Package 'spanishoddata'

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`spod_available_data` *Get available data list*

Description

[Stable]

Get a table with links to available data files for the specified data version. Optionally check (see arguments) the file size and availability of data files previously downloaded into the cache directory specified with SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR environment variable (set by `spod_set_data_dir()`) or a custom path specified with `data_dir` argument. By default the data is fetched from Amazon S3 bucket where the data is stored. If that fails, the function falls back to downloading an XML file from the Spanish Ministry of Transport website. You can also control this behaviour with `use_s3` argument.

For detailed data descriptions, see package vignettes using `spod_codebook(ver = 1)` and `spod_codebook(ver = 2)` and official methodology documents in **References** section.

Usage

```
spod_available_data(
  ver = 2,
  check_local_files = FALSE,
  quiet = FALSE,
  data_dir = spod_get_data_dir(),
  use_s3 = if (ver == 1) FALSE else TRUE,
  force = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

`ver`	Integer. Can be 1 or 2. The version of the data to use. v1 spans 2020-2021, v2 covers 2022 and onwards. See more details in codebooks with `spod_codebook()`.
`check_local_files`	Logical. Whether to check if the local files exist and get the file size. Defaults to `FALSE`.
`quiet`	A `logical` value indicating whether to suppress messages. Default is `FALSE`.
`data_dir`	The directory where the data is stored. Defaults to the value returned by `spod_get_data_dir()`.
`use_s3`	**[Experimental]** Logical. If `TRUE`, use Amazon S3 to get available data list, which does not require downloading the XML file and caching it locally, which may be a bit faster. If `FALSE`, use the XML file to get available data list. Defaults to `FALSE` for `ver = 1` because the v1 Amazon S3 bucket is incomplete (truncates at March 2021). Defaults to `TRUE` for `ver = 2` as the S3 API is faster and complete for newer data.
`force`	Logical. If `TRUE`, force re-download of metadata. For Amazon S3 this queries the S3 bucket for the XML file it re-downloads. If `FALSE`, only update the available data list if it is older than 1 day.

Value

A tibble with links, release dates of files in the data, dates of data coverage, local paths to files, and the download status.

target_url `character`. The URL link to the data file.

pub_ts `POSIXct`. The timestamp of when the file was published.

file_extension `character`. The file extension of the data file (e.g., 'tar', 'gz').

data_ym `Date`. The year and month of the data coverage, if available.

data_ymd `Date`. The specific date of the data coverage, if available.

study `factor`. Study category derived from the URL (e.g., 'basic', 'complete', 'routes').

type `factor`. Data type category derived from the URL (e.g., 'number_of_trips', 'origin-destination', 'overnight_stays', 'data_quality', 'metadata').

period `factor`. Temporal granularity category derived from the URL (e.g., 'day', 'month').

zones `factor`. Geographic zone classification derived from the URL (e.g., 'districts', 'municipalities', 'large_urban_areas').

local_path `character`. The local file path where the data is (or going to be) stored.

downloaded `logical`. Indicator of whether the data file has been downloaded locally. This is only available if `check_local_files` is `TRUE`.

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Use `spod_cite()` to cite the package and the data with correct plain text, markdown, or BibTeX formats.

Examples

```
# Set data dir for file downloads
spod_set_data_dir(tempdir())

# Get available data list for v1 (2020-2021) data
spod_available_data(ver = 1)

# Get available data list for v2 (2022 onwards) data
spod_available_data(ver = 2)

# Get available data list for v2 (2022 onwards) data
# while also checking for local files that are already downloaded
spod_available_data(ver = 2, check_local_files = TRUE)
```

spod_check_files *Check cached files consistency against checksums from S3*

Description

[Experimental]

WARNING: The checks may fail for May 2022 data and for some 2025 data, as the remote cheksums that are used for checking the file consistency are incorrect. We are working on solving this in future updates, for now, kindly rely on the built-in file size checks of `spod_download`**,** `spod_get`**, and** `spod_convert`**.** This function checks downloaded data files whether they are consistent with their checksums in Amazon S3 by computing ETag for each file. This involves computing MD5 for each part of the file and concatenating them and computing MD5 again on the resulting concatenated MD5s. This may take very long time if you check all files, so use with caution.

Usage

