

Package ‘censusr’

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aggregate_moe	<i>Aggregated margin of error across multiple geographies</i>
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Description

Aggregated margin of error across multiple geographies

Usage

```
aggregate_moe(x)
```

Arguments

`x` A numeric vector containing margins of error for estimates in multiple geographies.

Details

Applies a root sum of squared errors. See page A-14 of this guide: <https://www.census.gov/library/publications/2009/acs/rese>

Value

The aggregated margin of error for the geographies.

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Examples

```
x <- c(3, 5, 12, 4)
aggregate_moe(x)
data_frame(x = x, group = c(1, 1, 2, 2)) %>%
  group_by(group) %>%
  summarise(moe = aggregate_moe(x))
```

append_geoid	<i>Retrieve GEOID from the Census Geocoder by address</i>
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Description

Returns GEOID for 2010 geographies.

Usage

```
append_geoid(address, geoid_type = "bl")
```

Arguments

address	A tibble/data frame with (at a minimum, others can be present) either character columns street, city, and state OR numeric columns lat and lon. Lat/lon columns take priority.
geoid_type	GEOID level to return, c('co', 'tr', 'bg', 'bl'). Defaults to block.

Details

It is possible in some situations for the geolocator API to return a 500 error. Repeating the call should avoid this.

Value

the original tibble with GEOIDs appended as a new column called geoid.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
airports <- dplyr::data_frame(  
  street = "700 Catalina Dr", city = "Daytona Beach", state = "FL"  
)  
append_geoid(airports, 'tr')  
  
## End(Not run)
```

call_api_once	<i>Call Census API for a set of variables</i>
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Description

This is an internal function and is not intended for users. See instead [call_census_api](#).

Usage

```
call_api_once(variables_to_get, geoid, allgeos, data_source, year, period,
             api_key)
```

Arguments

variables_to_get

A character vector of the desired variable names for the Census API call, defined at <https://www.census.gov/data/developers/data-sets.html>

geoid

A character string with a FIPS code, between 2 and 15 digits long.

allgeos

(optional) A string identifying the type of geography for which to collect data within the the requested geoids. Must be one of c('co', 'tr', 'bg', 'bl'). For instance, if allgeos = "bg", will return all block groups within the given geoids.

data_source

A string identifying whether the SF1 (decennial census) or ACS data is desired.

year

If data_source = "acs", the final year of the summary period. Default is 2013.

period

If data_source = "acs", the length of aggregation period. Default is 5, or a 5-year aggregation table.

api_key

The user's Census API key (as a character string). You can get a free key from [Census](http://api.census.gov/data/key_signup.html). See vignette('censusr', package = 'census') to setup a default key as an environment variable.

Value

A `codedata.frame` with the requested variables at the requested geography.

call_census_api	<i>Retrieve data from the Census API</i>
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Description

Returns Census data for the 2010 SF1 or ACS 2013-2015 1-, 3-, and 5-Yr aggregations for requested variables and geographies.

Usage

```
call_census_api(variables_to_get, names = NULL, geoids, allgeos = NULL,
  data_source = c("sf1", "acs"), year = 2013, period = 5,
  api_key = NULL)
```

Arguments

variables_to_get

A character vector of the desired variable names for the Census API call, defined at <https://www.census.gov/data/developers/data-sets.html>

names

A character vector of the same length as variables_to_get giving the user-defined names for the variables (optional). Defaults to raw API names.

geoids

A character vector of FIPS codes; must be at least to the county (5-digit) level, and can accept down to blocks (15-digit).

allgeos

(optional) A string identifying the type of geography for which to collect data within the the requested geoids. Must be one of c('co', 'tr', 'bg', 'bl'). For instance, if allgeos = "bg", will return all block groups within the given geoids.

data_source

A string identifying whether the SF1 (decennial census) or ACS data is desired.

year

If data_source = "acs", the final year of the summary period. Default is 2013.

period

If data_source = "acs", the length of aggregation period. Default is 5, or a 5-year aggregation table.

api_key

The user's Census API key (as a character string). You can get a free key from [Census](http://api.census.gov/data/key_signup.html). See vignette('censusr', package = 'census') to setup a default key as an environment variable.

Details

See vignette('censusr', package = 'censusr') for examples.

Value

a data_frame with each requested variable at each requested geography.

call_geocator	<i>Call geocator for one address</i>
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Description

Call geocator for one address

Usage

```
call_geocator(street, city, state)
```

Arguments

street	A character string indicating a street name and number
city	A character string indicating a city
state	A two-digit character string with a state postal code

Value

A character string representing the Census block of the supplied address.
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call_geolocator_latlon

Call geolocator for one address with lat/lon

Description

Call geolocator for one address with lat/lon

Usage

```
call_geolocator_latlon(lat, lon)
```

Arguments

lat	A numeric value
lon	A numeric value

Value

A character string representing the Census block of the supplied lat/lon.
 importFrom utils URLencode importFrom httr GET stop_for_status

censusr

censusr: A package to download Census API data

Description

The censusr package provides principally one main function: `call_census_api` allows users to pass a list of variables and a list of geographies, and returns a `data_frame` with the requested data.

get_geo_url	<i>Construct a geography request string from a FIPS Code</i>
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Description

Construct a geography request string from a FIPS Code

Usage

```
get_geo_url(geoid, allgeos)
```

Arguments

geoid	A character string with a FIPS code, between 2 and 15 digits long.
allgeos	(optional) A string identifying the type of geography for which to collect data within the the requested geoids. Must be one of c('co', 'tr', 'bg', 'bl'). For instance, if allgeos = "bg", will return all block groups within the given geoids.

Value

A string with the FIPS formatted for an API request.

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