

duma.gov.ru_ru_2024

Corpus based on the Russia's Duma website (in Russian, 2006-2023)

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Scope of this corpus

This corpus is based on all contents published in the “news” section of the website duma.gov.ru as it was available online in early 2024.

Summary statistics

Dataset name: `duma.gov.ru_ru_2024`

Dataset description: all news items published on duma.gov.ru

Start date: 2006-04-05

End date: 2023-12-30

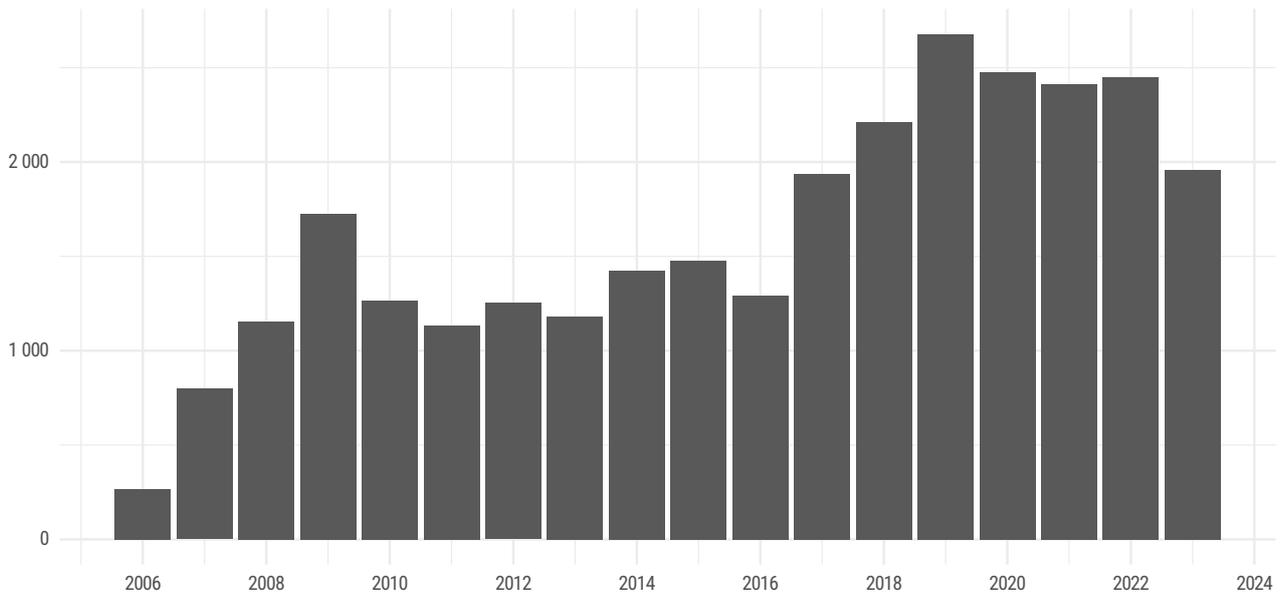
Total items: 29 094

Available columns: `doc_id`; `text`; `title`; `date`; `datetime`; `lead`; `section`; `internal_id`; `url`

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Number of items per year published on duma.gov.ru

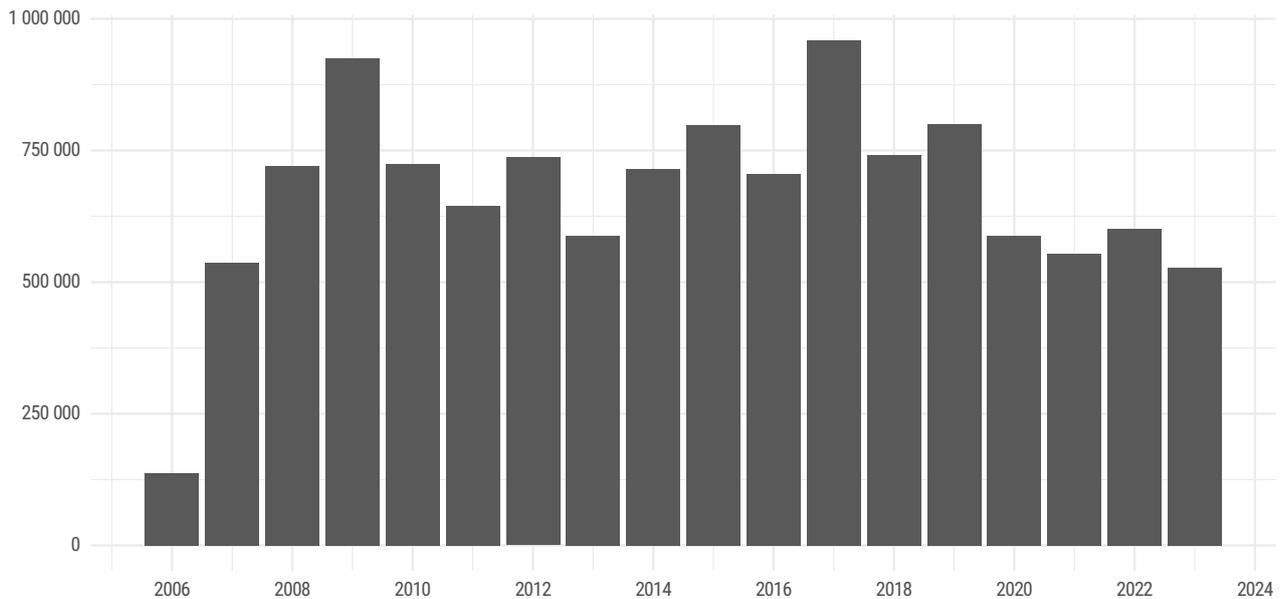
Based on 29 094 items published between 5 April 2006 and 30 December 2023