```
spod_check_files(
  type = c("od", "origin-destination", "os", "overnight_stays", "nt", "number_of_trips"),
  zones = c("districts", "dist", "distr", "distritos", "municipalities", "muni",
   "municip", "municipios", "lua", "large_urban_areas", "gau", "grandes_areas_urbanas"),
  dates = NULL,
  data_dir = spod_get_data_dir(),
  quiet = FALSE,
  ignore_missing_dates = FALSE,
  n_threads = 1
)
```

Arguments

type	The type of data to download. Can be `"origin-destination"` (or ust `"od"`), or `"number_of_trips"` (or just `"nt"`) for v1 data. For v2 data `"overnight_stays"` (or just `"os"`) is also available. More data types to be supported in the future. See codebooks for v1 and v2 data in vignettes with `spod_codebook(1)` and `spod_codebook(2)` (spod_codebook).
zones	The zones for which to download the data. Can be `"districts"` (or `"dist"`, `"distr"`, or the original Spanish `"distritos"`) or `"municipalities"` (or `"muni"`, `"municip"`, or the original Spanish `"municipios"`) for both data versions. Additionaly, these can be `"large_urban_areas"` (or `"lua"`, or the original Spanish `"grandes_areas_urbanas"`, or `"gau"`) for v2 data (2022 onwards).
dates	A `character` or `Date` vector of dates to process. Kindly keep in mind that v1 and v2 data follow different data collection methodologies and may not be directly comparable. Therefore, do not try to request data from both versions for the same date range. If you need to compare data from both versions, please refer to the respective codebooks and methodology documents. The v1 data covers the period from 2020-02-14 to 2021-05-09, and the v2 data covers the

period from 2022-01-01 to the present until further notice. The true dates range is checked against the available data for each version on every function run.

The possible values can be any of the following:

- For the `spod_get()` and `spod_convert()` functions, the `dates` can be set to "cached_v1" or "cached_v2" to request data from cached (already previously downloaded) v1 (2020-2021) or v2 (2022 onwards) data. In this case, the function will identify and use all data files that have been downloaded and cached locally, (e.g. using an explicit run of `spod_download()`, or any data requests made using the `spod_get()` or `spod_convert()` functions).
- A single date in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. `character` or `Date` object.
- A vector of dates in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. `character` or `Date` object. Can be any non-consecutive sequence of dates.
- A date range
  - eigher a `character` or `Date` object of length 2 with clearly named elements `start` and `end` in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. E.g. `c(start = "2020-02-15", end = "2020-02-17")`;
  - or a `character` object of the form `YYYY-MM-DD_YYYY-MM-DD` or `YYYYMMDD_YYYYMMDD`. For example, `2020-02-15_2020-02-17` or `20200215_20200217`.
- A regular expression to match dates in the format `YYYYMMDD`. `character` object. For example, `^202002` will match all dates in February 2020.

`data_dir` The directory where the data is stored. Defaults to the value returned by `spod_get_data_dir()` which returns the value of the environment variable `SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR` or a temporary directory if the variable is not set. To set the data directory, use spod_set_data_dir.

`quiet` A `logical` value indicating whether to suppress messages. Default is `FALSE`.

`ignore_missing_dates`
Logical. If `TRUE`, the function will not raise an error if the some of the specified dates are missing. Any dates that are missing will be skipped, however the data for any valid dates will be acquired. Defaults to `FALSE`.

`n_threads` Numeric. Number of threads to use for file verificaiton. Defaults to 1. When set to 2 or more threads, uses `future.mirai` as a backend for parallelization, resulting in significant (~4x) speedup, unless disk read speed is a bottleneck.

Value

A tibble similar to the output of `spod_available_data`, but with an extra column `local_file_consistent`, where `TRUE` indicates that the file cheksum matches the expected checksums in Amazon S3. Note: some v1 (2020-2021) files were not stored correctly on S3 and their ETag checksums are incorrectly reported by Amazon S3, so their true file sizes and ETag checksums were cached inside the `spanishoddata` package.

Examples

```
spod_set_data_dir(tempdir())
spod_download(
```

```
 type = "number_of_trips",
 zones = "distr",
 dates = "2020-03-14"
)

# now check the consistency
check_results <- spod_check_files(
  type = "number_of_trips",
  zones = "distr",
  dates = "2020-03-14"
)
all(check_results$local_file_consistent)
```

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spod_cite *Cite the package and the data*

Description

Cite the package and the data

Usage

```
spod_cite(what = "all", format = "all")
```

Arguments

what	Character vector specifying what to cite. Can include "package", "data", "methodology_v1", "methodology_v2", or "all". Default is "all".
format	Character vector specifying output format(s). Can include "text", "markdown", "bibtex", or "all". Default is "all".

Value

Nothing. Prints citation in plain text, markdown, BibTeX, or all formats at once to console.

Examples

```
# Cite everything in all formats
## Not run:
spod_cite()

## End(Not run)

# Cite just the package in BibTeX format
## Not run:
spod_cite(what = "package", format = "bibtex")
```

```
## End(Not run)

# Cite both methodologies in plain text
## Not run:
spod_cite(what = c("methodology_v1", "methodology_v2"), format = "text")

## End(Not run)
```

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spod_codebook *View codebooks for v1 and v2 open mobility data*

Description

[Stable]

Opens relevant vignette with a codebook for v1 (2020-2021) and v2 (2022 onwards) data or provide a webpage if vignette is missing.

Usage

```
spod_codebook(ver = 1)
```

Arguments

`ver`	An `integer` or `numeric` value. The version of the data. Defaults to 1. Can be 1 for v1 (2020-2021) data and 2 for v2 (2022 onwards) data.

Value

Nothing, opens vignette if it is installed. If vignette is missing, prints a message with a link to a webpage with the codebook.

Examples

```
# View codebook for v1 (2020-2021) data
spod_codebook(ver = 1)

# View codebook for v2 (2022 onwards) data
spod_codebook(ver = 2)
```

spod_connect *Connect to data converted to* DuckDB *or hive-style* parquet *files*

Description

[Stable]

This function allows the user to quickly connect to the data converted to DuckDB with the spod_convert function. This function simplifies the connection process. The user is free to use the DBI and DuckDB packages to connect to the data manually, or to use the arrow package to connect to the parquet files folder.

Usage

