

**Liberal and Conservative indicators (codebook)**  
**From: Correlates of State Policy Project, v1.12**

**Liberal or conservative indicators. All variables from**

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**Definitions**

I define liberal and conservative in their current (2017) connotation. This is likely to be a problem, since many of the measures extend back in time. For example, in the early 20th century, the democratic party was in favor of racial segregation. Would this be labeled as “liberal” or “conservative”? Also, these definitions can evolve: for example, “conservatives” in 1980 may have opposed interracial marriage, but do they currently? How much bias should be carried over from the past, and how much should we conflate “conservative” with “republican” (for example, differentiating Republican policy from Libertarian policy, which may be two strands of generally ‘conservative’ thought).

An alternative definition, which I also include, is a very strict “size and scope of government” definition. Any government regulation or law is considered expanding the size or scope of government. For example, both *restricting abortion rights* and *expanding welfare access* would be considered ‘liberal’ here, since the first is increasing the scope of government jurisdiction and the second is increasing the size of government assistance. This is, I think, a more rigorous definition, but it does sacrifice some of the intuitiveness that comes with using a more relevant definition.

For binary indicators, I label the indicator with whatever side a “1” would represent. For continuous or ordinal indicators, I label the indicators with whatever side is represented by an increase.

**Description of fields**

- First definition: Conventional definition based on the intuitive definition of liberal/conservative
- Second definition: Strict size/scope based definition of liberal/conservative
- Binary: Whether or not the variable is binary
- Date Marker: Whether the variable spans the dates of interest (1990-2014).
  - Full = full date range
  - “Connected and Full” = full date range, but spanning over two variables
  - “Watch” = partial date range
  - Pre = data ends prior to date range

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Variable Name	Variable-Short Description	Dates	Variable-Longer Description	First definition	Second definition	Binary	Date Marker
<b>pollib_median</b>	State Policy Liberalism Score – Median	1936 – 2014	Relying on a dynamic latent-variable model to model 148 policies collected over eight decades, the authors produce a yearly measure of the policy liberalism of U.S. states.	NA			

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<b>pollib_lower</b>	State Policy Liberalism Score – Lower Bounds	1936 – 2014	Relying on a dynamic latent-variable model to model 148 policies collected over eight decades, the authors produce a yearly measure of the policy liberalism of U.S. states.	NA			
<b>pollib_upper</b>	State Policy Liberalism Score – Upper Bounds	1936 – 2014	Relying on a dynamic latent-variable model to model 148 policies collected over eight decades, the authors produce a yearly measure of the policy liberalism of U.S. states.	NA			

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<b>pollib_sd</b>	State Policy Liberalism Score – Standard Deviation	1936 – 2014	Relying on a dynamic latent-variable model to model 148 policies collected over eight decades, the authors produce a yearly measure of the policy liberalism of U.S. states.	NA			
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<b>Abortion Policies</b>							
<b>w_ec_access</b>	Access for contraceptives	1974-2014	Can pharmacies dispense emergency contraception without a prescription?	Liberal	Conservative	yes	full
<b>abortion_consent_1973_1991</b>	Forced counseling before abortions	1973-1991	Does the state mandate counseling before an abortion (pre- <i>Casey</i> )?	Conservative	Liberal	yes	connected and full

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<b>abortion_consent_1992_2014</b>	Forced counseling before abortions	1992-2014	Does the state mandate counseling before an abortion (post- <i>Casey</i> )?	Conservative	Liberal	yes	connected and full
<b>abortion_reform_preroc</b>	Legal Abortion Pre-Roe	1967-1973	Did the state allow abortion before Roe v. Wade?	Liberal	Conservative	yes	pre
<b>w_abortion_parental_notice_1983_2014</b>	Parental Notification/ Consent Required	1983-2014	Does the state require parental notification or consent prior to a minor obtaining an abortion?	Conservative	Liberal	yes	full
<b>abortion_partial_birth</b>	Partial Birth Abortion Ban	1997-2007	Does the state ban late-term or partial birth abortions?	Conservative	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>abortion_medicai_d</b>	Medicaid for Abortion	1981-2014	Does the state's Medicaid system pay for abortions?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	full
<b>Criminal Justice Policies</b>							

