

Electoral, Legislative, and Government Strength of Political Parties by Ideological Group in Capitalist Democracies, 1950-2006: A Database.

Code Book.

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COID	Country identifier: 1 for Australia, 2 for Austria, 3 for Belgium, 4 for Canada, 5 for Denmark, 6 for Finland, 7 for France, 8 for West Germany, 9 for Ireland, 10 for Italy, 11 for Japan, 12 for Netherlands, 13 for New Zealand, 14 for Norway, 15 for Sweden, 16 for Switzerland, 17 for the United Kingdom, 18 for the United States, 19 for Greece, 20 for Portugal, and 21 for Spain.
YEAR	1950 to 2006.
ELECTY	Election year; Dummy variable coded 1.00 for years in which elections occurred; otherwise, 0.00. Source: Mackie and Rose. For the United States, both Congressional and Presidential election years are coded; for Fifth Republic France, both Presidential and National Assembly elections are coded. For all other nations, national elections to the lower chamber of the national legislature are coded 1.00.
ELMON	Month of election denoted by ELECT1 (1...12). (If more than one election is held in a given year, ELMON and ELDAY code the first of these multiple elections.
ELDAY	Day of month of election denoted by ELECT1 (1...31).
LEFTC	Left party cabinet portfolios as a percent of all cabinet portfolios. Source (for portfolios): Eric Browne and John Dreijmanis, <i>Government Coalitions in Western Democracies</i> , (Longman, 1982); Keesings Contemporary Archives (selected years). ¹ When cabinet changes or elections occur during the course of a year, all

¹. Classifications of parties correspond, for the most part, with those of Castles and Mair (1984). Modifications to their schema have been made for some countries and, most importantly, for early or the most recent years of coverage. See party identification appendix to the codebook. Annual

variables are weighted: parties are given percentages of portfolios, seats, and votes by quarter and annual averages are computed.

LEFTGS	Left governing party seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Sources: Browne and Keesings (for governing parties), and (for seats) Mackie and Rose, <u>International Almanac of Electoral History</u> (1974); Mackie and Rose updates in <u>European Journal of Political Research</u> (selected years).
LEFTS	Left party legislative seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Source (for seats): Mackie and Rose (1974; selected years). (For the United States, non-southern Democratic seats are reported for Left seats.)
LEFTV	Left party votes as a percent of total votes. Source (for votes): Mackie and Rose (1974; selected years).
RIGHTC	Right party cabinet portfolios as a percent of all cabinet portfolios. Source: Same as LEFTC.
RIGHTGS	Right governing party seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Source: same as LEFTGS.
RIGHTS	Right party legislative seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Source: Same as LEFTS. RIGHTV Right party votes as a percent of all votes. Source: Same as LEFTV.
RIGHTV	Right party votes as a percent of total votes. Source: same as for LEFTV.
TCDEMC	Total Christian Democratic party cabinet portfolios as a percent of all cabinet net portfolios. Source: Same as LEFTC.
TCDEMGS	Total Christian Democratic governing party seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Source: Same as LEFTGS.
TCDEMS	Total Christian Democratic party seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Source: Same as LEFTS.
TCDEMV	Total Christian Democratic party votes as a percent of all votes. Source: Same as LEFTV.

percentages of cabinet portfolios, seats and votes for ideological groups are averages of quarterly percentages.

MCDEMC	Centrist Christian Democratic cabinet portfolios as a percent of all cabinet portfolios. Source: Same as LEFTC.
MCDEMGS	Centrist Christian Democratic governing party seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Source: Same as LEFTGS.
MCDEMS	Centrist Christian Democratic party seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Source: Same as LEFTS.
MCDEM V	Centrist Christian Democratic party votes as a percent of all votes. Source: Same as LEFTV.
CENTC	Center party cabinet portfolios as a percent of all portfolios. Source: Same as LEFTC.
CENTGS	Center governing party seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Source: Same as LEFTGS.
CENTS	Center party seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Source: Same as LEFTV.
CENTV	Center party votes as a percent of all votes. Source: Same as LETV.
RWPC	Percentage of cabinet portfolios in national government held by right-wing populist parties (as defined by Betz, 1994, and list below in Appendix A1). Source: same as cabinet shares above.
RWPGS	Right-wing populist governing party seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Source: Same as LEFTGS.
RWPSEAT	Percentage of seats in lower chamber of national parliament held by right-wing populist parties (as defined by Betz, 1994, and list below in Appendix A1). Source: same as seats above.
RWPVOTE	Percentage of national vote for right-wing populist parties in elections to lower chamber. Source: same as votes above
LLC	Percentage of cabinet portfolios in national government held by left libertarian (“new left”) parties (as defined by Kitschelt, 1994, and list below in Appendix A1). Source: same as cabinet shares above.
LLGS	Left libertarian governing party seats as a percent of all legislative seats. Source: Same as LEFTGS.

LLSEAT Percentage of seats (lower chamber) for left-libertarian parties (as defined by Kitschelt, 1994, and various miscellaneous works). Source: same as above.

LLVOTE Percentage of votes (lower chamber) for left-libertarian parties. Source: same as above.