```
spod_connect(
  data_path,
  target_table_name = NULL,
  quiet = FALSE,
  max_mem_gb = NULL,
  max_n_cpu = max(1, parallelly::availableCores() - 1),
  temp_path = spod_get_temp_dir()
)
```

Arguments

data_path	a path to the DuckDB database file with '.duckdb' extension, or a path to the folder with parquet files. Eigher one should have been created with the spod_convert function.
target_table_name	Default is NULL. When connecting to a folder of parquet files, this argument is ignored. When connecting to a DuckDB database, a character vector of length 1 with the table name to open from the database file. If not specified, it will be guessed from the data_path argument and from table names that are available in the database. If you have not manually interfered with the database, this should be guessed automatically and you do not need to specify it.
quiet	A logical value indicating whether to suppress messages. Default is FALSE.
max_mem_gb	integer value of the maximum operating memory to use in GB. NULL by default, delegates the choice to the DuckDB engine which usually sets it to 80% of available memory. Caution, in HPC use, the amount of memory available to your job may be determined incorrectly by the DuckDB engine, so it is recommended to set this parameter explicitly according to your job's memory limits.
max_n_cpu	The maximum number of threads to use. Defaults to the number of available cores minus 1.
temp_path	The path to the temp folder for DuckDB for intermediate spilling in case the set memory limit and/or physical memory of the computer is too low to perform the query. By default this is set to the temp directory in the data folder defined by

SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR environment variable (set by spod_set_data_dir()). Otherwise, for queries on folders of CSV files or parquet files, the temporary path would be set to the current R working directory, which probably is undesirable, as the current working directory can be on a slow storage, or storage that may have limited space, compared to the data folder.

Value

a DuckDB table connection object.

Examples

```
# Set data dir for file downloads
spod_set_data_dir(tempdir())

# download and convert data
dates_1 <- c(start = "2020-02-17", end = "2020-02-18")
db_2 <- spod_convert(
 type = "number_of_trips",
 zones = "distr",
 dates = dates_1,
 overwrite = TRUE
)

# now connect to the converted data
my_od_data_2 <- spod_connect(db_2)

# disconnect from the database
spod_disconnect(my_od_data_2)
```

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spod_convert *Convert data from plain text to duckdb or parquet format*

Description

[Stable]

Converts data for faster analysis into either DuckDB file or into parquet files in a hive-style directory structure. Running analysis on these files is sometimes 100x times faster than working with raw CSV files, espetially when these are in gzip archives. To connect to converted data, please use 'mydata <- spod_connect(data_path = path_returned_by_spod_convert)' passing the path to where the data was saved. The connected mydata can be analysed using dplyr functions such as select, filter, mutate, group_by, summarise, etc. In the end of any sequence of commands you will need to add collect to execute the whole chain of data manipulations and load the results into memory in an R data.frame/tibble. For more in-depth usage of such data, please refer to DuckDB documentation and examples at https://duckdb.org/docs/api/

r#dbplyr . Some more useful examples can be found here https://arrow-user2022.netlify.app/data-wrangling#combining-arrow-with-duckdb . You may also use arrow package to work with parquet files https://arrow.apache.org/docs/r/.

For detailed data descriptions, see package vignettes using spod_codebook(ver = 1) and spod_codebook(ver = 2) and official methodology documents in **References** section.

Usage

```
spod_convert(
  type = c("od", "origin-destination", "os", "overnight_stays", "nt", "number_of_trips"),
  zones = c("districts", "dist", "distr", "distritos", "municipalities", "muni",
    "municip", "municipios"),
  dates = NULL,
  save_format = "duckdb",
  save_path = NULL,
  overwrite = FALSE,
  data_dir = spod_get_data_dir(),
  quiet = FALSE,
  max_mem_gb = NULL,
  max_n_cpu = max(1, parallelly::availableCores() - 1),
  max_download_size_gb = 1,
  ignore_missing_dates = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

type	The type of data to download. Can be "origin-destination" (or ust "od"), or "number_of_trips" (or just "nt") for v1 data. For v2 data "overnight_stays" (or just "os") is also available. More data types to be supported in the future. See codebooks for v1 and v2 data in vignettes with spod_codebook(1) and spod_codebook(2) (spod_codebook).
zones	The zones for which to download the data. Can be "districts" (or "dist", "distr", or the original Spanish "distritos") or "municipalities" (or "muni", "municip", or the original Spanish "municipios") for both data versions. Additionaly, these can be "large_urban_areas" (or "lua", or the original Spanish "grandes_areas_urbanas", or "gau") for v2 data (2022 onwards).
dates	A character or Date vector of dates to process. Kindly keep in mind that v1 and v2 data follow different data collection methodologies and may not be directly comparable. Therefore, do not try to request data from both versions for the same date range. If you need to compare data from both versions, please refer to the respective codebooks and methodology documents. The v1 data covers the period from 2020-02-14 to 2021-05-09, and the v2 data covers the period from 2022-01-01 to the present until further notice. The true dates range is checked against the available data for each version on every function run. The possible values can be any of the following: • For the spod_get() and spod_convert() functions, the dates can be set to "cached_v1" or "cached_v2" to request data from cached (already previously downloaded) v1 (2020-2021) or v2 (2022 onwards) data. In this case,

the function will identify and use all data files that have been downloaded and cached locally, (e.g. using an explicit run of `spod_download()`, or any data requests made using the `spod_get()` or `spod_convert()` functions).

- A single date in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. `character` or `Date` object.
- A vector of dates in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. `character` or `Date` object. Can be any non-consecutive sequence of dates.
- A date range
  - eigher a `character` or `Date` object of length 2 with clearly named elements `start` and `end` in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. E.g. `c(start = "2020-02-15", end = "2020-02-17")`;
  - or a `character` object of the form `YYYY-MM-DD_YYYY-MM-DD` or `YYYYMMDD_YYYYMMDD`. For example, `2020-02-15_2020-02-17` or `20200215_20200217`.
- A regular expression to match dates in the format `YYYYMMDD`. `character` object. For example, `^202002` will match all dates in February 2020.

