Codebook for "Information and Confrontation in Congressional Oversight"

scaling/audit_comparisons.csv

- id1: The GPO hearing ID with the legislator's ICPSR ID appended, associated with the left text.
- id2: The GPO hearing ID with the legislator's ICPSR ID appended, associated with the right text.
- informational: 1 if the left text was chosen as more informational, 0 if the right text was chosen as more informational.
- confrontational: 1 if the left text was chosen as more confrontational, 0 if the right text was chosen as more confrontational.
- ra: 1 if the coder was a paid research assistant, 0 otherwise.
- expert: 1 if the coder was an expert practitioner, 0 otherwise.
- student: 1 if the coder was an undergraduate student who was not a paid research assistant, 0 otherwise.

scaling/comparisons.csv

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- confrontational: 1 if the left text was chosen as more confrontational, 0 if the right text was chosen as more confrontational.
- ra: 1 if the coder was a paid research assistant, 0 otherwise.
- expert: 1 if the coder was an expert practitioner, 0 otherwise.
- student: 1 if the coder was an undergraduate student who was not a paid research assistant, 0 otherwise.
- rater_party: R if the rater was an expert and a Republican, D if the rater was an expert and a Democrat. NA for all non-expert raters.

scaling/expert_comp.csv:

- id: The GPO hearing ID with the legislator's ICPSR ID appended.

- chamber: House or Senate.
- icpsr: The speaker's ICPSR ID.
- congress: The congress in which the hearing was held.
- Name: The speaker's name.
- Seniority: The number of years the Speaker has been a part of the chamber.
- LES: The speaker's legislative effectiveness score.
- Majority: 1 if the speaker is a member of the majority party (or caucuses with them), 0 otherwise.
- Chair: 1 if the speaker is the chair of the committee, 0 otherwise.
- Ranking: 1 if the speaker is the ranking member of the committee, 0 otherwise.
- Subchair: 1 if the speaker is a subcommittee chair in the oversight committee, 0 otherwise.
- Lawyer: 1 if the speaker has a background as a lawyer, 0 otherwise.
- Businessman: 1 if the speaker has a background in business, 0 otherwise.
- Career.Politician: 1 if the speaker has no substantial work experience outside of politics, 0 otherwise.
- PresParty: True if the speaker is a member of the president's party, false otherwise.
- Minority: True if the speaker is a member of the minority party, false otherwise.
- pvi: The Cook PVI for the member's district, positive if it favors their party and negative if it disfavors their party.
- Safe: 1 if the member represents a district that is better than +5 for their party, 0 otherwise.
- nominate: The member's NOMINATE score as reported by voteview.com.
- Extremity: The absolute value of the member's NOMINATE score as reported by voteview.com.

scaling/is_subcomm_hearing.csv:

- hearingid: GPO assigned identifier for the hearing.
- subcommittee: 1 if a subcommittee hearing, 0 if a full committee hearing
- (sub)committee name: Plain text name of committee or subcommittee that eld the hearing.

scaling/member_level_attendance.csv:

- id: The potential attendee's ICPSR id.
- hearingid: GPO assigned identifier for the hearing.
- Committee: Code for the associated committee. HSGO for the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, DOPO for its Domestic Policy Subcommittee, GMOP

for its Government Management, Organization, and Procurement Subcommittee , FWPS for its Postal Service, and District of Columbia Subcommittee, NSFA for its National Security and Foreign Affairs Subcommittee, IPCN for its Information Policy, Census, and National Archives Subcommittee, SSGA for the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs, FFMG for its Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security Subcommittee, PSOI for its Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, SLPS for its Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration Subcommittee, OGMF for its Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia Subcommittee, and SOCO for its Ad Hoc Committee on Contracting Oversight.

- Congress: The congress in which the hearing was held.
- CommLeader: 1 if the legislator is either the committee chair or the ranking member.
- SubcommLeader: 1 if the legislator is either the subcommittee chair or the subcommittee ranking member for the relevant subcommittee.
- Senate: 1 if the hearing was held in the Senate, 0 if it was held in the House.
- Seniority: The number of years the legislator has been in the chamber.
- Minority: 1 if the legislator is a member of the minority party, 0 if they are a member of the majority party.

scaling/partymap.json:

- The first key is the legislator's ICPSR ID. The second is the corresponding congress.
- The value is a party code: 100 for Democrats, 200 for Republicans, and 328 for Independents.

scaling/ra_comp.csv:

- id: The GPO hearing ID with the legislator's ICPSR ID appended.
- chamber: House or Senate.
- icpsr: The speaker's ICPSR ID.
- congress: The congress in which the hearing was held.
- Name: The speaker's name.
- Seniority: The number of years the Speaker has been a part of the chamber.
- LES: The speaker's legislative effectiveness score.
- Majority: 1 if the speaker is a member of the majority party (or caucuses with them), 0 otherwise.
- Chair: 1 if the speaker is the chair of the committee, 0 otherwise.
- Ranking: 1 if the speaker is the ranking member of the committee, 0 otherwise.
- Subchair: 1 if the speaker is a subcommittee chair in the oversight committee, 0 otherwise.

- Lawyer: 1 if the speaker has a background as a lawyer, 0 otherwise.
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topics/expert_hearingids_with_legacy.csv:

- hearingid: GPO assigned identifier for the hearing.
- title: Plain text title of the hearing.
- legacyid: A legacy ID system used by the Policy Agendas Project.

topics/manual_hearing_topics.csv:

- title: Plain text title of the hearing.
- id: Legacy Hearing ID
- year: Year the hearing was held.
- topicid: Numerical topic ID, using the coding scheme from the Policy Agendas Project.
- topic: Plain text name for the associated topic id.

topics/US-Legislative_congressional_hearings-21.4.csv:

- See the Policy Agendas Project website for documentation: https://www.comparativeagendas.net/files/committee-codebook