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Description An R wrapper to allow the user to query categories and Series IDs, and import data, from the EIA's API <<https://www.eia.gov/opedata/>>.

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EIAdata-package *R wrapper for the US Energy Information Administration's (EIA's) API.*

Description

This package allows the user to query categories, and import data, through the EIA's API. Resulting time series are objects of class xts. The EIA API offers access to over a million unique time series. The package also contains a function which returns the latest EIA Natural Gas Storage Report.

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References

<http://www.eia.gov/beta/api/>

Examples

```
# The function wngsr will return a list object containing the time
# the report was run, and the contents of the US EIA's Weekly
# Natural Gas Storage Report. The function has no arguments,
# so simply run:

wngsr()

## Not run:
# \dontrun is used here because the functions require a valid EIA API key.

# While API keys are free, they are best kept private.

# Be sure to load your EIA key. You can request one
# here: http://www.eia.gov/beta/api/register.cfm
```

```
key <- "your_key"

# To see the top of the data category hierarchy.

getCatEIA(key=key)

# To see the subcategories and data sets in a particular category (for example 40827).

getCatEIA(key=key, cat=40827)

# To download and return a time series object of class xts
# for example ELEC.PLANT.GEN.13-WAT-ALL.Q

getEIA(ID = "ELEC.PLANT.GEN.13-WAT-ALL.Q", key = key)

# The if the EIA series ID contains a "-", the function will replace
# this with a ".". So the call above will return a time series of
# class xts named ELEC.PLANT.GEN.13.WAT.ALL.Q

## End(Not run)
```

getCatEIA

A function to view the sub and parent categories of an Energy Information Administration (EIA) API data category.

Description

A function to view the sub and parent categories of a EIA API data category. The function will return Series IDs in a category if present.

Usage

```
getCatEIA(cat = 999999999, key)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----|----------------------------------|
| key | Your EIA API key, in quotes. |
| cat | An EIA API data category number. |

Author(s)

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Examples

```
## The function is currently defined as
getCatEIA <- function(cat=999999999, key){
```

```

key <- unlist(strsplit(key, ";"))

ifelse(cat==999999999,
  url <- paste("http://api.eia.gov/category?api_key=",
    key, "&out=xml", sep="" ),

  url <- paste("http://api.eia.gov/category?api_key=", key,
    "&category_id=", cat, "&out=xml", sep="" )
)
for( i in 1:3 ) {
  doc <- tryCatch(readLines(url, warn = FALSE), error = function(w) FALSE)
  if (class(doc) != "logical"){
    doc <- xmlParse(doc)
    break
  }
  else
    if(i == 3)
      stop(paste0("Attempted to retrieve data for category #", cat,
        " and failed ", i, " times. \n This is likely due to a
        communication error ",
        "with the EIA website."))
}

Parent_Category <- tryCatch(xmlToDataFrame(
  nodes = XML::getNodeSet(doc, "//category/parent_category_id"),
  warning=function(w) FALSE, error=function(w) FALSE)

Sub_Categories <- xmlToDataFrame(nodes = XML::getNodeSet(doc, "//childcategories/row"))

Series_IDs <- xmlToDataFrame(nodes = XML::getNodeSet(doc, "///childseries/row"))

Categories <- list(Parent_Category, Sub_Categories, Series_IDs)
names(Categories) <- c("Parent_Category", "Sub_Categories", "Series_IDs")

return(Categories)
}

```

getEIA

A function to download data from the Energy Information Administration's (EIA's) API.

Description

A function to download data from the EIA's API. Resulting time series are of class xts.

Usage

```
getEIA(ID, key)
```

Arguments

ID The EIA API Series ID for the data.
key Your EIA API key.

Value

xts object (time series)

Author(s)

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Examples

```
## The function is currently defined as
function (ID, key)
{
  switch(.last_char(ID), A = .getAnnEIA(ID, key = key), Q = .getQEIA(ID,
    key = key), M = .getMonEIA(ID, key = key), W = .getWDEIA(ID,
    key = key), D = .getWDEIA(ID, key = key),
    print("ERROR: The last
    character of your ID is not one of the possible sampling
    frequencies (A, Q, M, W, or D)"))
}
```

wngsr

A function to return the latest EIA Weekly Natural Gas Storage Report.

Description

The function wngsr will return a list object containing the time the report was run, and the contents of the US EIA's Weekly Natural Gas Storage Report. The function has no arguments.

Usage

wngsr()

Author(s)

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Examples

To return the storage report simply run:

wngsr()

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