`save_format` A `character` vector of length 1 with values "duckdb" or "parquet". Defaults to "duckdb". If `NULL` automatically inferred from the `save_path` argument. If only `save_format` is provided, `save_path` will be set to the default location set in `SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR` environment variable using spod_set_data_dir(path = 'path/to/your/cache/dir'). So for v1 data that path would be <data_dir>/clean_data/v1/tabular or <data_dir>/clean_data/v1/tabular/parquet/.

You can also set `save_path`. If it ends with ".duckdb", will save to `DuckDB` database format, if `save_path` does not end with ".duckdb", will save to `parquet` format and will treat the `save_path` as a path to a folder, not a file, will create necessary hive-style subdirectories in that folder. Hive style looks like `year=2020/month=2/day=14` and inside each such directory there will be a `data_0.parquet` file that contains the data for that day.

`save_path` A `character` vector of length 1. The full (not relative) path to a `DuckDB` database file or `parquet` folder.

- If `save_path` ends with `.duckdb`, it will be saved as a DuckDB database file. The format argument will be automatically set to `save_format='duckdb'`.
- If `save_path` ends with a folder name (e.g. `/data_dir/clean_data/v1/tabular/parquet/od_dis` for origin-destination data for district level), the data will be saved as a collection of `parquet` files in a hive-style directory structure. So the subfolders of `od_distr` will be `year=2020/month=2/day=14` and inside each of these folders a single `parquet` file will be placed containing the data for that day.
- If `NULL`, uses the default location in `data_dir` (set by the `SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR` environment variable using spod_set_data_dir(path = 'path/to/your/cache/dir'). Therefore, the default relative path for `DuckDB` is <data_dir>/clean_data/v1/tabular/duckdb/<t and for `parquet` files is <data_dir>/clean_data/v1/tabular/parquet/<type>_<zones>/, where `type` is the type of data (e.g. 'od', 'os', 'nt', that correspoind to 'origin-destination', 'overnight-stays', 'number-of-trips', etc.) and `zones` is the name of the geographic zones (e.g. 'distr', 'muni', etc.). See the details below in the function arguments description.

`overwrite` A `logical` or a `character` vector of length 1. If `TRUE`, overwrites existing `DuckDB` or `parquet` files. Defaults to `FALSE`. For parquet files can also be set to

'update', so that only parquet files are only created for the dates that have not yet been converted.

`data_dir` The directory where the data is stored. Defaults to the value returned by `spod_get_data_dir()` which returns the value of the environment variable `SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR` or a temporary directory if the variable is not set. To set the data directory, use spod_set_data_dir.

`quiet` A `logical` value indicating whether to suppress messages. Default is `FALSE`.

`max_mem_gb` `integer` value of the maximum operating memory to use in GB. `NULL` by default, delegates the choice to the `DuckDB` engine which usually sets it to 80% of available memory. Caution, in HPC use, the amount of memory available to your job may be determined incorrectly by the `DuckDB` engine, so it is recommended to set this parameter explicitly according to your job's memory limits.

`max_n_cpu` The maximum number of threads to use. Defaults to the number of available cores minus 1.

`max_download_size_gb` The maximum download size in gigabytes. Defaults to 1.

`ignore_missing_dates` Logical. If `TRUE`, the function will not raise an error if the some of the specified dates are missing. Any dates that are missing will be skipped, however the data for any valid dates will be acquired. Defaults to `FALSE`.

Value

Path to saved `DuckDB` database file or to a folder with `parquet` files in hive-style directory structure.

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Examples

```
# Set data dir for file downloads
spod_set_data_dir(tempdir())

# download and convert data
dates_1 <- c(start = "2020-02-17", end = "2020-02-18")
db_2 <- spod_convert(
  type = "number_of_trips",
  zones = "distr",
  dates = dates_1,
  overwrite = TRUE
)

# now connect to the converted data
my_od_data_2 <- spod_connect(db_2)

# disconnect from the database
spod_disconnect(my_od_data_2)
```

`spod_disconnect` *Safely disconnect from data and free memory*

Description

[Stable]

This function is to ensure that DuckDB connections to CSV.gz files (created via `spod_get()`), as well as to DuckDB files or folders of `parquet` files (created via `spod_convert()`) are closed properly to prevent conflicting connections. Essentially this is just a wrapper around `DBI::dbDisconnect()` that reaches out into the `.$src$con` object of the `tbl_duckdb_connection` connection object that is returned to the user via `spod_get()` and `spod_connect()`. After disonnecting the database, it also frees up memory by running `gc()`.

Usage

```
spod_disconnect(tbl_con, free_mem = TRUE)
```

Arguments

`tbl_con`	A `tbl_duckdb_connection` connection object that you get from either `spod_get()` or `spod_connect()`.
`free_mem`	A `logical`. Whether to free up memory by running `gc()`. Defaults to `TRUE`.

Value

No return value, called for side effect of disconnecting from the database and freeing up memory.

Examples

```
# Set data dir for file downloads
spod_set_data_dir(tempdir())

# basic example
# create a connection to the v1 data without converting
# this creates a duckdb database connection to CSV files
od_distr <- spod_get(
 "od",
 zones = "distr",
 dates = c("2020-03-01", "2020-03-02")
)
# disconnect from the database connection
spod_disconnect(od_distr)

# Advanced example
# download and convert data
dates_1 <- c(start = "2020-02-17", end = "2020-02-19")
db_2 <- spod_convert(
 type = "od",
 zones = "distr",
 dates = dates_1,
 overwrite = TRUE
)

# now connect to the converted data
my_od_data_2 <- spod_connect(db_2)

# disconnect from the database
spod_disconnect(my_od_data_2)
```

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spod_download *Download the data files of specified type, zones, and dates*

Description

[Stable]

This function downloads the data files of the specified type, zones, dates and data version.