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<b>drugs _boeh mke_ statra page</b>	Age Span Provisions for Statutory Rape	1950-1998	Does a state adopt an age span provision into its statutory rape law which effectively decriminalizes sexual activity between similar-aged teens?	???	??? [Liberal]	yes	watch
<b>death _pena lty</b>	Death Penalty	1936-2014	Has the state abolished the death penalty?	Liberal	Conservative	yes	full
<b>w_an mal_c ruelty _felon y</b>	Animal Cruelty	1936-2014	Has the state made aggravated animal cruelty a first- or second- offense felony?	???	Liberal	yes	full
<b>Drug &amp; Alcohol Policies</b>							
<b>drugs _boeh mke_ kegre g</b>	Beer Keg Registration Requirement	1978-2013	Does the state require the registration upon purchase of a beer keg?	Conservative	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>drugs _marij uana_ decri minali zation</b>	Decriminalizatio n of Marijuana Possession	1973-2014	Is marijuana possession a criminal act?	Conservative	Liberal	yes	full

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<b>drugs _medi cal_m arijua na</b>	Medical Marijuana	1996-2014	Is it legal to use marijuana for medical purposes?	Liberal	Conservative	yes	watch
<b>drugs _boeh mke_ mlda2 1</b>	Minimum Legal Drinking Age 21	1936-1985	Does the state have a minimum legal drinking age of 21?	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>drugs _smo king_ ban_ workp laces</b>	Smoking ban – workplaces	1995-2014	Does the state ban smoking in all workplaces?	???	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>drugs _smo king_ ban_r estaur ants</b>	Smoking ban – restaurants	1995-2014	Does the state ban smoking in restaurants?	???	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>drugs _boeh mke_ zeroto 1</b>	Zero Tolerance for Underage Drinking	1983-1995	Does the state have a Zero Tolerance law for blood alcohol levels <0.02 for individuals under age 21?	???	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>Education Policies</b>							

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<b>w_ed ucatio n_bibl ereadi ng</b>	Allow Ten Commandments in Schools	1936-2013	Does the state allow the Ten Commandment s to be posted in educational institutions?	Conservative	Conservative	yes	watch
<b>educa tion_c orpor al_pu nishm ent_b an</b>	Ban on Corporal Punishment in Schools	1970-2014	Does the state ban corporal punishment in schools?	???	Liberal	yes	full
<b>z_edu cation _expe nditur es_pe r_pup il</b>	Education Spending Per Pupil	1936-2009	What is the per capita spending on public education per pupil based on daily average attendance?	Liberal	Liberal		watch
<b>w_ed ucatio n_mo ment_ of_sil ence</b>	Moment of Silence Required	1957-2014	Does the state have a mandatory moment of silence period at the beginning of each school day?	???	Liberal	yes	full
<b>z_edu cation _high er_ed u_spe nding</b>	Per Student Spending on Higher Ed.	1988-2013	What is the per student subsidy for higher education?	Liberal	Liberal		watch

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<b>educa tion_t eache r_cert _hs</b>	Teacher Degree Required - High School	1936-1963	In what year does the state require high school teachers to hold a degree?	???	??? [Liberal]		pre
<b>educa tion_t eache r_cert _elem entary</b>	Teacher Degree Required – Elementary	1936-1969	In what year does the state require elementary school teachers to hold a degree?	???	??? [Liberal]		pre
<b>educa tion_s choolf ordeaf</b>	School for Deaf	1936-1950	School for Deaf	???	??? [Liberal]	yes	pre
<b>educa tion_li brarys ystem</b>	State Library System	1980-1948	State Library System	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>Environmental Policies</b>							
<b>enviro nmen t_air_ pollut ion_c ontrol</b>	Air Pollution Control Acts (Pre-CAA)	1947-1967	Does the state have an air pollution control act (Pre-Clean Air Act)?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre

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<b>enviro nmen t_bott lebill</b>	Bottle Bill	1970-2014	Does the state require a deposit on bottles paid by the consumer and refunded when the consumer recycles?	???	Liberal	yes	full
<b>enviro nmen t_ca_ car_e missi ons_s tanda rds</b>	CA Car Emissions Standard	2003-2012	Does the state adopt California's Car emissions standards (which are more stringent than the federal level)?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>enviro nmen t_elec tronic _wast e</b>	Electronic Waste Recycling Program	2000-2014	Does the state have a recycling program for electronic waste?	???	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>w_env ironm ent_e ndang ered_ specie s</b>	Endangered Species Act	1969-2014	Does the state have an endangered species act?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	full

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<b>enviro nmen t_stat e_nep as</b>	Environmental Protection Act	1969-2014	Does the state have its own version of the federal National Environmental Policy Act?	???	Liberal	yes	full
<b>enviro nmen t_ghg _cap</b>	Greenhouse Gas Cap	2006-2014	Does the state have a binding cap on greenhouse gas emissions in the utility sector?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>enviro nmen t_pub licben efit_f unds</b>	Public Benefit Fund	1996-2014	Does the state have a public benefit fund for renewable energy and energy efficiency?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>w_env ironm ent_s olar_t axcre dit</b>	Solar Tax Credit	1975-2014	Does the state have a tax credit for residential solar installations?	???	Liberal	yes	full
<b>Gambling Policies</b>							
<b>gambl ing_c asinos</b>	Casinos Allowed	1977-2012	Does the state allow casinos?	???	Conservative	yes	watch
<b>gambl ing_lo ttery_ adopti on</b>	Lottery Allowed	1964-2014	Does the state have a lottery?	???	?? [Liberal]	yes	full

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<b>w_gay rights _publi c_acc omod ations</b>	Ban on Disc. Against Gays In Public Accom.	1989-2014	Does the state ban discrimination against gays by public accomodations?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	full
<b>w_gay rights _civil union s_mar riage</b>	Civil Unions and Gay Marriage	2000-2012	Does the state allow civil unions or gay marriage (ordinal)?	Liberal	Conservative	yes	watch
<b>w_gay rights _empl oyeme nt_dis crimi nation</b>	Employment Disc. Protections for Gays	1982-2014	Does the state forbid employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and/or sexual identity?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	full
<b>gayrig hts_h atecri mes</b>	Hate Crimes Ban – Gays	1999-2014	Are hate crimes explicitly illegal in the state?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>gayrig hts_b an_so domy</b>	Sodomy Ban	1962-2003	Does the state forbid sodomy?	Conservative	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>Gun Control Policies</b>							

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<b>guncontrol_assault_weapon_ban</b>	Assault Weapon Ban	1989-2014	Are assault weapons banned in the state?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	full
<b>w_guncontrol_bc_dealers</b>	Background check gun purchases from dealers	1936-1993	Does the state require a background check on gun purchases from dealers? 1 if background check required for handguns; 2 if required for rifles/long guns	Liberal	Liberal		watch
<b>w_guncontrol_bc_privatesales</b>	Background check for private sales	1936-2014	Does the state require a background check on privately-sold guns? 1 if background check required for handguns; 2 if required for rifles/long guns	Liberal	Liberal		full
<b>guncontrol_licenses_dealers</b>	Gun Dealer Licenses	1936-2014	Does the state have any license requirements for manufacturers or dealers?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	full