CODEBOOK FOR 21-NATION POOLED TIME-SERIES DATA SET
APPENDIX A1: Party Classifications by Country (Country ID in Parentheses)

Sources: (1) Francis Castles and Peter Mair, "Left-Right Political Scales: Some 'Expert' Judgments," *European Journal of Political Research* 12 (1984): 73-88. (2) *Political Handbook of the World* (New York: McGraw-Hill, selected years.) (3) Country specific sources (studies of national party systems, party manifestos, etc...)

Categories: **Left**: communist; socialist, social democratic, and labor; and other various left-wing parties (e.g., left-libertarian parties); **Right**: far-right (e.g., neo-fascist, right-wing populist), classical liberal, conservative Christian Democratic, and other various right-wing parties; **Centrist Christian Democratic** (Centrist CD): non-conservative Catholic parties; **Secular Center** (Secular Cent): non-catholic parties of the center. The data set also includes a **total Christian Democratic** party category and all variables for **Radical Right-Wing Populist** and **Left-Libertarian** parties. (These parties are systematically listed in a separate section below.)

Major, Established Parties in Each Category by Country:

(1) Australia:

Left:	Labor, Communist, Australia Party
Right:	Liberal, Country (National Country), One Nation
Centrist CD:	none
Secular Cent:	Australian Democrats

(2) Austria:²

Left:	Socialist, Communist, Greens
Right:	Freedom Party
Centrist CD:	People's Party
Secular Cent:	none

(3) Belgium:

Left:	Socialists, Communists, Ecologists
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² Classifications of parties are generally based on Castles and Mair's schema. However, for many countries some parties that existed in earlier (or more recent) years are not covered by Castles and Mair's rankings. Moreover, occasionally Castle's and Mair's rankings place a party in a grey area between party types. In these instances, alternative sources noted above were used to make classifications. Some party categories for some countries contain (unlisted) miscellaneous small parties and parties that were the precursors or successors of those listed. Generally, if a party received more than two percent of the vote in two consecutive national elections, it has been included in computations and analyses.

Right: Liberals, People's Union (Volksunie)
Centrist CD: Christian Social/People's Party
Secular Cent: Democratic Front for Francophones, Walloon Rally

(4) Canada:

Left: New Democratic, Communists
Right: Progressive Conservative, Social Credit, Reform Party
Centrist CD: none
Secular Cent: Liberals, Quebec Nationalist

(5) Denmark:

Left: Left Socialists, Communists, Socialist People's, Social Democrats
Right: Venstre (Agrarian Liberals), Conservatives, Progress
Centrist CD: Christian People's,
Secular Cent: Radical Liberals, Centre Democrats, Justice Party, Independents

(6) Finland:

Left: People's Democratic League/Communist, Social Democrats, Worker's League/Social Democratic League
Right: Christian League (Christian Dem), National Coalition
Centrist CD: none
Secular Cent: Centre, Liberals, Rural, Swedish People's, Progressive

(7) France:

Left: Communists, Socialists, Ecologists, miscellaneous smaller parties (United Socialists, Democratic Socialist Union,)
Right: Union for French Democracy, Rally for the Republic, National Front, miscellaneous smaller and historical parties (Gaullist, Independent Republican ..)
Centrist CD: miscellaneous centrist CD parties, 1950s, 1960s, 1970s (e.g., Popular Republican Movement)
Secular Cent: Left Radicals, miscellaneous parties of 1950s-1970s (e.g., Radical and Radical Socialists)

(8) Germany:

Left: Communist, Social Democrats, Greens, Party of Democratic Socialism

Right: Christian Democratic/Christian Social Union, German Party
Centrist CD: none
Secular Cent: Free Democrats, All-German Bloc

(9) Ireland:

Left: Workers, Labour, Sein Fein-The Workers Party, Clanna
Talmhan, Clanna Pablahta
Right: Fianna Fail, Fine Gail
Centrist CD: Progressive Democrats
Secular Cent: none

(10) Italy:

Pre-1994:

Left: Communists, Radicals, Socialists, miscellaneous smaller parties
(Social Party of Italian Workers)
Right: Social Movement/ National Right, Monarchists
Centrist CD: Christian Democrats
Secular Cent: Liberals, Republicans, Social Democrats

Post-1994:

Left: The Olive Tree/Party of the Democratic Left (Left Democrats);
Greens; Refounded Communists (RC); Party of Italian Communists
(PDCI); Italian Democratic Socialists (SDI)
Right: Christian Democratic Center (a Christian Democratic party); Forza
Italia (Go Italy!); National Alliance; Lega Nord; Radical Party
(Pannella List)
Centrist CD: Italian Populist Party, Union of Republican Democrats
Secular Centrist: Italian Renewal Party/Dini List; Democratic Union

(11) Japan:

Left: Communists, Socialists, Democratic Socialists
Right: Liberal Democrats, New Liberal Club
Centrist CD: none
Secular Cent: Fair Play, Clean Government

(12) Netherlands:

Left: Labor, Communists, Radicals
Right: Liberals, Anti-Revolutionary, Christian Historical Union
Centrist CD: Christian Democratic Appeal/Accord
Secular Cent: Democrats '66

(13) New Zealand:

Left: Labour, Communist, Values Party (Greens)
Right: National, New Zealand Party, New Zealand First
Centrist CD: none
Secular Cent: Social Credit