For detailed data descriptions, see package vignettes using `spod_codebook(ver = 1)` and `spod_codebook(ver = 2)` and official methodology documents in **References** section.

Usage

```
spod_download(
  type = c("od", "origin-destination", "os", "overnight_stays", "nt", "number_of_trips"),
```

```
  zones = c("districts", "dist", "distr", "distritos", "municipalities", "muni",
   "municip", "municipios", "lua", "large_urban_areas", "gau", "grandes_areas_urbanas"),
  dates = NULL,
  max_download_size_gb = 1,
  data_dir = spod_get_data_dir(),
  quiet = FALSE,
  return_local_file_paths = FALSE,
  ignore_missing_dates = FALSE,
  check_local_files = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

type	The type of data to download. Can be "origin-destination" (or ust "od"), or "number_of_trips" (or just "nt") for v1 data. For v2 data "overnight_stays" (or just "os") is also available. More data types to be supported in the future. See codebooks for v1 and v2 data in vignettes with spod_codebook(1) and spod_codebook(2) (spod_codebook).
zones	The zones for which to download the data. Can be "districts" (or "dist", "distr", or the original Spanish "distritos") or "municipalities" (or "muni", "municip", or the original Spanish "municipios") for both data versions. Additionaly, these can be "large_urban_areas" (or "lua", or the original Spanish "grandes_areas_urbanas", or "gau") for v2 data (2022 onwards).
dates	A character or Date vector of dates to process. Kindly keep in mind that v1 and v2 data follow different data collection methodologies and may not be directly comparable. Therefore, do not try to request data from both versions for the same date range. If you need to compare data from both versions, please refer to the respective codebooks and methodology documents. The v1 data covers the period from 2020-02-14 to 2021-05-09, and the v2 data covers the period from 2022-01-01 to the present until further notice. The true dates range is checked against the available data for each version on every function run. The possible values can be any of the following: • For the spod_get() and spod_convert() functions, the dates can be set to "cached_v1" or "cached_v2" to request data from cached (already previously downloaded) v1 (2020-2021) or v2 (2022 onwards) data. In this case, the function will identify and use all data files that have been downloaded and cached locally, (e.g. using an explicit run of spod_download(), or any data requests made using the spod_get() or spod_convert() functions). • A single date in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. character or Date object. • A vector of dates in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. character or Date object. Can be any non-consecutive sequence of dates. • A date range – eigher a character or Date object of length 2 with clearly named elements start and end in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. E.g. c(start = "2020-02-15", end = "2020-02-17");

  - or a `character` object of the form `YYYY-MM-DD_YYYY-MM-DD` or `YYYYMMDD_YYYYMMDD`. For example, `2020-02-15_2020-02-17` or `20200215_20200217`.
- A regular expression to match dates in the format `YYYYMMDD`. `character` object. For example, `^202002` will match all dates in February 2020.

`max_download_size_gb`
: The maximum download size in gigabytes. Defaults to 1.

`data_dir`
: The directory where the data is stored. Defaults to the value returned by `spod_get_data_dir()` which returns the value of the environment variable `SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR` or a temporary directory if the variable is not set. To set the data directory, use spod_set_data_dir.

`quiet`
: A `logical` value indicating whether to suppress messages. Default is `FALSE`.

`return_local_file_paths`
: Logical. If `TRUE`, the function returns a character vector of the paths to the downloaded files. If `FALSE`, the function returns `NULL`.

`ignore_missing_dates`
: Logical. If `TRUE`, the function will not raise an error if the some of the specified dates are missing. Any dates that are missing will be skipped, however the data for any valid dates will be acquired. Defaults to `FALSE`.

`check_local_files`
: Logical. Whether to check the file size of local files against known remote file sizes on the Amazon S3 storage. Defaults to `TRUE`, which fetches the metadata from Amazon S3. This setting ensures your downloaded files are not broken, so it is recommended to keep it `TRUE`.

Details

Download the data files of specified type, zones, and dates

Value

Nothing. If `return_local_file_paths = TRUE`, a `character` vector of the paths to the downloaded files.

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Examples

```
# Set data dir for file downloads
spod_set_data_dir(tempdir())

# Download the number of trips on district level for the a date range in March 2020
spod_download(
  type = "number_of_trips", zones = "districts",
  dates = c(start = "2020-03-20", end = "2020-03-21")
)

# Download the number of trips on district level for select dates in 2020 and 2021
spod_download(
  type = "number_of_trips", zones = "dist",
  dates = c("2020-03-20", "2020-03-24", "2021-03-20", "2021-03-24")
)

# Download the number of trips on municipality level using regex for a date range in March 2020
# (the regex will capture the dates 2020-03-20 to 2020-03-24)
spod_download(
  type = "number_of_trips", zones = "municip",
  dates = "2020032[0-4]"
)
```

`spod_get` *Get tabular mobility data*

Description

[Stable]

This function creates a DuckDB lazy table connection object from the specified type and zones. It checks for missing data and downloads it if necessary. The connnection is made to the raw CSV

files in gzip archives, so analysing the data through this connection may be slow if you select more than a few days. You can manipulate this object using `dplyr` functions such as `select`, `filter`, `mutate`, `group_by`, `summarise`, etc. In the end of any sequence of commands you will need to add `collect` to execute the whole chain of data manipulations and load the results into memory in an R `data.frame`/`tibble`. See codebooks for v1 and v2 data in vignettes with `spod_codebook(1)` and `spod_codebook(2)`.

If you want to analyse longer periods of time (especiially several months or even the whole data over several years), consider using the `spod_convert` and then `spod_connect`.

If you want to quickly get the origin-destination data with flows aggregated for a single day at municipal level and without any extra socio-economic variables, consider using the `spod_quick_get_od` function.

For detailed data descriptions, see package vignettes using `spod_codebook(ver = 1)` and `spod_codebook(ver = 2)` and official methodology documents in **References** section.

Usage

