

European Representative Democracy (ERD)

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Codebook for ERD – e

The European Representative Democracy data archive consists of cabinet-level data for 29 European democracies in post-WWII Europe. For each country, the archive contains data for all cabinets that have formed after the introduction of the current democratic regime of parliamentary democracy (for Cyprus representative democracy). Cabinets formed before or on December 31 2010 are included in the data archive. Altogether, the data archive contains a total of 640 cabinets, i.e., coalitions, single party and non-partisan cabinets.

Given the above criteria, data for Greece, Portugal and Spain have been collected since their democratizations in the 1970s. Data on France is limited to the Fifth Republic that began in 1959. For new member states of the European Union from Central Eastern Europe, as well as Malta and Cyprus, data exists only after the period of democratization of Central Eastern Europe (from the first democratically elected parliament).

Up to 1 January 1999, the Comparative Parliamentary Democracy (CPD) data archive is the main source of the data for the 17 Western European (WE) countries (1-17). However, a few of these variables have been recorded or re-calculated in a different way in the EDR database. This means that although we include previous variable names in this code book, there is not a 100% correspondence between all data in this European Representative Democracy (ERD) data set and the Comparative Parliamentary Democracy data set upon which it is mainly built. Nevertheless, most of the data from WE-17 prior to 1999 can also be found under the CPD link on this home page (www.erdda.se). When variables that also existed in CPD have been completely revised, we indicate that in this codebook.

We have collected all data from the period after 1999 ourselves, by using multiple sources (more on the sources below). The same is true for all countries (18-29) that were not part of the Comparative Parliamentary Democracy data archive.

The first release of the ERD data set was launched in March 2012. The second release (2.0) in January 2013 contained systematically improved estimates for v007e (code for date out), v700e (total cabinet volatility), v701e (average cabinet volatility) and v708e (cabinet electoral performance). In this third release (3.0), we have conducted a systematic review of the data relative to the second release. We acknowledge the support of colleagues who have called our attention to a few observed errors in the earlier release. We have corrected these, as well as the few errors we found ourselves. In the “Corrections and additions file (3.0)”, the changes are listed both in terms of what variables they concern and the type of changes made, as well as which cabinets the changes concern. This new release of the data set (3.0) also includes the addition of a new variable (majority coalition, v326e_add). In addition, we have updated the information for all cabinets formed before or on December 31 2010, in particular we have completed the information on those cabinets that ended after 2010 (i.e. up through December 2013).

We have also produced a file in which we have highlighted (in yellow) all the changes between Release 2.0 and Release 3.0. This file is available on request.

For all our data, we have put together a source file indicating where we obtained the data. As part of that process, for each data point we have checked multiple sources before deciding on the coding content. The sources for data are listed in a full reference list at the end of the Reference file. The reference file is constructed as a mirror image of the data file; the difference being that instead of a data entry in each cell, the sources used when calculating or coding the data is entered. This enables the user to identify the references

used for each data entry. Further details, variable definitions and methods can also be found in this code book and in the corresponding Notes on coding principles document.

In addition, we would like to acknowledge the help of Johan Hellström (Umeå University), who produced the STATA file that we are now able to make available. He has produced four Stata files. Two of these are for Stata version 9 and two are for Stata version 12. There are also A- and B-versions of these Stata files. In the original Excel-file and in the “A” files, Non applicable (N.A.) is coded as 88888. Missing data is coded as blank or 99999. In the “B”- version of the Stata files, both Non applicable, 88888 and 99999 (missing), are coded as blank (i.e. as missing).

Note on correct acknowledgements

Publications using this data should acknowledge in writing that the information comes from:

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To use the information coded by political party, please refer to the Codebook for political parties, also published in this Data Archive.

Notes on the data file:

A note of caution: While we have done our very best to avoid coding errors, all major data sets are always “work in progress”. We would appreciate it if you could let us know if you find any problems with our data.