(14) Norway:

Left: Labour, Communists, Left Socialists
Right: Conservatives, Progress
Centrist CD: Christian People's
Secular Cent: Centre, Liberals, New People's Party, Non-Socialist Joint Lists

(15) Sweden:

Left: Communists, Social Democrats
Right: Conservatives/Moderates
Centrist CD: Christian Democrats
Secular Cent: Agrarian/Centre, People's/Liberal

(16) Switzerland:

Left: Social Democrats, miscellaneous smaller parties
Right: Christian Democrats, miscellaneous smaller parties
Centrist CD: none
Secular Cent: Free Democrats, Swiss People's, Independents, misc. smaller parties

(17) United Kingdom:

Left: Labour
Right: Conservatives
Centrist CD: none
Secular Cent: Liberals, Social Democrats

(18) United States:

Left: none
Right: Republicans
Centrist CD: none
Secular Cent: Democrats

(19) Greece

Left: Panhellenic Socialist Movement (PASOK), Communist Party of Greece, Greek Left, Progressive Left Coalition, Green Lists, Ecologists Alternative
Right: New Democracy, Political Spring, National Political Union, National Party, National Alignment, National Front
Centrist CD: Christian Democrats
Secular Cent: Union of the Center

(20) Portugal

Left: Portugese Socialist Party, Portugese Communist Party, Democratic Renewal Party, Portugese Democratic Movement, United Democratic Coalition/People's Alliance, Popular Democratic Union, Greens
Right: Social Democratic Center Party/Popular Party (CD party), Christian Democratic Party (CD party)
Centrist CD: none
Secular Cent: Social Democrats (PSD)

(21) Spain

Left: Socialist Party (PSOE), United Left, Communist Party, Herri Batasuna, Green List, Ecologic Greens, misc. small parties
Right: CD: Union of Democratic Center/Democratic and Social Center
Secular: Popular Party, Basque Nationalist Party, Aragonese Regionalist Party, misc. small parties
Centrist CD: Convergence and Union (CiU)
Secular Cent: Catalan Republicans and Center Parties

Major Right-Wing Populist Parties by Country (more traditional neo-fascist parties not included.) Data set country ID in parentheses.

- (1) Australia: One Nation
- (2) Austria: Freedom Party
- (3) Belgium: Vlaams Block; National Front

- (4) Canada: Reform Party
- (5) Denmark: Progress Party
- (6) Finland: none
- (7) France: National Front
- (8) Germany: Republicans
- (9) Ireland: none
- (10) Italy: Lega Nord
- (11) Japan: none
- (12) Netherlands: none
- (13) New Zealand: New Zealand First
- (14) Norway: Progress Party
- (15) Sweden: New Democracy
- (16) Switzerland: Automobile/Swiss Moterist Party, League of Tessins
- (17) United Kingdom: none
- (18) United States: none
- (19) Greece: none
- (20) Portugal: none
- (21) Spain: none

Major Left-Libertarian Parties by Country. Data set country ID in parentheses.

- (1) Australia: (national association of regional) Greens
- (2) Austria: United Greens, Green Alternative
- (3) Belgium: Ecologists, Live Differently (Agalev)
- (4) Canada: Green Party
- (5) Denmark: Socialist People's Party, Green Party
- (6) Finland: Green League, Ecology Party
- (7) France: Greens, Ecologists
- (8) Germany: Greens (Alliance 90/Greens), Ecologists
- (9) Ireland: Greens
- (10) Italy: Greens, Radical Party
- (11) Japan: Ecology Party
- (12) Netherlands: Green Progressive Accord/Green Left (Pacifist Socialists, Radical, Communist Parties), The Greens
- (13) New Zealand: Values Party/Green Party
- (14) Norway: Socialist People's/Left Party, Greens, People's List for Environment and Solidarity
- (15) Sweden: Greens
- (16) Switzerland: Progressives, Greens, Alternative Greens
- (17) United Kingdom: Ecology/Green Party
- (18) United States: Green Party
- (19) Greece: Green Lists, Ecologists Alternative
- (20) Portugal: Greens
- (21) Spain: Green List (LV), Ecologic Greens (LVE)

CODEBOOK FOR 18-NATION POOLED TIMES SERIES DATA SET

APPENDIX: COMPOSITION OF GOVERNMENTS, 1950-1992 (POST-1992 in *EJPR* “Political Data Yearbooks” as indicated below).

Guide: Composition of governments from 1950 to 1992 are displayed; for governments from 1993 to 2006, composition is the same as listed in “Political Data Handbook” published in European Journal of Political Research, 1994-2003. For coalition governments, the number of cabinet portfolios held by each party in government is in parentheses. When only one party is in government, total portfolios are not reported. Parties grouped together and separated by a "/" represent different branches of the same party, the same party with different names over time, or two distinct parties that share a cabinet portfolio on a rotating basis [e.g., Liberal/Christian Social (1)]. Changes in government that involve only chief executive but not the distribution of portfolios among parties are not reflected below.

Sources: Eric Browne and John Dreijmanis, eds., Government Coalitions in Western Democracies (New York: Longman, 1982); and Keesings Publications, Keesings Contemporary Archives (selected numbers); Political Data, 1945-90; Political Data Yearbook, special issues to the European Journal of Political Research, 1991-95.