```
spod_get(
  type = c("od", "origin-destination", "os", "overnight_stays", "nt", "number_of_trips"),
  zones = c("districts", "dist", "distr", "distritos", "municipalities", "muni",
   "municip", "municipios", "lua", "large_urban_areas", "gau", "grandes_areas_urbanas"),
  dates = NULL,
  data_dir = spod_get_data_dir(),
  quiet = FALSE,
  max_mem_gb = NULL,
  max_n_cpu = max(1, parallelly::availableCores() - 1),
  max_download_size_gb = 1,
  duckdb_target = ":memory:",
  temp_path = spod_get_temp_dir(),
  ignore_missing_dates = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

`type`	The type of data to download. Can be `"origin-destination"` (or ust `"od"`), or `"number_of_trips"` (or just `"nt"`) for v1 data. For v2 data `"overnight_stays"` (or just `"os"`) is also available. More data types to be supported in the future. See codebooks for v1 and v2 data in vignettes with `spod_codebook(1)` and `spod_codebook(2)` (spod_codebook).
`zones`	The zones for which to download the data. Can be `"districts"` (or `"dist"`, `"distr"`, or the original Spanish `"distritos"`) or `"municipalities"` (or `"muni"`, `"municip"`, or the original Spanish `"municipios"`) for both data versions. Additionaly, these can be `"large_urban_areas"` (or `"lua"`, or the original Spanish `"grandes_areas_urbanas"`, or `"gau"`) for v2 data (2022 onwards).
`dates`	A `character` or `Date` vector of dates to process. Kindly keep in mind that v1 and v2 data follow different data collection methodologies and may not be directly comparable. Therefore, do not try to request data from both versions for the same date range. If you need to compare data from both versions, please

refer to the respective codebooks and methodology documents. The v1 data covers the period from 2020-02-14 to 2021-05-09, and the v2 data covers the period from 2022-01-01 to the present until further notice. The true dates range is checked against the available data for each version on every function run.

The possible values can be any of the following:

- For the `spod_get()` and `spod_convert()` functions, the `dates` can be set to "cached_v1" or "cached_v2" to request data from cached (already previously downloaded) v1 (2020-2021) or v2 (2022 onwards) data. In this case, the function will identify and use all data files that have been downloaded and cached locally, (e.g. using an explicit run of `spod_download()`, or any data requests made using the `spod_get()` or `spod_convert()` functions).
- A single date in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. `character` or `Date` object.
- A vector of dates in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. `character` or `Date` object. Can be any non-consecutive sequence of dates.
- A date range
  - eigher a `character` or `Date` object of length 2 with clearly named elements `start` and `end` in ISO (YYYY-MM-DD) or YYYYMMDD format. E.g. `c(start = "2020-02-15", end = "2020-02-17")`;
  - or a `character` object of the form `YYYY-MM-DD_YYYY-MM-DD` or `YYYYMMDD_YYYYMMDD`. For example, `2020-02-15_2020-02-17` or `20200215_20200217`.
- A regular expression to match dates in the format `YYYYMMDD`. `character` object. For example, `^202002` will match all dates in February 2020.

`data_dir` The directory where the data is stored. Defaults to the value returned by `spod_get_data_dir()` which returns the value of the environment variable `SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR` or a temporary directory if the variable is not set. To set the data directory, use spod_set_data_dir.

`quiet` A `logical` value indicating whether to suppress messages. Default is `FALSE`.

`max_mem_gb` `integer` value of the maximum operating memory to use in GB. `NULL` by default, delegates the choice to the `DuckDB` engine which usually sets it to 80% of available memory. Caution, in HPC use, the amount of memory available to your job may be determined incorrectly by the `DuckDB` engine, so it is recommended to set this parameter explicitly according to your job's memory limits.

`max_n_cpu` The maximum number of threads to use. Defaults to the number of available cores minus 1.

`max_download_size_gb`
The maximum download size in gigabytes. Defaults to 1.

`duckdb_target` (Optional) The path to the duckdb file to save the data to, if a convertation from CSV is reuqested by the `spod_convert` function. If not specified, it will be set to ":memory:" and the data will be stored in memory.

`temp_path` The path to the temp folder for DuckDB for intermediate spilling in case the set memory limit and/or physical memory of the computer is too low to perform the query. By default this is set to the `temp` directory in the data folder defined by SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR environment variable (set by `spod_set_data_dir()`). Otherwise, for queries on folders of CSV files or parquet files, the temporary

path would be set to the current R working directory, which probably is undesirable, as the current working directory can be on a slow storage, or storage that may have limited space, compared to the data folder.

`ignore_missing_dates`
: Logical. If `TRUE`, the function will not raise an error if the some of the specified dates are missing. Any dates that are missing will be skipped, however the data for any valid dates will be acquired. Defaults to `FALSE`.

Value

A DuckDB lazy table connection object of class `tbl_duckdb_connection`.

