Party Reputations and Policy Priorities: How Issue Ownership Shapes Executive and Legislative Agendas

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MAIN DATASETS

BJPOLS_Data_US.dta

BJPOLS_Data_UK.dta

BJPOLS_Data_UK_Pooled.dta

Reference

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Replication data for the United States analyses

Dataset

Filename	BJPOLS_Data_US.dta

List of variables

year	Calendar year
majortopic	Issue topic 1 Economy, Business & Trade 2 Rights & Minorities 3 Health 4 Labor, Employment & Immigration 5 Education 6 Environment 7 Law & Order 8 Welfare & Housing 9 Defense 10 Foreign Affairs 11 Government
speechshare_	State of the Union address: percentage of the policy agenda, across 11 issues
milawsshare_	Most important laws: percentage of the policy agenda across 11 issues
pelectioncycle	Presidential election cycle (four year terms, e.g. 2009-2012)
electioncycle	Congressional election cycle (two year terms, e.g. 1985-1986)
rank_gov_lcompetence_	Rank of mean handling rating on issue, in the previous election cycle, for party that controls the White House (12-*k* to 11, where *k* = number of topics on which handling ratings are available during that election cycle)
rank_cong_lcompetence_	Rank of mean handling rating on issue, in the previous election cycle, for party that controls the House of Representatives (12-*k* to 11, where *k* = number of topics on which handling ratings re available during that election cycle)
mipshare_int_	Most important problem (MIP): percentage of responses for each issue
mip_rankcomp_	MIP x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (president's party)

	[mipshare_int_ x rank_gov_lcompetence_]
mip_congrankcomp_	MIP x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (majority party in House) [mipshare_int_ x rank_cong_lcompetence_]
gov_vote	Vote intention for president's party in generic Congressional ballot
vot_rankcomp_	Vote intention x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (president's party) [gov_vote x rank_gov_lcompetence_]
cong_gov_vote	Vote intention for majority party (House) in generic Congressional ballot
vot_congrankcomp_	Vote intention x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (majority party in House) [cong_gov_vote x rank_cong_lcompetence_]
divided	Divided government: equal to 1 if the presidency and the House are controlled by a different party and 0 if they are controlled by the same party
mip_div_	MIP x Divided Government [mipshare_int_ x divided]
rankcomp_div_	Divided government x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (president's party) [divided x rank_gov_lcompetence_]
mip_rankcomp_div_	MIP x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (president's party) x Divided Government [mipshare_int_ x rank_gov_lcompetence_ x divided]
congrankcomp_div_	Divided government x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (majority party in House) [divided x rank_cong_lcompetence_]
mip_congrankcomp_div_	MIP x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (majority party in House) x Divided government [mipshare_int_ x rank_cong_lcompetence_ x divided]
std_gov_lcompetence_	Standardised mean handling rating on issue, in previous election cycle, for party that controls the White House (mean ratings standardised across issues in a given election cycle)
std_cong_lcompetence_	Standardised mean handling rating on issue, in previous election cycle, for party that controls the House of Representatives (mean ratings standardised across issues in a given election cycle)

stdcomp_div_	Standardised mean handling rating (president's party) x Divided Government [std_gov_lcompetence_ x divided]
congstdcomp_div_	Standardised mean handling rating (majority party in House) x Divided Government [std_cong_lcompetence_ x divided]
mip_stdcomp_	MIP x Standardised mean handling rating (president's party) [mipshare_int_ x std_gov_lcompetence_]
mip_stdcomp_div_	MIP x Standardised mean handling rating (president's party) x Divided Government [mipshare_int_ x std_gov_lcompetence_ x divided]
mip_congstdcomp_	MIP x Standardised mean handling rating (majority party in House) [mipshare_int_ x std_cong_lcompetence_]
mip_congstdcomp_div_	MIP x Standardised mean handling rating (majority party in House) x Divided Government [mipshare_int_ x std_cong_lcompetence_ x divided]
vot_stdcomp_	Vote intention x Standardised mean handling rating (president's party) [cong_gov_vote x std_gov_lcompetence_]
vot_congstdcomp_	Vote intention x Standardised mean handling rating (majority party in House) [cong_gov_vote x std_cong_lcompetence_]
gov_lead_lcompetence_	Lead on mean handling rating (president's party)
mip_leadcomp_	MIP x Lead on mean handling rating (president's party) [mipshare_int_ x gov_lead_lcompetence_]
vot_leadcomp_	Vote intention x Lead on mean handling rating (president's party) [gov_vote x gov_lead_lcompetence_]
leadcomp_div_	Lead on mean handling rating (president's party) x Divided Government [gov_lead_lcompetence_ x divided]
mip_leadcomp_div_	MIP x Lead on mean handling rating (president's party) x Divided Government [mipshare_int_ x gov_lead_lcompetence_ x divided]
cong_lead_lcompetence_	Lead on mean handling rating (majority party in House)