1993-2006 governments for all countries are identical to those listed in “Political Data Handbook” European Journal of Political Research.

Australia:

Liberal from beginning of period(1-1-50) to 5-16-51
Liberal/Country from 5-16-51 to 12-18-72
Labour from 12-18-72 to 11-12-75
Liberal/Country from 11-12-75 to 4-3-83
Labour from 4-3-83 through end of period (1992)

Austria:

People's (6), Socialists (5) from beginning of period to 10-28-52
People's (6), Socialists (4), Nonpartisan (1) from 10-28-52 to 6-29-56
People's (7), Socialists (5) from 6-29-56 to 7-16-59
People's (6), Socialists (6) from 7-16-59 to 4-19-66
People's (all) from 4-19-66 to 4-21-70
Socialists (all) from 4-21-70 to 5-24-83
Socialists (12), Freedom (3) from 5-24-83 to 5-9-86
Socialists (13), Freedom (3) from 5-9-86 to 1-14-87
Socialists (8), People's (8), Non-partisan (1) from 1-14-87 to 12-17-90

Socialists (8), People's (7), Non-partisan (1) from 12-17-90 to end

Belgium:

Christian Social (8), Socialist (6) from beginning of period to 6-8-50
Christian Social (14) from 6-8-50 to 8-15-50
Christian Social (14), Non-partisan (1) from 8-15-50 to 1-15-52
Christian Social (13), Non-partisan (1) from 1-15-52 to 4-23-54
Socialist (9), Liberal (7) from 4-23-54 to 6-26-58
Christian Social (15), Non-partisan (1) from 6-16-58 to 11-6-58
Christian Social (11), Liberal (6) from 11-6-58 to 4-24-61
Christian Social (10), Socialist (6) from 4-25-61 to 3-19-66
Christian Social (10), Liberal (6) from 3-19-66 to 6-17-68
Christian Social (9), Socialist (7) from 6-17-68 to 1-21-72
Christian Social (8), Socialist (7) from 1-21-72 to 1-26-73
Christian Social (5), Socialist (7), Liberal (4) from 1-26-73 to 4-25-74
Christian Social (10), Liberal (5), Liberal/Christian Social (1) from
4-25-74 to 6-3-77
Christian Social (8), Socialist (6), People's Union (1) from 6-3-77 to 4-3-79
Christian Social (9), Socialist (5), Democratic Front for Francophones (1) from
4-3-79 to 1-23-80
Christian Social (9), Socialist (6) from 1-23-80 to 5-18-80
Christian Social (6), Socialist (6), Liberal (3) from 5-18-80 to 10-22-80
Christian Social (8), Socialist (7) from 10-22-80 to 12-17-81
Christian Social (8), Liberal (7) from 12-17-81 to 5-2-1988
Socialists (9), Christian Social (8), Volksunie (2) from 5-2-88 to 10-3-91
Socialists (9), Christian Social (8) from 10-3-91 to 3-13-92
Socialists (8), Christian Social (7) from 3-13-92 to end

Canada:

Liberal from beginning of period to 6-18-57
Progressive Conservatives from 6-18-57 to 4-22-63
Liberals from 4-22-63 to 6-4-79
Progressive Conservatives from 6-4-79 to 3-3-80
Liberals from 3-3-80 to 9-17-84
Progressive Conservatives from 9-17-84 to end of period

Denmark:

Social Democrats (All) from beginning of period to 10-30-50
Liberals (7), Conservatives (8) from 10-30-50 to 9-30-53
Social Democrats (All) from 9-30-53 to 5-28-57

Social Democrats (12), Radical Liberals (6), Justice Party (2) from 5-28-57 to 2-21-60
 Social Democrats (11), Radical Liberal (5), Justice (1) from 2-21-60 to 11-18-60
 Social Democrat (10), Radical Liberal (4), Non-partisan (1) from 11-18-60 to 9-3-62
 Social Democrat (12), Radical Liberal (5), Non-partisan (1) from 9-3-62 to 9-26-64
 Social Democrat (All) from 9-26-64 to 2-2-68
 Liberal (7), Conservative (6), Radical Liberal (8) from 2-2-68 to 9-27-71
 Social Democrat (All) from 9-27-71 to 12-19-73
 Liberal (All) from 12-19-73 to 2-13-75
 Social Democrat (all) from 2-13-75 to 8-30-78
 Social Democrat (14), Liberal (7) from 8-30-78 to 10-26-79
 Social Democrat (All) from 10-26-79 to 10-9-82
 Liberal (8), Conservative (8), Centre Democrat (4), Christian (1) from 10-9-82 to
 9-10-87
 Conservatives (9), Venstre (8), Center Democrats (3), Christian
 People's (2) from 9-10-87 to 6-3-88
 Conservatives (9), Venstre (7), Rad Libs (5) from 6-3-88 to 12-17-89
 Conservatives (10), Venstre (9) from 12-17-89 to end of period

Finland:

