **Description**

Given a binary 'worst-decile' type variable at the MSOA level or equivalent, aggregates it to the Lower Tier Local Authority level and maps it. In this function, the theme is designed for the mapping of a 'worst quintile' binary variable for the wildfire risk and social vulnerability index.

### Usage

```
map_worst_decile_ltla(df, nation = "All")
```

### **Arguments**

df Dataset including a 'is\_worst\_deciles' column

nation (default is "All"). Nation to be mapped: one of "All", "England", "Wales",

"Scotland", or "Northern Ireland"

#### Value

An image (png) with the map (not yet)

map\_worst\_decile\_msoa Map Worst Decile MSOAs in the UK

# **Description**

Maps a binary variable at the MSOA level or equivalent for the UK or a given nation. In this function, the theme is designed for the mapping of a 'worst quintile' binary variable for the wildfire risk and social vulnerability index.

# Usage

```
map_worst_decile_msoa(df, nation = "All")
```

# **Arguments**

df Dataset including a 'is\_worst\_deciles' column

nation (default is "All"). Nation to be mapped: one of "All", "England", "Wales",

"Scotland", or "Northern Ireland"

### Value

An image (png) with the map (not yet)

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sovi_england Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI) for England's MSOAs
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#### **Description**

This dataset quantifies the Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI) across Middle Layer Super Output Areas (MSOAs) in England. The SoVI is a composite measure derived from various socio-economic and demographic variables, providing insights into relative vulnerability across the UK.

#### Usage

sovi\_england

#### **Format**

A tibble with 6,856 rows and 4 columns:

msoa21 code character MSOA code.

msoa21\_name character MSOA name.

**SoVI** double Social Vulnerability Index score.

**SoVI\_standardised** double Standardised Social Vulnerability Index score.

#### **Details**

The SoVI is constructed using Principal Component Analysis (PCA) on a set of socio-economic and demographic variables sourced from the Census, as detailed in the referenced study. This index provides insights into the relative vulnerability of communities to social and environmental hazards, with higher scores indicating greater vulnerability.

#### References

The methodology for constructing the SoVI is detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility," by Hasan Guler.

sovi_ni	Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI) for Northern Ireland's Super Data Zones

# **Description**

This dataset quantifies the Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI) across Super Data Zones (SDZs) in Northern Ireland. The SoVI is a composite measure derived from various socio-economic and demographic variables, providing insights into relative vulnerability across the UK.

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# Usage

sovi\_ni

#### **Format**

A tibble with 850 rows and 4 columns:

sdz21\_code character Super Data Zone code.

sdz21\_name character Super Data Zone name.

SoVI double Social Vulnerability Index score.

SoVI\_standardised double Standardised Social Vulnerability Index score.

#### **Details**

The SoVI is constructed using Principal Component Analysis (PCA) on a set of socio-economic and demographic variables sourced from the Census, as detailed in the referenced study. This index provides insights into the relative vulnerability of communities to social and environmental hazards, with higher scores indicating greater vulnerability.

#### References

The methodology for constructing the SoVI is detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility," by Hasan Guler.

sovi\_scotland

Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI) for Scotland's Intermediate Zones

# Description

This dataset presents the Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI) for Intermediate Zones (IZs) in Scotland; The SoVI is a composite measure derived from various socio-economic and demographic variables, providing insights into relative vulnerability across the UK.

### Usage

sovi\_scotland

#### **Format**

A tibble with 1,279 rows and 4 columns:

iz11\_code character Intermediate Zone code.

iz11 name character Intermediate Zone name.

SoVI double Social Vulnerability Index score.

SoVI\_standardised double Standardised Social Vulnerability Index score.

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#### **Details**

The SoVI is constructed using Principal Component Analysis (PCA) on a set of socio-economic and demographic variables sourced from the Census, as detailed in the referenced study. This index provides insights into the relative vulnerability of communities to social and environmental hazards, with higher scores indicating greater vulnerability.