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<b>w_guncont rol_waiting period</b>	Gun Purchases - Waiting Period	1936-2014	Does the state have a waiting period for gun purchases? 1 if waiting period required for handgun or assault weapon purchases; 2 if required for all gun sales	Liberal	Liberal		full
<b>guncontrol_ opencarry</b>	Open Carry Law for Guns	1961-2014	Is there an open carry law for guns?	???	???	yes	full
<b>guncontrol_ satnightspe cial_ban</b>	Saturday Night Special	1974-2013	Does the state ban ``Saturday Night Special" handguns?	???	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>guncontrol_ stand_ your_ ground</b>	Stand your ground law	1993-2014	Does the state have a ``stand your ground" law?	Conservative	???	yes	watch

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<b>w_guncont rol_registration_requirement</b>	Gun Registration	1936-2014	Does the state have registration requirement for guns? 1 if registration required for handguns; 2 if required for rifles/long guns	Liberal	Liberal		full
<b>Immigration Policies</b>							
<b>immigration_english_language</b>	English is official language	1970-2014	Is English the state's official language?	Conservative	??? [Liberal]	yes	full
<b>immigration_instate_tuition_illegal_immigrants</b>	Instate tuition for Immigrants	2001-2014	Does the state allow in-state tuition for illegal immigrants?	Liberal	???	yes	watch
<b>Labor Rights Policies</b>							
<b>labor_age_discrimination</b>	Age discrimination ban	1936-1999	Does the state ban age discrimination?	???	Liberal	yes	watch

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<b>labor_antiinjunction_laws</b>	Anti-Injunction Act	1936-1966	Does the state have an anti-injunction law?	???	???	yes	pre
<b>labor_collective_bargaining_stateemployees</b>	Collective Bargaining - State Employees	1966-1996	Does the state have collective bargaining rights for state government employees?	Liberal	??? [Conservative]	yes	watch
<b>labor_collective_bargaining_teachers</b>	Collective Bargaining – Teachers	1960-1996	Does the state have collective bargaining rights for local teachers?	Liberal	??? [Conservative]	yes	watch
<b>w_lab_or_state_ad_a</b>	Disability Discrimination Ban	1965-1990	Does the state ban discrimination against disabled people?	???	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>labor_merit_system</b>	Merit System for State Employees	1936-1953	Does the state have a merit system for state employees?	???	??? [Liberal]	yes	pre
<b>labor_minwage_above_federal</b>	Minimum Wage above Federal Level	1968-2012	Is the state's minimum wage above the federal level?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	watch

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<b>labor_ mini mum wage_ men</b>	Minimum Wage for Men	1944-1968	Does the state have a minimum wage for men?	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>labor_ mini mum wage_ wome n_any major indust ry</b>	Minimum Wage for Women	1936-1980	Does the state have a minimum wage for women?	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>labor_ prevai ling_ wage_ laws</b>	Prevailing Wage Law	1936-2014	Does the state have prevailing wage laws?	???	Liberal	yes	full
<b>labor_ right_ to_wo rk</b>	Right to Work law	1944-2014	Is the state a right-to-work state?	Conservative	?? [Liberal]	yes	full
<b>labor_ state_ retire ment_ syste m</b>	State Pension System Established	1936-1960	Does the state have a pension system?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre

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labor_state_disability_insurance	Temporary Disability Insurance	1945-2014	Does the state have a temporary disability insurance program?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	full
z_labor_unemployment_compensation	Unemployment Compensation	1937-2014	What is the maximum weekly amount of unemployment benefits?	Liberal	Liberal		full
labor_workers_compensation	Workers Compensation	1936-1947	Has the state established workers compensation?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre
x_labor_childlabor_workpermitage	Child Labor (14-15)	1936-1939	Does the state require employment certificates for child labor (14 and 15)?	???	Liberal	yes	pre
x_labor_childlabor_ageleaveschool	Child Labor Drop Out Age	1935	What is the age minors can drop out of school (14 – 18)?	???	Liberal		pre