0. Cabinet Identification

| Variable | CPD variable name(s) | Label | Coding | Notes |
|----------|----------------------|----------------------------|---|---|
| v001e | v001x | Country | 01= Austria, 02=Belgium, 03=Denmark, 04=Finland, 05=France, 06=Germany, 07=Greece, 08=Iceland, 09=Ireland,10=Italy, 11=Luxembourg, 12= the Netherlands, 13=Norway, 14=Portugal, 15=Spain, 16=Sweden, 17=United Kingdom, 18=Bulgaria, 19=Cyprus, 20= Czech Republic, 21=Estonia, 22=Hungary, 23=Latvia, 24=Lithuania, 25=Malta, 26=Poland, 27=Romania, 28= Slovakia, 29=Slovenia | |
| v002e | v002x | Cabinet code | First digits=country code, Second digit=cabinet code | |
| v003e | v003x | Cabinet | Occurs at any change of (a) party composition, (b) general election and (c) change of PM. | |
| v004e | v004x | Date in | | |
| v005e | v005x | Date out | | |
| v006e | | Coding method for date in | 1=Data on the date of inauguration by the head of state, 2=Data on date of investiture vote, 3= Data on the date of general election, 4= Other technical criteria, e.g a change in party composition. | Concerning priority between methods used such a rank applies only between 1 and 2, and not 3 and 4, e.g. we might have a cabinet that simply continues after elections and in these cases we use the election date as the start of the cabinet although it might be officially inaugurated later. |
| v007e | | Coding method for date out | 1=Acceptance of head of state of resignation, 2= Vote of no confidence, 3=Date on the date of general election, 4= Other technical criteria e.g. change in party composition, death of PM. | Concerning priority between methods used that applies only between 1 and 2, and not 3 and 4, e.g. we might have a cabinet that ends because of changes in party composition where there are no formal resignation of the PM and therefore no acceptance of such resignation by the head of state. |
| v008e | | Date of general election | | Starting a new period of office. For Finland, Iceland, Italy, and Norway when elections officially last over two days, the second day is recorded. |
| v009e | | Date of general election | | Ending a period of office. For Finland, Italy, and Norway when elections officially last over two days, the second day is recorded. |
| v010e | v011x | Cabinet composition | Party acronyms | Party of PM listed first |

1: Space-Time

| Variable | CPD variable name(s) | Label | Coding | Notes |
|----------|----------------------|---------|-------------|-------|
| v100e | v001y | Austria | 1 = Austria | |
| v101e | v002y | Belgium | 1 = Belgium | |
| v102e | v003y | Denmark | 1 = Denmark | |
| v103e | v004y | Finland | 1 = Finland | |
| v104e | v005y | France | 1 = France | |
| v105e | v006y | Germany | 1 = Germany | |
| v106e | v007y | Greece | 1 = Greece | |

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| v107e | v008y | Iceland | 1 = Iceland | Country Dummies |
| v108e | v009y | Ireland | 1 = Ireland | |
| v109e | v010y | Italy | 1 = Italy | |
| v110e | v011y | Luxembourg | 1 = Luxembourg | |
| v111e | v012y | Netherlands | 1 = Netherlands | |
| v112e | v013y | Norway | 1 = Norway | |
| v113e | v014y | Portugal | 1 = Portugal | |
| v114e | v015y | Spain | 1 = Spain | |
| v115e | v016y | Sweden | 1 = Sweden | |
| v116e | v017y | UK | 1 = UK | |
| v117e | | Bulgaria | 1 = Bulgaria | |
| v118e | | Cyprus | 1 = Cyprus | |
| v119e | | Czech Republic | 1 = Czech Rep. | |
| v120e | | Estonia | 1 = Estonia | |
| v121e | | Hungary | 1 = Hungary | |
| v122e | | Latvia | 1 = Latvia | |
| v123e | | Lithuania | 1 = Lithuania | |
| v124e | | Malta | 1 = Malta | |
| v125e | | Poland | 1 = Poland | |
| v126e | | Romania | 1 = Romania | |
| v127e | | Slovakia | 1 = Slovakia | |
| v128e | | Slovenia | 1 = Slovenia | |
| v129e | V006x | Decade by date of formation | 40=1940-1949, 50=1950-1959, 60=1960-1969 and so on... | |
| v130e | v030y | Start Decade | One Digit # | |
| v131e | v030y2 | End Decade | One Digit # | |
| v132e | v031y | 1940s | 1 = 1940s | |
| v133e | v032y | 1950s | 1 = 1950s | |
| v134e | v033y | 1960s | 1 = 1960s | |
| v135e | v034y | 1970s | 1 = 1970s | |
| v136e | v035y | 1980s | 1 = 1980s | |
| v137e | v036y | 1990s | 1 = 1990s | |
| v138e | | 2000s | 1 = 2000s | |
| v139e | | 2010s | 1 = 2010s | |
| v140e | v031y2 | 1940s | 1 = 1940s | |
| v141e | v032y2 | 1950s | 1 = 1950s | |
| v142e | v033y2 | 1960s | 1 = 1960s | |
| v143e | v034y2 | 1970s | 1 = 1970s | |
| v144e | v035y2 | 1980s | 1 = 1980s | |
| v145e | v036y2 | 1990s | 1 = 1990s | |
| v146e | | v2000s | 1 = 2000s | |
| v147e | | v2010s | 1 = 2010s | |

