



## QDA Miner 3.2 The Mixed Method Solution for Qualitative Analysis

### What's New in Version 3.2?

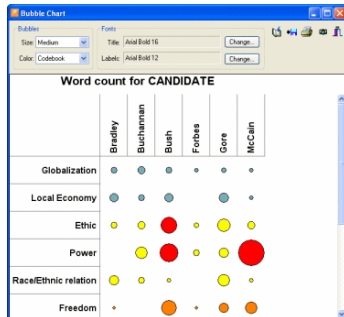
#### 1. VIRTUAL GROUPING OF CODES

Codebook categories have been used mainly to organize codes in a hierarchical way. By default, categories cannot be assigned to text segments and frequency statistics can only be computed on codes, not on their categories. The VIRTUAL GROUPING function allows one temporarily group all codes in a category and instruct QDA Miner to compute frequencies and perform statistics at the category level. The VIRTUAL GROUPING function will affect the following features of QDA Miner:

- ANALYSIS | CODING FREQUENCIES
- ANALYSIS | CODING CO-OCCURRENCES
- ANALYSIS | CODING SEQUENCES
- ANALYSIS | CODING BY VARIABLES
- ANALYSIS | CODING AGREEMENT
- VARIABLES | COMPUTE COMMAND
- FILE | EXPORT | STATISTICS

#### 2. STACKED BAR CHART AND BUBBLE CHART

Two new charts have been added to display relationship between codings and variables: The **stacked bar chart** allows one to display relative or absolute frequency of codings by stacking them for each class of the categorical or numerical variable. It allows one to quickly show the relationship of parts to the whole or to emphasize a sum of several codes.



The **bubble chart** is a graphic representation of crosstab tables where relative frequencies are represented by circles of different diameters. This type of chart allows one to quickly identify high and low frequency cells and is thus especially useful for presentation purposes. Many features of the chart can be customized to highlight specific findings. Rows and columns can be moved freely or deleted, and one can adjust the color of each cell as well as the fonts used.

#### 3. CODING BY COMBINATION OF VARIABLES

The CODING BY VARIABLE command can now examine the relationship between codes assigned to text segments and the combined values of two variables (for example: Gender x Age).

#### 4. FREQUENCY AND CROSSTAB OF NUMERICAL & CATEGORICAL DATA

The new VARIABLES | STATISTICS command allows one to quickly obtain the frequency and cross-frequency distribution of numerical, categorical, date and short string variables.

## **5. IMPROVED INTEGRATION WITH WORDSTAT**

WordStat can now be called from various retrieval tables to analyze the extracted text segments.

## **6. APPEND CASES FROM AN EXTERNAL DATA FILE**

A new CASES | APPEND FROM A DATA FILE command now allows one to append new cases stored in an external data file. QDA Miner can import case from another project or directly from other file formats such as Excel, MS Access, or tab delimited files. An option allows one to ignore cases that have already been imported.

## **7. NEW SEGMENT RETRIEVAL METHODS**

Being able to quickly retrieve relevant text segments associated with specific codes or patterns of codes is important. QDA Miner introduces many new ways of retrieving text segments from various tables and graphs as well as those associated with co-occurrence patterns.

## **8. IMPROVED SEGMENT RETRIEVAL REPORTS**

Variables can now be added to all segment retrieval tables. Those tables may also be transformed into a text report.

## **9. IMPROVED CODEBOOK PRINTING**

One can now includes the description and the keywords associated with each code when printing codebooks.

## **10. VERTICAL LABELS ON TABLES AND GRAPHICS**

A new button has been added to various charts and tables to display labels of columns or on the bottom axis vertically rather than horizontally.

## **11. FILTERING OF CODED OR UNCODED DOCUMENTS**

One can now filter cases based on whether a document contains codes. Such a feature may be used to filter out coded documents and focus on those that still need to be reviewed and tagged. It may also be used to restrict analysis on cases that have been coded.

## **12. EASIER CUSTOMIZATION OF CORRESPONDENCE ANALYSIS**

The customization of correspondence plots is now easier with a new dialog box for basic editing.

## **13. REORDERING OF VALUE LABELS**

A new dialog allows you to reorder values of ordinal and nominal variables.