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Examples

```
# create a connection to the v1 data
spod_set_data_dir(tempdir())
dates <- c("2020-02-14", "2020-03-14", "2021-02-14", "2021-02-14", "2021-02-15")
nt_dist <- spod_get(type = "number_of_trips", zones = "distr", dates = dates)

# nt_dist is a table view filtered to the specified dates

# for advanced users only
# access the source connection with all dates
```

```
# list tables
DBI::dbListTables(nt_dist$src$con)

# disconnect
spod_disconnect(nt_dist)
```

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spod_get_data_dir *Get the data directory*

Description

[Stable]

This function retrieves the data directory from the environment variable SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR (and previously set by spod_set_data_dir()). If the environment variable is not set, it returns the temporary directory.

Usage

```
spod_get_data_dir(quiet = FALSE)
```

Arguments

quiet	A logical value indicating whether to suppress messages. Default is FALSE.

Value

A character vector of length 1 containing the path to the data directory where the package will download and convert the data.

Examples

```
spod_set_data_dir(tempdir())
spod_get_data_dir()
```

spod_get_valid_dates *Get valid dates for the specified data version*

Description

[Stable]

Get all metadata for requested data version and identify all dates available for download.

Usage

```
spod_get_valid_dates(ver = NULL)
```

Arguments

ver	Integer. Can be 1 or 2. The version of the data to use. v1 spans 2020-2021, v2 covers 2022 and onwards. See more details in codebooks with spod_codebook().

Value

A vector of type Date with all possible valid dates for the specified data version (v1 for 2020-2021 and v2 for 2020 onwards).

Examples

```
# Get all valid dates for v1 (2020-2021) data
spod_get_valid_dates(ver = 1)

# Get all valid dates for v2 (2020 onwards) data
spod_get_valid_dates(ver = 2)
```

spod_get_zones *Get zones*

Description

[Stable]

Get spatial zones for the specified data version. Supports both v1 (2020-2021) and v2 (2022 onwards) data.

For detailed data descriptions, see package vignettes using spod_codebook(ver = 1) and spod_codebook(ver = 2) and official methodology documents in **References** section.

Usage

```
spod_get_zones(
  zones = c("districts", "dist", "distr", "distritos", "municipalities", "muni",
   "municip", "municipios", "lua", "large_urban_areas", "gau", "grandes_areas_urbanas"),
  ver = NULL,
  data_dir = spod_get_data_dir(),
  quiet = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

zones	The zones for which to download the data. Can be "districts" (or "dist", "distr", or the original Spanish "distritos") or "municipalities" (or "muni", "municip", or the original Spanish "municipios") for both data versions. Additionaly, these can be "large_urban_areas" (or "lua", or the original Spanish "grandes_areas_urbanas", or "gau") for v2 data (2022 onwards).
ver	Integer. Can be 1 or 2. The version of the data to use. v1 spans 2020-2021, v2 covers 2022 and onwards. See more details in codebooks with spod_codebook().
data_dir	The directory where the data is stored. Defaults to the value returned by spod_get_data_dir() which returns the value of the environment variable SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR or a temporary directory if the variable is not set. To set the data directory, use spod_set_data_dir.
quiet	A logical value indicating whether to suppress messages. Default is FALSE.

Value

An sf object (Simple Feature collection).

The columns for v1 (2020-2021) data include:

id A character vector containing the unique identifier for each district, assigned by the data provider. This id matches the id_origin, id_destination, and id in district-level origin-destination and number of trips data.

census_districts A string with semicolon-separated identifiers of census districts classified by the Spanish Statistical Office (INE) that are spatially bound within the polygons for each id.

municipalities_mitma A string with semicolon-separated municipality identifiers (as assigned by the data provider) corresponding to each district id.

municipalities A string with semicolon-separated municipality identifiers classified by the Spanish Statistical Office (INE) corresponding to each id.

district_names_in_v2/municipality_names_in_v2 A string with semicolon-separated district names (from the v2 version of this data) corresponding to each district id in v1.

district_ids_in_v2/municipality_ids_in_v2 A string with semicolon-separated district identifiers (from the v2 version of this data) corresponding to each district id in v1.

geometry A MULTIPOLYGON column containing the spatial geometry of each district, stored as an sf object. The geometry is projected in the ETRS89 / UTM zone 30N coordinate reference system (CRS), with XY dimensions.

The columns for v2 (2022 onwards) data include:

id A character vector containing the unique identifier for each zone, assigned by the data provider.

name A character vector with the name of each district.

population A numeric vector representing the population of each district (as of 2022).

census_sections A string with semicolon-separated identifiers of census sections corresponding to each district.

census_districts A string with semicolon-separated identifiers of census districts as classified by the Spanish Statistical Office (INE) corresponding to each district.

municipalities A string with semicolon-separated identifiers of municipalities classified by the Spanish Statistical Office (INE) corresponding to each district.

municipalities_mitma A string with semicolon-separated identifiers of municipalities, as assigned by the data provider, that correspond to each district.

luas_mitma A string with semicolon-separated identifiers of LUAs (Local Urban Areas) from the provider, associated with each district.

district_ids_in_v1/municipality_ids_in_v1 A string with semicolon-separated district identifiers from v1 data corresponding to each district in v2. If no match exists, it is marked as `NA`.

geometry A `MULTIPOLYGON` column containing the spatial geometry of each district, stored as an sf object. The geometry is projected in the ETRS89 / UTM zone 30N coordinate reference system (CRS), with XY dimensions.

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Examples

```
# get polygons for municipalities for the v2 data
municip_v2 <- spod_get_zones(zones = "municipalities", ver = 2)