Social Democrats (All) to 3-17-50
 Center (10), Swedish People's (3), Liberal (2) from 3-17-50 to 1-17-50
 Social Democrat (7), Center (7), Swedish People's (2), Liberal (1) from 1-17-50
 9-20-50
 Social Democrat (7), Center (7), Swedish People's (2), Non-partisan (1) from 9-20-51
 to 7-9-53
 Center (8), Swedish People's (3), Non-partisan (3) from 7-9-53 to 11-17-53
 Swedish People's (2), Liberal (3), National Coalition (4), Non-partisa (6) from
 11-17-53 to 5-5-54
 Social Democrat (6), Centre (6), Swedish People's (1), Non-partisan (1) from 5-5-54
 to 10-20-54
 Social Democrat (7), Centre (6), Non-partisan (1) from 10-20-54 to 3-3-56
 Social Democrat (6), Centre (6) Swedish People's (1), Liberal (1), Non-partisan (1)
 from 3-3-56 to 5-27-57
 Center (6), Swedish People's (3), Liberal (3), Non-partisan (1) from 5-27-57 to
 11-29-57
 Social Democrat (3), Centre (4), Non-partisan (7) from 11-29-57 to 4-26-58
 Social Democrats (4), Centre (5), Liberal (1), Non-partisan (4) from 4-26-58 to
 8-29-58
 Social Democrats (5), Centre (5), Swedish People's (1), Liberal (1), National
 Coalition (3) from 8-29-58 to 1-13-59
 Centre (14), Non-partisan (1) from 1-13-59 to 7-14-61
 Centre (12), Non-partisan (3) from 7-14-61 to 4-13-62

Centre (5), Swedish People's (2), Liberal (2), National Coalition (3), Non-partisan (3) from 4-13-62 to 12-18-63

Social Democrats (1), Swedish People's (1), Non-partisan (12) from 12-18-63 to 9-12-64

Centre (7), Swedish People's (2), Liberal (2), National Coalition (3), Non-partisan (1) from 9-12-64 to 5-27-66

Communist (3), Workers League (1), Social Democrats (6), Centre (5) from 5-17-66 to 3-22-68

Communist (3), Workers League (1), Social Democrats (6), Centre (4), Swedish People's (1) from 3-22-68 to 5-14-70

Social Democrats (3), Centre (3), Swedish People's (1), National Coalition (1), Non-partisan (4) from 5-14-70 to 7-14-70

Communist (3), Social Democrats (5), Centre (4), Swedish People's (2), Liberal (2), Non-partisan (1) from 7-14-70 to 10-29-71

Social Democrat (3), Centre (3), Swedish People's (1), Liberal (1), National Coalition (1), Non-partisan (6) from 10-29-71 to 2-2-72

Social Democrats (17) from 2-2-72 to 9-4-72

Social Democrats (7), Centre (5), Swedish People's (2), Liberal (1), Non-partisan (1) from 9-4-72 to 6-13-75

Social Democrat (6), Centre (2), Swedish People's (1), Liberal (1), National Coalition (1), Non-partisan (6) from 6-13-75 to 11-30-75

Social Democrat (5), Communist (4), Swedish People's (2), Liberal (1), Non-partisan (2) from 11-30-75 to 9-29-76

Centre (9), Swedish People's (3), Liberal (3), Non-partisan (1) from 9-19-76 to 5-15-77

Communist (3), Social Democrat (4), Centre (5), Swedish People's (1), Liberal (1), Non-partisan (1) from 5-15-77 to 5-26-79

Communist (3), Social Democrats (5), Centre (6), Swedish People's (2), Non-partisan (1) from 5-26-79 to 5-28-81

Centre (6), Social Democrat (4), Swedish People's (2), Communist (2) from 5-28-81 to 2-12-82

Centre (5), Social Democrats (6), Swedish People's (2), Non-partisan (1) from 2-18-82 to 5-6-83

Social Democrat (8), Centre (5), Swedish People's (2), Rural (2) from 5-6-83 to 4-30-87

National Coalition (7), Social Democrat (8), Swedish People's Party (2), Rural Party (1) from 4-30-87 to 8-28-90

National Coalition (7), Social Democrat (8), Swedish People's Party (2) from 8-28-90 to 4-26-91

National Coalition (6), Center (8), Swedish People's Party (2), Christian League (1) from 4-26-91 to end

