Issue Linkage and Climate Votes in

the U.S. House of Representatives, 2007-2020

Codebook

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Variable name	Variable type	Description	Note
Index	Integer	Index number assigned to observation	
Representative	Character	Representative name (Last,First)	
Party	Character	Political Party; R for Republican, D for Demorat	
District_code	Character	District code for representative in format state abbreviation – district number (ex. AL-01)	
Year	Integer	Scorecard year (legislative year the vote was held)	
Session	Integer	Congressional session number	
Prev_election	Integer	Year of the election preceding the session	
Roll_Call	Integer	Roll Call Vote Number	
Vote_Name	Character	Name assigned to the vote by League of Conservation Voters (Different from Bill Name)	
Issues	Character	List of issue areas assigned to vote by LCV	
Dirty_En	Binary	Is the vote also coded as dirty energy? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Transpo	Binary	Is the vote also coded as transportation? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Wildlife	Binary	Is the vote also coded as wildlife? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Water	Binary	Is the vote also coded as water? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Clean_En	Binary	Is the vote also coded as clean energy? 1 = yes	

		0 = no	
Env_Justice	Binary	Is the vote also coded as environmental justice? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Clean_Air	Binary	Is the vote also coded as clean air? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Clean_Water	Binary	Is the vote also coded as clean water? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Drilling	Binary	Is the vote also coded as drilling? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Oceans	Binary	Is the vote also coded as oceans? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Leg_Num	Character	Legislation number assigned. Ex: S.J Res. 14, J.R. 3684, etc.	
Leg_Name	Character	Title of legislation (assigned by Congress)	
H_Bill	Binary	Is the legislation a bill originating in the House? 1 = yes 0 = no	
H_res	Binary	Is the legislation a resolution originating in the House? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Sen_leg	Binary	Did the legislation originate in the Senate (bill or resolution)? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Amendment	Binary	Is the vote on an amendment to a piece of legislation? 1 = yes 0 = no	

Pro_env	Binary	Is vote on a pro-environment issue? 1 = yes (LCV preferred vote is a yes) 0 = no (LCV preferred vote is a no)	
LCV_pref_won	Binary	Did the LCV designated pro-environment position win vote?	Pro-environment position can be yes or no
Enacted	Binary	Was measure enacted into law? 1= yes 0= no Blank = vote failed, no legislation to move forward	
Sen_no_action	Binary	Reason for not enacting: Senate declined to vote on bill 1 = yes 0 = no Blank = vote failed, no legislation to move forward	
Senate_fail	Binary	Reason for not enacting: Senate vote failed 1 = yes 0 = no Blank = vote failed, no legislation to move forward	
Pres_decline	Binary	Reason for not enacting: President declined to sign 1 = yes 0 = no Blank = vote failed, no legislation to move forward	
Other_noenact	Binary	Reason for not enacting: other 1 = yes 0 = no Blank = vote failed, no legislation to move forward	

ENV_Success	Binary	Was pro-environment legislation enacted into law? 1 = yes 0 = no	
ENV_Fail	Binary	Was harmful environmental legislation enacted into law? 1 = yes 0 = no	
Dem_House	Binary	Democratic control of House during legislative session 1 = yes 0 = no	
Dem_Sen	Binary	Democratic control of Senate during legislative session 1 = yes 0 = no	
Dem_Pres	Binary	Democratic President during legislative session 1 = yes 0 = no	
Note	Text	Additional information about bill. Often explanation for why measure did not move forward	
LCV Vote Link	Text	Link to LCV Scorecard Vote	
Log_challenger	Numeric	Log contributions to the incumbent's challenger	
Log_incumbemt	Numeric	Log contributions to the incumbent's campaign	
Pres_vote	Numeric	Percent of vote president received in the district	
Percent_vote	Numeric	Percent of the vote the representative received in their district	

Percent_white	Numeric	Percent of district ethnicity/race	
Percent_black	Numeric	Percent of district ethnicity/race	
Percent_AIAN	Numeric	Percent of district ethnicity/race	
Percent_Asian	Numeric	Percent of district ethnicity/race	
Percent_HawaiiPI	Numeric	Percent of district ethnicity/race	
Percent_Hisp	Numeric	Percent of district ethnicity/race	
Percent_male	Numeric	Percent of district ethnicity/race	
Median_age	Numeric	Median age of district	
Percent_unemployed	Numeric	Percent of district unemployed	
Percent_extractive	Numeric	Percent of district who work in agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining sectors	
Percent_poverty	Numeric	Percent of district living below the poverty line	
Senate_election	Binary	Dummy variable for if the state also held a senate election that year	
Pres_election	Binary	Dummy variable for if there was also a presidential election that year	
Gov_election	Binary	Dummy variable for if the state also held a governor election that year	
Disaster_1yr	Integer	Number of FEMA disasters declared in the district in the past year	
cum_disaster_2yr	Integer	Number of FEMA disasters declared in the district in the past 2 years	
cum_disaster_4yr	Integer	Number of FEMA disasters declared in	

		the district in the past 4 years	
cum_disaster_6yr	Integer	Number of FEMA disasters declared in the district in the past 6 years	