Appendix: Portfolio Importance Scores in the Fifth French Republic (1959-2014)

Post	Mean	St. Dev.	S.E.	N
Prime Minister	0.078	0.022	0.004	37
No portfolio	0.070	0.007	0.003	6
Algerian Affairs	0.063	0.000	0.000	1
Justice	0.062	0.020	0.003	38
Defence/Army	0.053	0.015	0.003	36
Foreign	0.052	0.018	0.003	40
Interior	0.047	0.021	0.003	39
Education	0.038	0.015	0.002	39
Relations with Parliament	0.038	0.016	0.003	24
Overseas	0.037	0.017	0.003	25
Culture	0.034	0.025	0.004	32
Social Affairs	0.033	0.021	0.005	17
Environment	0.031	0.012	0.002	28
Cooperation	0.030	0.021	0.005	21
Planning	0.029	0.010	0.003	9
Immigration	0.029	0.012	0.007	3
Solidarity	0.028	0.015	0.004	14
Agriculture	0.028	0.014	0.002	37
Constructions	0.027	0.002	0.001	3
Reforms	0.026	0.024	0.005	20
Economy	0.026	0.009	0.001	40
Privatization	0.025	0.001	0.001	2
European Affairs	0.025	0.009	0.002	22
Budget	0.025	0.010	0.002	23
Finance	0.024	0.008	0.001	39
Foreign Trade	0.024	0.011	0.003	20
Spatial Planning	0.023	0.012	0.002	34
Security	0.023	0.004	0.002	5
Veterans	0.023	0.006	0.001	20
Industry	0.023	0.008	0.001	39
Energy	0.022	0.013	0.006	5
Research & Technology	0.022	0.009	0.001	36
Health	0.022	0.010	0.002	30
School Education	0.022	0.007	0.004	4
Post & Telecommunications	0.022	0.007	0.002	21
Transports	0.021	0.015	0.003	31
Labour	0.021	0.009	0.002	31
Women	0.021	0.013	0.004	10
Civil Service	0.020	0.014	0.003	21
Integration	0.020	0.011	0.004	9

Public Works	0.020	0.012	0.002	27
Decentralization	0.020	0.009	0.002	20
University	0.019	0.007	0.002	15
City	0.019	0.008	0.002	13
Atomic / Space Affairs	0.019	0.009	0.003	10
Information / Communication	0.019	0.005	0.001	26
Family	0.018	0.011	0.004	9
Housing	0.017	0.006	0.001	29
Employment	0.017	0.009	0.002	20
Leisure	0.017	0.007	0.004	3
Development	0.016	0.012	0.004	10
Humanitarian Action	0.016	0.001	0.001	2
Population	0.016	0.006	0.002	8
Sports	0.015	0.007	0.001	23
Fisheries	0.015	0.007	0.002	11
Social Cohesion	0.015	0.003	0.001	4
Urbanism	0.015	0.006	0.003	5
Elderly	0.015	0.007	0.003	4
Training	0.014	0.006	0.002	11
Forestry	0.014	0.004	0.002	6
Francophony	0.014	0.006	0.002	9
Youth	0.014	0.004	0.001	22
Social Economy	0.013	0.004	0.003	2
Repatriates	0.013	0.012	0.008	2
Tourism	0.013	0.004	0.001	19
Sea	0.013	0.007	0.002	10
Numeric Economy	0.013	0.006	0.003	4
Spokesperson	0.012	0.003	0.001	13
Trade	0.012	0.004	0.001	23
Food	0.012	0.002	0.001	10
Handicrafts	0.012	0.004	0.001	22
Disabled	0.011	0.005	0.002	5
Youth Employment	0.011	0.004	0.003	2
Diaspora	0.010	0.003	0.002	2
Consumer	0.010	0.004	0.002	3
Small & Medium Enterprises	0.009	0.002	0.001	6

Note: Scores determined using the Exp_50 function.