#### References

The methodology for constructing the SoVI is detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility," by Hasan Guler.

sovi\_wales

Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI) for Wales' MSOAs

# Description

This dataset indicates the Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI) for Middle Layer Super Output Areas (MSOAs) in Wales. The SoVI is a composite measure derived from various socio-economic and demographic variables, providing insights into relative vulnerability across the UK.

### Usage

sovi\_wales

#### **Format**

A tibble with 408 rows and 4 columns:

msoa21\_code character MSOA code.

msoa21\_name character MSOA name.

SoVI double Social Vulnerability Index score.

**SoVI\_standardised** double Standardised SoVI score.

#### **Details**

The SoVI is constructed using Principal Component Analysis (PCA) on a set of socio-economic and demographic variables sourced from the Census, as detailed in the referenced study. This index provides insights into the relative vulnerability of communities to social and environmental hazards, with higher scores indicating greater vulnerability.

#### References

The methodology for constructing the SoVI is detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility," by Hasan Guler.

spring\_independent\_var\_stack

Predictors of Spring Wildfires in the UK

# **Description**

This RasterStack object contains a collection of raster layers representing various environmental predictors related to spring wildfires in the UK.

#### Usage

spring\_independent\_var\_stack

#### **Format**

A RasterStack object with the following layers:

**Slope** Raster layer representing the slope of the terrain.

**Aspect** Raster layer representing the aspect of the terrain.

**Average.Temperature** Raster layer representing the average temperature during spring.

**Precipitation** Raster layer representing precipitation during spring.

Wind.Speed Raster layer representing average wind speed during spring.

**Proximity.to.Major.Roads** Raster layer representing proximity to major roads.

**Population.Counts** Raster layer representing population counts in the UK.

# **Details**

The RasterStack has the following properties:

- class: RasterStack
- dimensions: 263 rows, 250 columns, 65750 cells, 7 layers
- resolution: 0.04166667 x 0.04166667 (x, y)
- extent: -8.666667, 1.75, 49.875, 60.83333 (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)
- crs: +proj=longlat +datum=WGS84 +no\_defs
- names: Slope, Aspect, Average.Temperature, Precipitation, Wind.Speed, Proximity.to.Major.Roads, Population.Counts
- $\bullet$  min values: 0.00000, 0.00000, 0.00000, 33.96667, 2.93600, -0.09200, 0.00000
- max values: 0.0930622, 6.2831853, 10.5779605, 193.2136383, 10.3826666, 68.3430023, 441.3430481

# Author(s)

Matteo Larrode

# See Also

raster, stack

summer\_independent\_var\_stack

Predictors of Summer Wildfires in the UK

# Description

This RasterStack object contains a collection of raster layers representing various environmental predictors related to summer wildfires in the UK.

# Usage

summer\_independent\_var\_stack

#### **Format**

A RasterStack object with the following layers:

**Slope** Raster layer representing the slope of the terrain.

**Aspect** Raster layer representing the aspect of the terrain.

Average.Temperature Raster layer representing the average temperature during summer.

**Precipitation** Raster layer representing precipitation during summer.

Wind.Speed Raster layer representing average wind speed during summer.

Proximity.to.Major.Roads Raster layer representing proximity to major roads.

**Population.Counts** Raster layer representing population counts in the UK.

## **Details**

The RasterStack has the following properties:

- class: RasterStack
- dimensions: 263 rows, 250 columns, 65750 cells, 7 layers
- resolution:  $0.04166667 \times 0.04166667 (x, y)$
- extent: -8.666667, 1.75, 49.875, 60.83333 (xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)
- crs: +proj=longlat +datum=WGS84 +no\_defs
- names: Slope, Aspect, Average.Temperature, Precipitation, Wind.Speed, Proximity.to.Major.Roads, Population.Counts
- min values: 0.000000, 0.000000, 8.392517, 44.140907, 2.506667, -0.092000, 0.000000
- max values: 0.0930622, 6.2831853, 18.0772878, 203.4393921, 8.6173331, 68.3430023, 441.3430481

# Author(s)

Matteo Larrode

#### See Also

raster, stack

wildfire\_risk\_spring\_england

Spring Wildfire Risk Prediction for England's MSOAs

# **Description**

This dataset provides predicted wildfire risk levels for Middle Layer Super Output Areas (MSOAs) in England in the spring, based on a Random Forest model incorporating various environmental and anthropogenic factors.