2. Parliamentary seat distribution

| Variable | CPD variable name(s) | Label | Coding | Notes |
|----------|----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| v200e | v020x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 1 | See party code book for party codes | |
| v201e | v021x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 2 | | |
| v202e | v022x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 3 | | |
| v203e | v023x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 4 | | |
| v204e | v024x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 5 | | |
| v205e | v025x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 6 | | |
| v206e | v026x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 7 | | |
| v207e | v027x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 8 | | |
| v208e | v028x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 9 | | |

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| v209e | v029x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 10 | | |
| v210e | v030x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 11 | | |
| v211e | v031x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 12 | | |
| v212e | v032x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 13 | | |
| v213e | v033x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 14 | | |
| v214e | v034x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 15 | | |
| v215e | v035x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 16 | | |
| v216e | v036x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 17 | | |
| v217e | v037x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 18 | | |
| v218e | v038x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 19 | | |
| v219e | v039x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 20 | | |
| v220e | v040x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 21 | | |
| v221e | v041x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 22 | | |
| v222e | v042x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 23 | | |
| v223e | v043x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 24 | | |
| v224e | v044x | Party seats lower chamber, Party 25 | | |
| v225e | | Party seats lower chamber, Party 26 | | |
| v226e | | Party seats lower chamber, Party 27 | | |
| v227e | | Party seats lower chamber, Party 28 | | |
| v228e | | Party seats lower chamber, Party 29 | | |
| v229e | | Party seats lower chamber, Party 30 | | |
| v230e | | Party seats lower chamber, Party 31 | | |
| v231e | | Party seats lower chamber, Party 32 | | |
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| v250e | v053x | Party seats upper chamber, party 1 | | |
| v251e | v054x | Party seats upper chamber, party 2 | | |
| v252e | v055x | Party seats upper chamber, party 3 | | |
| v253e | v056x | Party seats upper chamber, party 4 | | |
| v254e | v057x | Party seats upper chamber, party 5 | | |
| v255e | v058x | Party seats upper chamber, party 6 | | |
| v256e | v059x | Party seats upper chamber, party 7 | | |
| v257e | v060x | Party seats upper chamber, party 8 | | |
| v258e | v061x | Party seats upper chamber, party 9 | | |
| v259e | v062x | Party seats upper chamber, party 10 | | |
| v260e | v063x | Party seats upper chamber, | | |

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| | | party 11 | | |
| v261e | v064x | Party seats upper chamber, party 12 | | |
| v262e | v065x | Party seats upper chamber, party 13 | | |
| v263e | v066x | Party seats upper chamber, party 14 | | |
| v264e | v067x | Party seats upper chamber, party 15 | | |
| v265e | v068x | Party seats upper chamber, party 16 | | |
| v266e | v069x | Party seats upper chamber, party 17 | | |
| v267e | v070x | Party seats upper chamber, party 18 | | |
| v268e | v071x | Party seats upper chamber, party 19 | | |
| v269e | v072x | Party seats upper chamber, party 20 | | |
| v270e | v073x | Party seats upper chamber, party 21 | | |
| v271e | v074x | Party seats upper chamber, party 22 | | |
| v272e | v075x | Party seats upper chamber, party 23 | | |
| v273e | v076x | Party seats upper chamber, party 24 | | |
| v274e | v077x | Party seats upper chamber, party 25 | | |