# get polygons for the districts for the v1 data
distr_v1 <- spod_get_zones(zones = "districts", ver = 1)
```

`spod_quick_get_od` *Get daily trip counts per origin-destionation municipality from 2022 onward*

Description

[Experimental]

WARNING: this function may stop working at any time, as the API may change. This function provides a quick way to get daily aggregated (no hourly data) trip counts per origin-destination municipality from v2 data (2022 onward). Compared to `spod_get()`, which downloads large CSV files, this function downloads the data directly from the GraphQL API. An interactive web map with this data is available at https://mapas-movilidad.transportes.gob.es/. No data aggregation is performed on your computer (unlike in `spod_get()`), so you do not need to worry about memory usage and do not have to use a powerful computer with multiple CPU cores just to get this simple data. Only about 1 MB of data is downloaded for a single day. The limitation of this function is that it can only retrieve data for a single day at a time and only with total number of trips and total km travelled. So it is not possible to get any of the extra variables available in the full dataset via `spod_get()`.

For detailed data descriptions, see package vignettes using `spod_codebook(ver = 1)` and `spod_codebook(ver = 2)` and official methodology documents in **References** section.

Usage

```
spod_quick_get_od(
  date = NA,
  min_trips = 100,
  distances = c("500m-2km", "2-10km", "10-50km", "50+km"),
  id_origin = NA,
  id_destination = NA
)
```

Arguments

`date`	A character or Date object specifying the date for which to retrieve the data. If date is a character, the date must be in "YYYY-MM-DD" or "YYYYMMDD" format.

`min_trips` A numeric value specifying the minimum number of journeys per origin-destination pair to retrieve. Defaults to 100 to reduce the amount of data returned. Can be set to 0 to retrieve all data.

`distances` A character vector specifying the distances to retrieve. Valid values are "500m-2km", "2-10km", "10-50km", and "50+km". Defaults to `c("500m-2km", "2-10km", "10-50km", "50+km")`. The resulting data will not have number of trips per category of distance. Therefore, if you want to retrieve the number of trips per distance category, you need to make 4 separate calls to this function or use `spod_get()` instead to get the full data from source CSV files.

`id_origin` A character vector specifying the origin municipalities to retrieve. If not provided, all origin municipalities will be included. Valid municipality IDs can be found in the dataset returned by `spod_get_zones(zones = "muni", ver = 2)`.

`id_destination` A character vector specifying the target municipalities to retrieve. If not provided, all target municipalities will be included. Valid municipality IDs can be found in the dataset returned by `spod_get_zones(zones = "muni", ver = 2)`.

Value

A `tibble` containing the flows for the specified date, minimum number of journeys, distances and origin-destination pairs if specified. The columns are:

date The date of the trips.

id_origin The origin municipality ID.

id_destination The target municipality ID.

n_trips The number of trips between the origin and target municipality.

trips_total_length_km The total length of trips in kilometers.

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Examples

```
od_1000 <- spod_quick_get_od(
  date = "2022-01-01",
  min_trips = 1000
)
```

`spod_quick_get_zones` *Get the municipalities geometries*

Description

[Experimental]

This function fetches the municipalities (for now this is the only option) geometries from the mapas-movilidad website and returns a `sf` object with the municipalities geometries. This is intended for use with the flows data retrieved by the `spod_quick_get_od()` function. An interactive web map with this data is available at https://mapas-movilidad.transportes.gob.es/. These municipality geometries only include Spanish municipalities (and not the NUTS3 regions in Portugal and France) and do not contain extra columns that you can get with the `spod_get_zones()` function. The function caches the retrieved geometries in memory of the current R session to reduce the number of requests to the mapas-movilidad website.

For detailed zone definitions and methodology, see Ministerio de Transportes, Movilidad y Agenda Urbana (MITMA) (2021). *Análisis de la movilidad en España con tecnología Big Data durante el estado de alarma para la gestión de la crisis del COVID-19 (Analysis of mobility in Spain with Big Data technology during the state of alarm for COVID-19 crisis management)*. https://cdn.mitma.gob.es/portal-web-drupal/covid-19/bigdata/mitma_-_estudio_movilidad_covid-19_informe_metodologico_v3.pdf. for v1 data and Ministerio de Transportes y Movilidad Sostenible (MITMS) (2024). *Estudio de movilidad de viajeros de ámbito nacional aplicando la tecnología Big Data. Informe metodológico (Study of National Traveler mobility Using Big Data Technology. Methodological Report)*. https://www.transportes.gob.es/recursos_mfom/paginabasica/recursos/a3_informe_metodologico_estudio_movilidad_mitms_v8.pdf. for v2 data.

Usage

```
spod_quick_get_zones(zones = "municipalities")
```

Arguments

`zones`	A character string specifying the zones to retrieve. Valid values are "municipalities", "muni", "municip", and "municipios". Defaults to "municipalities".

Value

A `sf` object with the municipalities geometries to match with the data retrieved with `spod_quick_get_od()`.

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Examples

```
municipalities_sf <- spod_quick_get_zones()
```

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spod_set_data_dir *Set the data directory*

Description

[Stable]

This function sets the data directory in the environment variable SPANISH_OD_DATA_DIR, so that all other functions in the package can access the data. It also creates the directory if it doesn't exist.

Usage

```
spod_set_data_dir(data_dir, quiet = FALSE)
```

Arguments

`data_dir`	The data directory to set.
`quiet`	A `logical` value indicating whether to suppress messages. Default is `FALSE`.

Value

Nothing. If quiet is `FALSE`, prints a message with the path and confirmation that the path exists.

Examples

```
spod_set_data_dir(tempdir())
```

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