France:(see below for key to party abbreviations)³

PRM (6), RAD (3), PS (5), DSU (2), IND (2) from beginning of period to 2-7-50
PRM (8), RAD (5), DSU (2), IND (3) from 2-7-50 to 7-11-50
PRM (6), RAD (5), PS (5), INDREP (2), UDSR (2) from 7-12-50 to 2-28-51
RS (5), PRM (6), IND (6), DSU (1) from 8-11-51 to 1-7-52
RAD (6), IND (4), PP (2), PRM (4), DSU (2) from 3-8-52 to 12-23-52
PRM (6), RS (5), UDSR (2), INDREP (4), PP (2) from 1-7-53 to 5-21-53
PRM (5), RS (4), UDSR (2), URAS (2) from 6-30-53 to 6-12-54
RS (4), UDSR (2), INDREP (3), PRM (1), Gaullist (3) from 6-18-54 to 2-5-55
PRM (4), RAD (4), Gaullist (4), PP (1), IND (1) from 2-23-55 to 11-29-55
PS (5), RS (3), UDSR (1), DAR (1), Non-partisan (1) from 2-1-56 to 5-21-57
PS (5), RS (5), UDSR (1), DAR (1) from 6-13-57 to 4-15-58
PS (2), PRM (1), Gaullist (1), IND (2), RAD (1), DAR (1), Non-partisan (4) from
5-14-58 to 5-29-58
All Party Government from 6-1-58 to 1-7-59
UNR (8), PRM (4), IND (4), RAD (1), DAR (1), Non-partisan (7) from 1-8-59 to
4-13-62
UNR (10), PRM (5), IND (2), Non-partisan (12) from 4-15-62 to 5-15-62
UNR (12), IND (2), Non-partisan (8) from 5-15-62 to 10-5-62
UNR (12), UDL (2), INDREP (3), Non-partisan (8) from 12-6-62 to 1-8-66
UNR/UDL (15), INDREP (3), Gauche (2), CDP (1), Non-partisan (7) from 1-9-66 to
4-1-67
UNR/UDL (16), INDREP (3), Non-partisan (4) from 4-8-67 to 5-30-68
UDR (11), INDREP (3), Non-partisan (6) from 5-31-68 to 7-11-68
UDR (15), INDREP (3), Non-partisan (1) from 7-12-68 to 6-20-69
UDR (12), INDREP (3), CDP (3) from 6-22-69 to 7-5-72
UDR (14), INDREP (3), CDP (3) from 7-6-72 to 3-28-73
UDR (13), INDREP (4), CDP (2), Non-partisan (3) from 4-2-73 to 2-27-74
UDR (10), INDREP (3), CDP (1), Non-partisan (2) from 2-27-74 to 5-27-74
UDR (5), INDREP (4), CDP (2), RAD (1), REFORM (1), Non-partisan (4) from
5-28-74 to 8-25-76
UDR (5), INDREP (4), RAD (3), CDP (1), PRE-MAJ (5) from 8-27-76 to 5-13-81
PS (25), LR (2), CDP (1) from 5-22-81 to 6-22-81
PS (21), PCF (4), LR (2), CDP (1) from 6-23-81 to 3-22-83
PS (19), LR (1), PCF (4) from 3-23-83 to 7-17-84
PS (21), LR (1), PCF (1) from 7-19-84 to 3-18-86

³ A key to the party abbreviations follows at the end of the listing for French governments. Generally, the table uses current party names and attempts to maintain some comparability to listings in electoral volumes such as Mackie and Rose's, *International Almanac of Electoral History*.

RPR (14), UDF (8) from 3-20-86 to 4-30-87
RPR (15), UDF (7) from 4-30-87 to 5-10-88
PS (19), UDF (2), LR (2), Non-partisan (4) from 5-10-88 to 6-28-88
PS (20), UDF (4), LR (2), Non-partisan (6) from 6-28-88 to 10-2-90
PS (14), Non-partisan (6) 10-2-90 to 5-5-91
PS (16), Green (1), Non-partisan (3) from 5-5-91 to 4-2-92
PS (18), LR (2), Non-partisan (7) 4-2-92 to end

Key for French Parties:

PCF - Communists
PS - Socialists
US - United Socialists
GREEN - Ecologists/Greens
DSU - Democratic Socialist Union
CDP - Democratic Center
PRM - Popular Republican Movement
LR - Left Radicals
RAD - Radical and Radical Socialist Party
UDSR - Union of Democratic and Social Resistance
DAR - Democratic African Rally
LPR - Left Republican Rally
GAUCHE - Gauche Democrats
REFORM - Reform Movement
UDF - Union for French Democracy
RPR - Rally for the Republic
GAULLIST - Gaullist
NF - National Front
IND - Independents
INDREP - Independent Republicans
PP - Peasant Party
UNR - Union of the New Republic
UDR - Union for the Defense of the Republic
UDL - Union of Democratic Labor

Germany (from 10-4-90, united Germany):

Christian Democrats (8), Free Democrats (3), German Party (2) from beginning of period to 9-6-53
Christian Democrats (10), Free Democrats (4), All-German Bloc (2), German Party (2) from 10-20-53 to 9-15-57
Christian Democrats (15), German Party (2) from 10-24-57 to 9-17-61
Christian Democrats (15), Free Democrats (5) from 11-14-61 to 9-19-65

Christian Democrats (17), Free Democrats (4) from 10-26-65 to 10-27-66
Christian Democrats (10), Social Democrats (9) from 12-1-66 to 9-28-69
Social Democrats (11), Free Democrats (3) from 10-22-69 to 11-19-72
Social Democrats (12), Free Democrats (5) from 12-15-72 to 5-7-74
Social Democrats (11), Free Democrats (4) from 5-16-74 to 10-5-80
Social Democrats (12), Free Democrats (4) from 11-5-80 to 10-1-82
Christian Democrats (13), Free Democrats (4) from 10-1-82 to 5-1-83
Christian Democrats (14), Free Democrats (3) from 5-1-83 to 7-1-85
Christian Democrats (15), Free Democrats (3) from 7-1-85 to 6-1-86
Christian Democrats (16), Free Democrats (3) from 6-1-86 to 7-1-87
Christian Democrats (15), Free Democrats (4) from 7-1-87 to 10-4-90
Christian Democrats (20), Free Democrats (5) from 10-4-90 to 1-18-91
Christian Democrats (15), Free Democrats (5) from 1-18-91 to end

