Data Dictionary

* Axial coding: the process of grouping similar meanings and patterns in qualitative data into categories, creating the overarching set of codes and their sub-codes.
* Codebook: document containing a list of codes used in one’s qualitative analysis. The codebook will list the codes, their definitions, and examples of how to use the code in practice.
* Focused coding: the process of finding meaning and patterns in qualitative data, such as interview transcripts, guided by a specific thematic issue or question.
* Open coding: the process of finding meaning and patterns in qualitative data without a thematic issue or question guiding the process. Allows information to organize more organically into themes than in focused coding.
* Structural codes: codes that describe patterns and meaning emerging from responses to set questions, such as interview questions.
* Thematic codes: a series of encompassing identifiers for patterns and meaning of qualitative data.

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