3. Structural Attributes

| Variable | CPD variable name(s) | Label | Coding | Notes |
|----------|----------------------|---|--|---|
| v300e | v017x | Does the cabinet represent the start of a new government | 0=No, 1=Yes (= A new government is only recorded at a change in party composition or a new election), 3=non-partisan cabinet | |
| v301e | v019x | Proximity to election, popularly elected /lower chamber | F=Cabinet immediately following an election. E=Cabinet ended by an election. FE=Cabinet immediately following an election and ended by the next election, N=neither immediately following or ended by an election | |
| v302e | v052x | Proximity to election, upper chamber, cabinet | F=Cabinet immediately following an election. E=Cabinet ended by an election. FE=Cabinet immediately following an election and ended by the next election, N=neither immediately following or ended by an election | |
| v303e | v040y, folelec | Post Election Cabinet | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v304e | v041y, v007x | Max Possible Cab Duration | # (unit = days) | |
| v305e | | Max Possible Cab Duration | # (unit = days) | Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets |
| v306e | v042y, v083x | Absolute No. Parl Parties | # (unit = parties) | Updates from 1999-2010 based on parties with recorded seats |
| v307e | | Absolute No. Parl Parties according to recorded seat distribution | | |
| v308e | | Absolute No. Parl Parties according to recorded seat distribution + 1 if there are others recorded) | | |
| v309e | v043y, v049x | Effective No. Parl Parties, lower chamber | # (unit = parties) | |
| v310e | | Bargaining power fragmentation | # (unit= Frag Index) | Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets |

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| v311e | v080x | Effective no of parliamentary parties, upper chamber | | |
| v312e | v045y, lppern | Largest Party Seat Share | # (range 0 to 1) | |
| v313e | v046y bpmax | Bargaining Power of Largest Party | # (unit = Banzhaf Index) | Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets |
| v314e | v047y, minosit | Minority Situation in Parliament | 1 = Minority Situation | No single party holds 50% plus one seat or more of parliamentary seats |
| v315e | v048y, v012x | Non-partisan cabinet | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v316e | v049y, v014x | Coalition Cabinet | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v317e | v047x | Cabinet strength, lower chamber | Seats | |
| v318e | v050y, v048x | Cabinet Seat Share | # (unit = % points) | |
| v319e | v079x | Cabinet strength, upper chamber | Seats | |
| v320e | v051y, v013x | Number of Cabinet Parties | # (unit = parties) | |
| v321e | v051y2, v051ychsimp | Change in Cabinet Parties | 1 = Inc, 0 = No Ch, -1 = Dec | |
| v322e | v052y, bpmaccab | Max Bargaining Power Pty in Cab | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v323e | v053y, majone | Single Party Majority Cabinet | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v324e | v054y, minone | Single Party Minority Cabinet | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v325e | v055y, minmul | Minority Coalition | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v326e | v056y, v015x | Majority Cabinet | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v326e_add | | Majority Coalition | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v327e | v057y, mwc | Minimal Winning Coalition | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v328e | v058y, surplus, v016x | Surplus Majority Cabinet | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v329e | v058y2, govtype | Government Type | 1 = Minority, 2 = MWC, 3 = Surplus | |
| v330e | v060y, v217x | Number of Cabinet Members (ministers) | # (unit = people) | |
| v331e | v060y2, v060ychsimp | Change in Number of Cabinet Members (ministers) | 1 = Inc, 0 = No Ch, -1 = Dec | |

4. Preferences

| Variable | CPD variable name(s) | Label | Coding | Notes |
|----------|----------------------|--|----------------------|---|
| v400e | v045x | Party of the median legislator, first dimension, lower chamber | Party label | Taxes vs. spending |
| v401e | | Saliency of first dimension, lower chamber | | Taxes vs. spending Importance/ weight of first dimension to parties |
| v402e | v050x | Party of the median legislator, second policy dimension, lower chamber | Party label | |
| v403e | | Saliency of second dimension, lower chamber | | Importance/ weight of second dimension to parties |
| v404e | v081x | Party of the median legislator, first policy dimension, upper chamber | Party label | |
| v405e | v082x | Party of the median legislator, second policy dimension, upper chamber | Party label | |
| v406e | | Parliamentary Preference Range | | Party manifesto data. Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets |
| v407e | | Polarization (BP Weighted) | # (manifesto points) | Party manifesto data. Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets: Polarization is based on the equation presented in Bergman et al. (2008), p. 112, v082y where: |