#### **Usage**

```
wildfire_risk_spring_england
```

#### **Format**

A tibble with 6,856 rows and 5 columns:

msoa21 name character MSOA name.

msoa21 code character MSOA code.

wildfire\_risk\_spring double Predicted wildfire risk score. Higher values signify greater risk.

ltla21\_code character Local Authority code (higher level geography).

wildfire\_risk\_spring\_standardised double Standardised wildfire risk score.

# **Details**

Wildfire risk predictions are generated using a Random Forest model, considering climatological, topographical, and land use variables, as detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

```
wildfire_risk_spring_ni
```

Spring Wildfire Risk Prediction for Northern Ireland's Super Data Zones

# Description

This dataset outlines predicted wildfire risk levels for Super Data Zones (SDZs) in Northern Ireland in the spring, derived from a Random Forest analysis that integrates environmental and anthropogenic variables.

# Usage

```
wildfire_risk_spring_ni
```

#### **Format**

A tibble with 850 rows and 5 columns:

sdz21 name character SDZ name.

sdz21\_code character SDZ code.

wildfire\_risk\_spring double Predicted wildfire risk score. Higher values signify greater risk.

**Itla21\_code** character Local Authority code (higher level geography).

wildfire\_risk\_spring\_standardised double Standardised wildfire risk score.

#### **Details**

Wildfire risk predictions are generated using a Random Forest model, considering climatological, topographical, and land use variables, as detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

wildfire\_risk\_spring\_scotland

Spring Wildfire Risk Prediction for Scotland's Intermediate Zones

# **Description**

Predicted wildfire risk levels for Intermediate Zones (IZs) in Scotland in the spring, utilizing a Random Forest model that integrates environmental and anthropogenic variables.

# Usage

```
wildfire_risk_spring_scotland
```

#### **Format**

A tibble with 1,279 rows and 5 columns:

iz11\_name character IZ name.

iz11\_code character IZ code.

wildfire\_risk\_spring double Predicted wildfire risk score. Higher values signify greater risk.

**Itla21\_code** character Local Authority code (higher level geography).

wildfire\_risk\_spring\_standardised double Standardised wildfire risk score.

### **Details**

Wildfire risk predictions are generated using a Random Forest model, considering climatological, topographical, and land use variables, as detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

wildfire\_risk\_spring\_wales

Spring Wildfire Risk Prediction for Wales' MSOAs

### **Description**

This dataset assesses wildfire risk across Middle Layer Super Output Areas (MSOAs) in Wales in the spring, derived from a Random Forest analysis that integrates environmental and anthropogenic variables.

# Usage

```
wildfire_risk_spring_wales
```

#### **Format**

A tibble with 408 rows and 5 columns:

msoa21\_name character MSOA name.

msoa21\_code character MSOA code.

wildfire\_risk\_spring double Predicted wildfire risk score. Higher values signify greater risk.

**Itla21\_code** character Local Authority code (higher level geography).

wildfire\_risk\_spring\_standardised double Standardised wildfire risk score.

#### **Details**

Wildfire risk predictions are generated using a Random Forest model, considering climatological, topographical, and land use variables, as detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

```
wildfire_risk_summer_england
```

Summer Wildfire Risk Prediction for England's MSOAs

# **Description**

This dataset provides predicted wildfire risk levels for Middle Layer Super Output Areas (MSOAs) in England in the summer, based on a Random Forest model incorporating various environmental and anthropogenic factors.

# Usage

```
wildfire_risk_summer_england
```

#### **Format**

A tibble with 6,856 rows and 5 columns:

```
msoa21_name character MSOA name.
```

msoa21\_code character MSOA code.

wildfire\_risk\_summer double Predicted wildfire risk score. Higher values signify greater risk.

