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Description Search and import data directly to R from the Spanish Sociological Research Center (CIS) <<https://www.cis.es/inicio>>. The CIS is a public institution that conducts electoral and sociological research studies on the Spanish society. The CIS has a large database of surveys that can be accessed through its website. The package includes functions to search for surveys, survey questions and timeseries, and import the data directly to R.

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browse_pdf	<i>Open the questionnaire PDF of a CIS study</i>
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Description

Opens a PDF document from a CIS study in the default browser.

Usage

```
browse_pdf(study_code, wanted_file = "cues")
```

Arguments

study_code	A string with the study code.
wanted_file	A keyword used to match the PDF filename inside the ZIP. Use "cues" (default) for the questionnaire or "ft" for the technical sheet.

Details

CIS study ZIP files typically contain two PDF documents:

- The **questionnaire** (cuestionario): use wanted_file = "cues".
- The **technical sheet** (ficha técnica): use wanted_file = "ft".

Value

Called for its side effect of opening the PDF in the browser. Returns NULL invisibly.

Examples

```
if (interactive()) {  
  # Open the questionnaire (cuestionario) for study 3328  
  browse_pdf("3328")  
  
  # Open the technical sheet (ficha técnica) for study 3328  
  browse_pdf("3328", wanted_file = "ft")  
}
```

clear_cache	<i>Clear the opencis session cache</i>
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Description

Clears the in-memory cache used by [search_cis](#) and [read_cis](#). Call this when you want to force fresh data to be retrieved from the CIS server within the same R session.

Usage

```
clear_cache()
```

Value

NULL invisibly.

download_study	<i>Download a CIS study ZIP file to disk</i>
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Description

Downloads the data ZIP file for a CIS study to a specified directory, instead of a temporary folder. Useful for projects that need to keep the raw data files.

Usage

```
download_study(study_code, destdir = ".")
```

Arguments

study_code	A string with the study code.
destdir	A string with the directory where the ZIP file will be saved. Defaults to the current working directory.

Value

The path to the saved ZIP file, invisibly.

Examples

```
# Save the ZIP file to a temporary directory
path <- download_study("3328", destdir = tempdir())
cat("Saved to:", path, "\n")
```

get_data_dictionary *Extract a data dictionary from a CIS study data frame*

Description

Returns a tibble listing each variable in the data along with its variable label and value labels, as loaded by haven.

Usage

```
get_data_dictionary(data)
```

Arguments

data A data.frame loaded from a CIS .sav file, typically the output of [read_cis](#).

Value

A tibble with columns:

variable Variable name.

label Variable label, or NA if none.

value_labels A named numeric vector of value labels, or NULL for unlabelled variables (list-column).

Examples

```
# Create a small labelled data frame
df <- data.frame(
  SEXO = haven::labelled(c(1, 2, 1), labels = c(Hombre = 1, Mujer = 2)),
  EDAD = c(34, 51, 29)
)
attr(df$SEXO, "label") <- "Sexo"
attr(df$EDAD, "label") <- "Edad"

# Inspect its variable dictionary
dict <- get_data_dictionary(df)
print(dict)

# Find variables with a specific keyword in their label
dict[grepl("sexo", dict$label, ignore.case = TRUE), ]

# Inspect value labels for a specific variable
```

```
sex_var <- match("SEX0", dict$variable)
if (!is.na(sex_var)) {
  dict$value_labels[[sex_var]]
}
```

get_metadata

Get metadata of a CIS study

Description

Retrieves the technical metadata of a CIS study from its detail page, including study dates, type, country, author, and thematic indices.

Usage

```
get_metadata(study_code)
```

Arguments

study_code A string with the study code.

Value

A tibble with two columns: field and value.

Examples

```
# Get metadata for study 3328
meta <- get_metadata("3328")
print(meta)

# Access a specific field
meta$value[meta$field == "Tipo de estudio"]
```

read_cis

Import a CIS study

Description

Download and import the data of a CIS study.

Usage

```
read_cis(study_code)
```

Arguments

study_code A string with the study code.

Value

A data.frame with the study data.

Examples

```
# If you know the study code you can just read it into R
df <- read_cis("3328")
print(df)

# If you dont know the study code, you can search for a study using search_cis() function:
studies <- search_cis(q = "gastronomia")
print(studies)

df <- read_cis(studies$study[1])
print(df)
```

search_all_cis *Search all CIS results with automatic pagination*

Description

Calls [search_cis](#) repeatedly, incrementing the page index until no more results are returned, and returns all results in a single tibble.

Usage

```
search_all_cis(
  q = "",
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
  sort = "relevance",
  catalogo = "estudio",
  ...
)
```

Arguments

q String. The search query. Default is an empty string.

from Date or NULL. The start date for filtering results. Default is NULL. The date format must be "YYYY-MM-DD".

to Date or NULL. The end date for filtering results. Default is NULL. The date format must be "YYYY-MM-DD".

sort	String. The sorting order for the results ("publishDate-", "publishDate+", "relevance"). Default is "relevance".
catalogo	String. The catalog type ("estudio", "pregunta", "serie"). Default is "estudio".
...	Additional parameters passed to search_cis .

Value

A tibble with all search results across all pages.

Examples

```
# Retrieve all postelectoral studies (all pages)
all_studies <- search_all_cis(q = "postelectoral")
print(nrow(all_studies))

# Filter by date range
studies_2010_2020 <- search_all_cis(
  q = "ideologia",
  from = "2010-01-01",
  to = "2020-12-31"
)
print(studies_2010_2020)
```

search_cis	<i>Search for CIS studies.</i>
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Description

Searches for CIS studies using the CIS search engine.

Usage

```
search_cis(
  start = 1,
  q = "",
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
  sort = "relevance",
  catalogo = "estudio",
  ...
)
```


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