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| | | | | b is for bargaining power of party i, x is the left-right position of party i, and \bar{x} is the weighted average left-right positions of all parties.* |
| v408e | v085y, medparbp | Median Party Bargaining Power | # (unit = Banzhaf Index) | |
| v409e | | Largest Party Distance to Median | # (manifesto points) | Party manifesto data. Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets |
| v410e | | Cabinet Preference Range | # (manifesto points) | Party manifesto data. Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets |
| v411e | v089y, medleg1 | Median Party (1 st Dim) in Cab | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v412e | v090y, newmedleg2 | Median Party (2 nd Dim) in Cab | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | Up to 1999 Experts coded Denmark, France, and Greece as having one dim. For these countries, this variable is coded with the 2 nd dim equaling the 1 st dim up to 1999. |
| v413e | v091y, connect | Connected Cab | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | Single-party cabinets, as well as connected coalitions, are coded as connected. Non-partisan cabinets are coded as Non-applicable (=88888). |
| v414e | v091y2, mcwc | Minimal Winning Connected Coalition | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | |
| v415e | v092y, ceconmaj | Conservative Cab | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | Coded 1 if cabinet majority is from conservative bloc, i.e. liberal and conservative parties |
| v416e | v093y, cesocmaj | Socialist Cab | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | Coded 1 if cabinet majority is from socialist bloc, i.e. socialist, left socialist and communist parties. |

* Bergman, Torbjörn et al. (2008) "The Empirical Study of Cabinet Governance" in Strøm, Kaare, Wolfgang C. Müller, and Torbjörn Bergman *Cabinets and Coalition Bargaining: The Democratic Life Cycle in Western Europe*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

5. Institutions

| Variable | CPD variable name(s) | Label | Coding | Notes |
|----------|----------------------|--|-----------------|--|
| v500e | v121y, V228zi5 | Lower Chamber Only Decides Legislation | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 0 = Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Italy, Netherlands, Spain, Sweden (-1970) |
| v501e | v122y, ddconsref4 | Supermajority for Const Amend | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 0 = Denmark, France, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Spain (-1978), Sweden, UK. Assumed constant after 1999. |
| v502e | v123y, strong2nd | Strong Second Chamber | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Belgium (-95), Italy (1948-), Sweden (-70). |
| v503e | v124y, weak2nd | Weak Second Chamber | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Austria, Belgium (95-), France, Germany, Ireland, Netherlands, Spain (-1978), UK. Assumed constant after 1999. |
| v504e | V124y2, bicameral | Bicameralism | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Austria, Belgium, Denmark (-70), France, Germany, Ireland, Italy (1948-), Netherlands, Spain (1978-), Sweden (-70), UK |
| v505e | v126y, invest | Positive Parliamentarism | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Belgium, Germany, Greece, Ireland (1945-), Italy (1948-), Luxembourg, Spain (1978-), Finland |

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| v506e | v127y, screen | Ex Ante Gvt Program Screen | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Belgium, Greece, Luxembourg, Portugal, Spain. Assumed constant after 1999. |
| v507e | v128y, noconf | Abs Majority No- confidence | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Belgium (95–) France, Germany, Greece, Iceland (1945–), Portugal, Spain (1978–), Sweden (71–). Assumed constant after 1999. |
| v508e | v129y, construct | Constructive No- Confidence | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Germany, Spain, Belgium (1995–) |
| v509e | v130y, cabunan | Cabinet Rule: Unanimity | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Austria, Italy (1948–), Portugal |
| v510e | v131y, cabconsPM | Cabinet Rule: PM Consensus | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Belgium, Denmark, Spain (1978–), Sweden, UK. Assumed constant after 1999. |
| v511e | v132y, v227zis4 | Cabinet Co-decides Leg | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Denmark, Netherlands, Sweden (–70) |
| v512e | v133y, pmpow | PM Cabinet Powers | Range: 1 to 7 | One point each of 7 PM Cabinet Powers. For definition se variable 513e but note one difference: Bergman et al (2003: 183- 194)* used a somewhat different definition of Prime Minister cabinet powers that substituted Cabinet decision rule for whether an administrative structure exists under the Prime Minister's control, i.e. whether the job of the PM includes command of resources that provide him/her with independent information/expertise on what goes on in the individual ministries. |
| v513e | | PM Cabinet Powers (b) | Range: 1 to 7 | One point for each existing PM power. Variable consists of: the existence of an actual decision rule for cabinet decision-making (one point if the PM sums up the cabinet discussion or if majority voting applies, and zero if cabinet decisions are made unanimously) (i); the PM has the right to appoint (ii) and dismiss (iii) ministers; ministers can only be removed by parliament if parliament dismisses the PM/full cabinet (iv); Prime minister has the right to decide ministry jurisdiction (v); Prime minister has steering or co-coordinating rights vis-à-vis ministers (vi); and Prime minister has control over cabinet agenda (vii). (See these variables in Bergman et al 2003: 183- 194)* |
| v514e | | PM Cabinet Powers (3) | Range: 1 to 3 | One point for each existing |