mip_congleadcomp_	MIP x Lead on mean handling rating (majority party in House) [mipshare_int_ x cong_lead_lcompetence_]
vot_congleadcomp_	Vote intention x Lead on mean handling rating (majority party in House) [cong_gov_vote x cong_lead_lcompetence_]
congleadcomp_div_	Lead on mean handling rating (majority party in House) x Divided Government [cong_lead_lcompetence_ x divided]
mip_congleadcomp_div_	MIP x Lead on mean handling rating (majority party in House) x Divided Government [mipshare_int_ x cong_lead_lcompetence_ x divided]

Replication data for the United Kingdom analyses

Dataset

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List of variables

year	Calendar year
majortopic	Issue topic 1 Economy, Business & Trade 2 Rights & Minorities 3 Health 4 Labor, Employment & Immigration 5 Education 6 Environment 7 Law & Order 8 Welfare & Housing 9 Defense 10 Foreign Affairs 11 Government
speechshare_	Queen's Speech: percentage of the policy agenda, across 11 issues
execspeechshare_	Queen's Speech (executive section): percentage of the policy agenda, across 11 issues
legispeechshare_	Queen's Speech (legislative section): percentage of the policy agenda, across 11 issues
ma_speechshare_	Queen's Speech (3 year moving average): percentage of the policy agenda, across 11 issues
ma_legispeechshare_	Queen's Speech (legislative section, 3 year moving average): percentage of the policy agenda, across 11 issues
lawsshare_	Acts of Parliament: percentage of the policy agenda across 11 issues
electioncycle	Election cycle
rank_gov_lcompetence_	Rank of mean handling rating on issue, in the previous election cycle, for party in government (12-*k* to 11, where *k* = number of topics on which handling ratings are available during that election cycle)

mipshare_int_	Most important problem (MIP): percentage of responses for each issue
mip_rankcomp_	MIP x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (governing party) [mipshare_int_ x rank_gov_lcompetence_]
gov_vote	Vote intention for governing party
vot_rankcomp_	Vote intention x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (governing party) [gov_vote x rank_gov_lcompetence_]
std_gov_lcompetence_	Standardised mean handling rating on issue, in previous election cycle, for party in government (mean ratings standardised across issues in a given election cycle)
mip_stdcomp_	MIP x Standardised mean handling rating (governing party) [mipshare_int_ x std_gov_lcompetence_]
vot_stdcomp_	Vote intention x Standardised mean handling rating (governing party) [gov_vote x std_gov_lcompetence_]
gov_lead_lcompetence_	Lead on mean handling rating (governing party)
mip_leadcomp_	MIP x Lead on mean handling rating (governing party) [mipshare_int_ x gov_lead_lcompetence_]
vot_leadcomp_	Vote intention x Lead on mean handling rating (governing party) [gov_vote x gov_lead_lcompetence_]

Replication data for the United Kingdom (Pooled) analyses

Dataset

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List of variables

year	Calendar year
newmajortopic	Issue topic (Queen's Speech 1-12; Acts of Parliament 13-24) 1 Economy, Business & Trade 2 Rights & Minorities 3 Health 4 Labor, Employment & Immigration 5 Education 6 Environment 7 Law & Order 8 Welfare & Housing 9 Defense 10 Foreign Affairs 11 Government 12 Other 13 Acts of Parliament: Economy, Business & Trade 14 Rights & Minorities 15 Health 16 Labor, Employment & Immigration 17 Education 18 Environment 19 Law & Order 20 Welfare & Housing 21 Defense 22 Foreign Affairs 23 Government 24 Other

agendashare_	Queen's Speech and Acts of Parliament: percentage of the combined policy agenda, across 2 venues and 11 issues (2 x 11)
electioncycle	Election cycle
rank_gov_lcompetence_	Rank of mean handling rating on issue, in the previous election cycle, for party in government (12-*k* to 11, where *k* = number of topics on which handling ratings are available during that election cycle)
mipshare_int_	Most important problem (MIP): percentage of responses for each issue
mip_rankcomp_	MIP x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (governing party) [mipshare_int_ x rank_gov_lcompetence_]
gov_vote	Vote intention for governing party
vot_rankcomp_	Vote intention x Rank of mean handing rating on issue (governing party) [gov_vote x rank_gov_lcompetence_]