Ireland:

Fine Gael (6), Labour (2), Clann na Talmhan (1), Clann na Poblachta (2), National
Labour (1), Independent (1) from beginning of period to 6-13-51
Fianna Fail (all) from 6-13-51 to 6-2-54
Fine Gael (8), Labour (4), Clann na Talmhan (1) from 6-2-54 to 3-20-57
Fianna Fail (all) from 3-20-57 to 3-14-73
Fine Gael (10), Labour (5) from 3-14-73 to 12-11-79
Fianna Fail (all) from 12-11-79 to 6-30-81
Fine Gael (11), Labour (4) from 6-30-81 to 3-9-82
Fianna Fail (all) from 3-9-82 to 12-14-82
Fine Gael (11), Labour (4) from 12-14-82 to 3-10-87
Fianna Fail (All) from 3-10-87 to 7-12-89
Fianna Fail (13), Progressive Democrats (2) 7-12-89 to end (no confidence 11-92)

Italy:

Socialists (3), Republicans (1), Christian Democrats (11), Liberals (2) from beginning
of period to 1-27-50
Socialists (3), Republicans (3), Christian Democrats (13) from 1-27-50 to 7-25-51
Republicans (3), Christian Democrats (14) from 7-25-51 to 8-17-53
Christian Democrats (all) from 8-17-53 to 2-10-54
Christian Democrats (14), Social Democrats (4), Liberal (3) from 2-10-54 to 5-19-57
Christian Democrats (all) from 5-19-57 to 7-1-58
Christian Democrats (17), Social Democrats (4) from 7-1-58 to 2-15-59
Christian Democrats (all) from 2-15-59 to 2-22-62
Christian Democrats (19), Social Democrats (3), Republicans (2) from 2-22-62 to
6-21-63
Christian Democrats (all) from 6-21-63 to 12-4-63

Christian Democrats (16), Socialists (6), Social Democrats (3), Republicans (1) from
 12-4-63 to 6-24-68
 Christian Democrats (all) from 6-24-68 to 12-12-68
 Christian Democrats (17), Socialists (9) from 12-12-68 to 8-5-69
 Christian Democrats (all) from 8-5-69 to 3-27-70
 Christian Democrats (17), Socialists (6), Republicans (1), Social Democrats (3) from
 3-27-70 to 8-6-70
 Christian Democrats (16), Socialists (6), Republican (1), Social Democrats (4) from
 8-6-70 to 6-24-72
 Christian Democrats (17), Social Democrats (5), Liberal (4) from 6-24-72 to 7-7-73
 Christian Democrats (17), Socialists (6), Republicans (2), Social Democrats (4) from
 7-7-73 to 3-15-74
 Christian Democrats (16), Socialists (6), Social Democrat (4) from 3-15-74 to
 11-20-74
 Christian Democrats (20), Republicans (5) from 11-20-74 to 2-11-76
 Christian Democrats (all) from 2-11-76 to 3-21-79
 Christian Democrats (17), Social Democrats (4), Liberals (2) from 8-5-79 to 4-4-80
 Christian Democrat (15), Socialists (7), Republican (3) from 4-4-80 to 10-18-80
 Christian Democrat (14), Socialists (7), Republican (3), Social Democrat (3) from
 10-18-80 to 6-28-81
 Christian Democrat (15), Socialists (7), Republican (2), Social Democrat (2) from
 6-28-81 to 12-11-82
 Christian Democrat (14), Socialist (7), Social Democrat (4), Liberal (2) from
 12-11-82 to 4-22-83
 Christian Democrats (14), Social Democrats (4), Liberal (2) from 4-22-83 to 8-4-83
 Christian Democrats (16), Socialist (6), Social Democrats (2), Republicans (3) from
 8-4-83 to 4-17-87
 Christian Democrats (16), non-partisan (9) from 4-17-87 to 7-29-87
 Christian Democrats (17), Socialists (8), Republicans (3), Liberals (1), Social
 Democrats (3) from 7-29-87 to 4-13-88
 Christian Democrats (16), Socialists (10), Republicans (3), Social Democrats (2),
 Liberals (1) from 4-13-88 to 7-23-89
 Ch. Dem. (15), Soc. (9), Rep. (3), Soc. Dem. (3), Lib. (2) 7-23-89 to 4-19-91
 Ch. Dem. (16), Soc. (10), Soc. Dem. (2), Lib. (2) from 4-19-91 to 7-4-92
 Ch. Dem. (9), Soc. (7), Soc. Dem. (2), Lib. (2), Non-partisan (6) from 7-4-92 to end

Japan:

Liberals (all) from beginning of period to 1954
 Liberal Democrats (all) (the name of Liberal Democratic Party replaced Liberal Party
 in 1954) 1954 to end of period

Netherlands:

Catholic People's (6), Labour (6), Christian Historical Union (2), Liberal (1),
 Non-partisan (1) from beginning of period to 3-15-51
 Catholic People's (4), Labour (7), Christian Historical Union (4), Liberal (1) from
 3-15-51 to 9-1-52
 Catholic People's (5), Labour (6), Christian Historical Union (3), Anti-revolutionary
 (2), Non-partisan (1) from 9-2-51 to 10-13-56
 Catholic People's (4), Labour (7), Christian Historical Union (3), Anti-revolutionary
 (2) from 10-13-56 to 12-22-58
 Catholic People's (8), Christian Historical Union (4), Anti-revolutionary (3) from
 12-22-58 to 5-19-59
 Catholic People's (7), Christian Historical Union (2), Anti-revolutionary (2), Liberal
 (3), Non-partisan (1) from 5-19-59 to 7-24-63
 Catholic People's (7), Liberal (3), Christian Historical Union (2), Anti-revolutionary
 (2) from 7-24-63 to 4-14-65
 Catholic People's (6) Labour (5), Anti-revolutionary (3) from 4-14-65 to 11-22-66
 Catholic People's (7), Anti-revolutionary (7) from 11-22-66 to 4-5-67
 Catholic People's (7), Anti-revolutionary (3), Liberal (3), Christian Historical Union
 (3) from 4-5-67 to 7-6-71
 Catholic People's (6), Anti-revolutionary (2), Liberal (3), Democratic
 Socialist '70 (1.5), Christian Historical Union (.5)⁴ from 7-6-71 to 5-11-73
 Labour (7), Catholic People's (4), Anti-revolutionary (2), Democratic Socialists '70
 (1), Non-partisan (2) from 5-11-73 to 12-19-77
 Christian Democratic Appeal (11), Liberal (6) from 12-19-77 to 5-29-81
 Christian Democratic Appeal (6), Liberal (6), Democrats '66 (3) from 5-19-81 to
 9-11-81
 Christian Democratic Appeal (6), Labour (6), Democrats '66 (3) from 9-11-81 to
 5-30-82
 Christian Democratic Appeal (9), Democrats '66 (5) from 5-30-82 to 11-4-82
 Christian Democratic Appeal (8), Liberals (6) from 11-4-82 to 11-2-89
 Christian Democratic Appeal (7), Labour (7) from 11-2-89 to end

New Zealand:

National from beginning of period to 12-7-72
 Labour from 12-8-72 to 12-11-75
 National from 12-12-75 to 7-16-84
 Labour from 7-17-84 to 11-2-90
 National from 11-2-90 to end

⁴ The Democratic Socialists '70 and the Christian Historical Union shared a cabinet portfolio during this government.

Norway:

Labour (all) from beginning of period to 8-23-63
Conservative (5), Centre (4), Liberal (3), Christian People's (3) from 8-27-63 to 9-24-63
Labour (all) from 9-24-63 to 10-11-65
Conservative (6), Centre (3), Liberal (3), Christian People's (3) from 10-12-65 to 3-2-71
Labour (all) from 3-13-71 to 10-7-72
Centre (6), Liberals (5), Christian People's (4) from 10-18-72 to 10-12-73
Labour (all) from 10-16-73 to 10-12-81
Conservative (all) from 10-14-81 to 6-8-83
Conservative (11), Centre (3), Christian People's (4) from 6-8-83 to 9-26-85
Conservative (11), Centre (4), Christian People's (4) from 9-26-85 to 5-2-86
Labour (all) from 5-9-86 to 10-16-89
Conservative (8), Centre (6), Christian People's (6) 10-16-89 to 11-2-90
Labour (all) 11-2-90 to end

Sweden:

Social Democrats (all) from beginning of period to 10-1-51
Social Democrats (10), Agrarian (4) from 10-1-51 to 4-25-58
Social Democrats (all) from 8-3-58 to 9-20-76
Conservative/Moderate (6), Centre (8), Liberal (5), Non-partisan (1) from 10-8-76 to 10-11-78
Conservative/Moderate (8), Centre (7), Liberal (5) from 10-12-78 to 5-4-81
Centre (10), Liberal (7), Non-partisan (1) from 5-22-81 10-7-82
Social Democrats (all) from 10-8-82 to 10-3-91
Cons./Moderate (9), Centre (3), Ch. Dem. (3), non-partisan (1) from 10-3-91 to end

Switzerland:

Free Democrats (3), Christian Democrats (2), Swiss People's (1), Social Democrats (1) from beginning of period to 1953
Free Democrats (4), Christian Democrats (2), Swiss People's (1) from 1953 to 1954
Free Democrats (3), Christian Democrats (3), Swiss People's (1) from 1954 to 1959
Free Democrats (2), Christian Democrats (2), Swiss People's (1), Social Democrats (2) from 1959 to end of period

United Kingdom:

Labour (all) from beginning of period to 10-26-51
Conservative (all) from 10-26-51 to 10-16-64

Labour (all) from 10-16-64 to 6-19-70
Conservative (all) from 6-19-70 to 3-4-74
Labour (all) from 3-4-74 to 5-4-79
Conservative (all) from 5-4-79 to end of period

United States:

Democrat (all) from beginning of period to 1-53
Republican (all) from 1-53 to 1-61
Democrat (all) from 1-61 to 1-69
Republican (all) from 1-69 to 1-77
Democrat (all) from 1-77 to 1-81
Republican (all) from 1-81 to end of period