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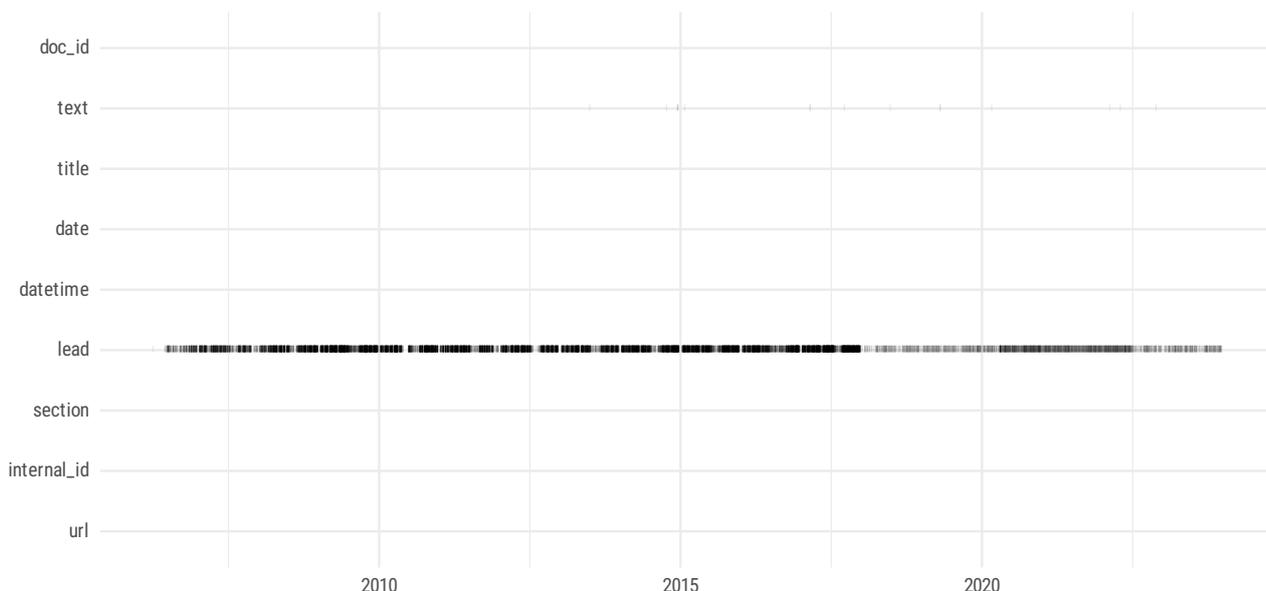
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Missing metadata on duma.gov.ru

A thin line represents an empty field



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Narrative explanation of how this corpus has been created

This corpus has been built based on index pages of the “news” section of the website, parsing older posts as they would appear when clicking on the “Загрузить предыдущие материалы” button.

Text and metadata have been extracted from the resulting pages, relying on the well structured format of the news pages, presenting each element in a dedicated element:

- the title is always included in a `<h1>` element of class `article__title`
- the date and datetime are retrieved from `time` container, `datetime` attribute, `datePublished` item proposition
- the lead is included (when available) in a `<div>` element of class `article__lead`
- the section is included in a `<a>` element of class `article__caption`
- the main text is always included in a `<div>` element of class `article__content`

Data cleaning

All items published on the website include a date of publication. The `lead` is quite often missing, as appears from the summary information above. There are, in total, 16 items with an empty text field; 9 of them have also an empty `lead` field. This is not due to data retrieval issues, but rather, to the original contents themselves, which often expect the title - perhaps accompanied by a picture - to be self-explanatory. See an example.

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