Itla21\_code character Local Authority code (higher level geography).

wildfire\_risk\_summer\_standardised double Standardised wildfire risk score.

#### **Details**

Wildfire risk predictions are generated using a Random Forest model, considering climatological, topographical, and land use variables, as detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

```
wildfire_risk_summer_ni
```

Summer Wildfire Risk Prediction for Northern Ireland's Super Data Zones

# **Description**

This dataset outlines predicted wildfire risk levels for Super Data Zones (SDZs) in Northern Ireland in the summer, derived from a Random Forest analysis that integrates environmental and anthropogenic variables.

### Usage

```
wildfire_risk_summer_ni
```

#### **Format**

A tibble with 850 rows and 5 columns:

```
sdz21_name character SDZ name.
```

sdz21 code character SDZ code.

wildfire\_risk\_summer double Predicted wildfire risk score. Higher values signify greater risk.

**Itla21\_code** character Local Authority code (higher level geography).

wildfire\_risk\_summer\_standardised double Standardised wildfire risk score.

# **Details**

Wildfire risk predictions are generated using a Random Forest model, considering climatological, topographical, and land use variables, as detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

wildfire\_risk\_summer\_scotland

Summer Wildfire Risk Prediction for Scotland's Intermediate Zones

# **Description**

Predicted wildfire risk levels for Intermediate Zones (IZs) in Scotland in the summer, utilizing a Random Forest model that integrates environmental and anthropogenic variables.

## Usage

wildfire\_risk\_summer\_scotland

#### **Format**

A tibble with 1,279 rows and 5 columns:

iz11\_name character IZ name.

iz11\_code character IZ code.

wildfire\_risk\_summer double Predicted wildfire risk score. Higher values signify greater risk.

ltla21\_code character Local Authority code (higher level geography).

wildfire\_risk\_summer\_standardised double Standardised wildfire risk score.

#### **Details**

Wildfire risk predictions are generated using a Random Forest model, considering climatological, topographical, and land use variables, as detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

wildfire\_risk\_summer\_wales

Summer Wildfire Risk Prediction for Wales' MSOAs

# **Description**

This dataset assesses wildfire risk across Middle Layer Super Output Areas (MSOAs) in Wales in the summer, derived from a Random Forest analysis that integrates environmental and anthropogenic variables.

# Usage

wildfire\_risk\_summer\_wales

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#### **Format**

A tibble with 408 rows and 5 columns:

msoa21\_name character MSOA name.

msoa21 code character MSOA code.

wildfire\_risk\_summer double Predicted wildfire risk score. Higher values signify greater risk.

ltla21\_code character Local Authority code (higher level geography).

wildfire\_risk\_summer\_standardised double Standardised wildfire risk score.

#### **Details**

Wildfire risk predictions are generated using a Random Forest model, considering climatological, topographical, and land use variables, as detailed in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

w\_sovi\_uk

Combined Summer Wildfire Risk and Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI) for UK MSOAs

# Description

This dataset integrates the Social Vulnerability Index (SoVI) and summer wildfire risk predictions across Middle Layer Super Output Areas (MSOAs) in the UK. It includes a binary indicator identifying MSOAs within the worst deciles (8th, 9th, or 10th) for both SoVI and wildfire risk.

## Usage

w\_sovi\_uk

# Format

A tibble with 9,393 rows and 5 columns:

msoa21\_code character MSOA (or equivalent) code.

**ltla21\_code** character Local Authority code.

SoVI\_standardised double Standardised Social Vulnerability Index score.

wildfire risk standardised double Standardised wildfire risk score.

**is\_worst\_deciles** character Indicator for MSOAs in the worst deciles (8th, 9th, or 10th) for both SoVI and wildfire risk. 'yes' indicates presence in the worst deciles, 'NA' denotes otherwise.

#### References

The approach for combining SoVI and wildfire risk scores and the methodology for determining the worst deciles are based on principles outlined in "Spatial Assessment of Wildfire Vulnerability in England and Wales: Coupling Social Vulnerability with Predicted Wildfire Susceptibility" by Hasan Guler.

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