

Package ‘owidR’

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Title Import Data from Our World in Data

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Description Import data from 'Our World in Data', an organisation which publishes research and data on global economic and social issues.

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<<https://ourworldindata.org/>>,
<<https://github.com/owid/covid-19-data/>>

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owid	<i>Get data from Our World in Data</i>
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Description

Get a dataset used in an OWID chart.

Usage

```
owid(chart_id = NULL, rename = NULL, tidy.date = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

chart_id	The chart_id as returned by owid_search
rename	Rename the value column. Currently only works if there is just one value column.
tidy.date	If TRUE then a year column that should be a date column will automatically be detected and transformed. If FALSE then the Year column will be kept as is. Defaults to TRUE.
...	Not to be used.

Value

A data.table of an owid dataset with the added class 'owid'.

Examples

```
owid_search("emissions")
emissions <- owid("per-capita-ghg-emissions")
```

owid_covid	<i>Get the Our World in Data covid-19 dataset</i>
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Description

Get the Our World in Data covid-19 dataset

Usage

```
owid_covid()
```

Value

A dataframe with multiple variables on the covid-19 pandemic.

owid_search	<i>Search the data sources used in OWID charts</i>
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Description

Search the data sources used in OWID charts

Usage

```
owid_search(term)
```

Arguments

term A search term

Value

A matrix of chart titles and chart ids

Examples

```
# returns the titles and chart_ids of all charts containing the word 'emissions'  
owid_search("emissions")
```

owid_source	<i>Get source information on an OWID dataset</i>
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Description

A function to get source information from an OWID dataset and display it in the R console.

Usage

```
owid_source(data)
```

Arguments

data A dataset returned from owid().

Value

Displays the information in an easy to read format in the R console, also returns a list of data information.

Examples

```
rights <- owid("human-rights-scores")
owid_source(rights)
```

`view_chart`*View an OWID chart in your browser*

Description

A function that opens the original OWID chart in your browser.

Usage

```
view_chart(x)
```

Arguments

`x` Either a dataset returned by `owid()`, or a `chart_id`.

Value

Opens the chart in your browser.

Examples

```
firearm_suicide <- owid("suicide-rate-by-firearm")
view_chart(firearm_suicide)
```

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