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| | | | | Prime minister power. Consists of right to appoint (i) and dismiss (ii) ministers, and ministers being parliamentary accountable through the PM only (iii). |
| v515e | v134y, pmdiss | PM Dissolution Powers | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Belgium, Denmark, Luxembourg, Spain (1978—), Sweden 1971-1974, UK. Assumed constant after 1999. |
| v516e | v135y, pmappdism | PM Cab Appt Power | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 0 = Belgium, Finland (–2000), Netherlands, Spain (–1977) |
| v517e | v136y, v138zis2 | HoS Discretionary Cab Appt Role | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Finland (–2000), France, Spain (–1977) |
| v518e | v137y, semip | Semi-Presidentialism | 1 = Yes, 0 = No | 1 = Finland (–2000), France, Greece (–1985), Portugal (–82) |
| v519e | V139y, V046x | Size of Lower Chamber | # of Seats | |
| v520e | v078x | Size of upper chamber | # of Seats | |

* Bergman, Torbjörn, Wolfgang C. Müller, Kaare Strøm, and Magnus Blomgren (2003). “Democratic delegation and accountability: cross-national patterns”, in Strøm, Kaare, Wolfgang C. Müller, and Torbjörn Bergman, *Delegation and accountability in parliamentary democracies*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.

6. Bargaining environment

| Variable | CPD variable name(s) | Label | Coding | Notes |
|----------|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---|
| v600e | v167y, v095x | Cabinet bargaining duration | # (days) | |
| v601e | v010x | Relative duration 100% | 0=No, 1=Yes | |
| v602e | v179y, v009x | Relative Cab Duration | % | |
| v603e | | Relative Cab Duration | | Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets |
| v604e | v179y2, v008x | Absolute Cab Duration | # (Unit = Days) | |
| v605e | | Absolute Cab Duration | | Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets |

7. Critical Events

| Variable | CPD variable name(s) | Name | Coding | Notes |
|----------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|---|
| v700e | | Total cabinet electoral volatility | # (%) | For each cabinet party, the vote support (%) received at the relevant parliamentary election is subtracted from the vote support (%) that the same party received at the immediately preceding election; the absolute value of these scores are summarized for all cabinet parties. Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets |
| v701e | | Average cabinet electoral volatility | # (%) | For each cabinet party, the vote support (%) received at the relevant parliamentary election is subtracted from the vote support (%) that the same party received at the immediately preceding election; the absolute value of these scores are summarized for all |

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| | | | | cabinet parties and then divided by the number of cabinet parties. Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets |
| v702e | v205y, cpa3 | Inflation (Cab Beginning) | # (-3 to 98) | |
| v703e | v206y, jla3 | Unemployment (Cab Beginning) | # (0 to 22.2) | |
| v704e | v207y, gdppc3 | Growth (Beginning) | # (-58.8 to 68.8) | |
| v705e | v208y, jla3end | Unemployment (End) | # (.1 to 22.2) | |
| v706e | v209y, cpa3end | Inflation (End) | # (-3 to 98) | |
| v707e | v210y, cgdppc3 | Growth (End) | # (-7.1 to 19) | |
| v708e | v219y, Elecperf. | Cabinet EI Performance | # (%) | For each cabinet party, the vote support (%) that a political party received at the parliamentary election which preceded its cabinet membership is subtracted from the vote support (%) it received at the next (following) parliamentary election; these scores then are summarized. Coded in-house 2012, re-calculated for all cabinets |