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<b>w_lab or_rel ations _acts</b>	Labor Relations Acts	1937-1966	Does the state have a Labor Relations Act?	???	??? [Liberal]	yes	pre
<b>Licensing Policies</b>							
<b>licens es_chi ropra ctors</b>	Chiropractor Licensing	1936-1951	Chiropractor Licensing	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>licens es_de ntists</b>	Dentist Licensing	1936-1951	Dentist Licensing	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>licens es_arc hitect s</b>	Architect Licening	1936-1951	Architect Licening	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>licens es_be autici ans</b>	Beautician Licensing	1936-1951	Beautician Licensing	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>licens es_ph armac ists</b>	Pharmacist Licensing	1936-1951	Pharmacist Licensing	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>licens es_en gineer s</b>	Engineer Licensing	1936-1951	Engineer Licensing	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>licens es_nu rses</b>	Nurse Licensing	1936-1951	Nurse Licensing	???	Liberal	yes	pre

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<b>licens es_ac count ants</b>	Accountant Licensing	1936-1951	Accountant Licensing	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>licens es_rea l_esta te</b>	Real Estate Licensing	1936-1951	Real Estate Licensing	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>Miscellaneous Regulatory Policies</b>							
<b>regula tion_s editio n_law s</b>	Anti-sedition laws	1936-1955	Does the state have anti- sedition laws?	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>regula tion_f orced _sterli zation s</b>	Forced sterilizations	1945-1974	Does the state have a forced sterilization program?	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>regula tion_ boeh mke_ grand vist</b>	Grandparents' Visitation Rights	1964-1987	Does the state have a law guaranteeing grandparents' visitation rights?	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>regula tion_ hate_ crime s</b>	Hate Crimes Ban	1981-2014	Are hate crimes explicitly illegal in the state?	???	Liberal	yes	full

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<b>regulation_housing_enabling_federal_aid</b>	Urban Housing - Enabling Federal Aid	1936-1953	Does the state have a law enabling federal housing aid?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>regulation_housing_directstateaid</b>	Urban Housing - Direct State Aid	1939-1951	Does the state provide direct aid for urban housing?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>regulation_boehmke_livingwill</b>	Living Wills	1976-1992	Does the state have a law permitting individuals control over the use of heroic medical treatment in the event of a terminal illness?	???	??? [Conservative]	yes	watch
<b>regulation_pain_suffering_limits</b>	Pain and Suffering Limits in Lawsuits	1975-2012	Are there limits on damages for pain and suffering in lawsuits?	???	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>regulation_physician_suicide</b>	Physician-assisted suicide	1998-2014	Does the state allow physician-assisted suicide?	???	Conservative	yes	watch

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<b>regulation_boehmke_cogrowman</b>	Planning Laws Required for Local Gov.	1961-2007	Does a state have a law authorizing or requiring growth-management planning?	???	??? [Liberal]	yes	watch
<b>regulation_boehmke_shield</b>	Protections Against Compelling Reporters to Disclose Sources	1936-2013	Does the state have a Shield Law protecting them from revealing their sources?	???	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>regulation_rent_control</b>	Rent Control Prohibition	1950-2014	Does state prohibit the passage of rent control laws in its cities or municipalities?	???	??? [Conservative]	yes	full
<b>regulation_freedom</b>	Religious Freedom Restoration Act	1993-2014	Did the state pass the Religious Freedom Restoration Act?	???	??? [Conservative]	yes	watch
<b>regulations_state_debt_limitations</b>	State Debt Limitation	1936-1966	Does the state constitution restrict state debt issuance?	???	Conservative	yes	pre

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<b>regulations_home rule</b>	Municipal Home Rule	1936-1961	Enables cities to adopt a home rule charter that acts as the city's basic governing document over local issues.	???	???	yes	pre
<b>regulations_lemon law</b>	Lemon Laws	1970-2014	Did the state pass a law protecting consumers who purchase automobiles which fail after repeated repairs?	???	Liberal	yes	full
<b>regulation_utility_jurisdiction</b>	Utility Regulation	1936-1960	State Commission with rate-setting authority over electricity utilities	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>Racial Discrimination Policies</b>							
<b>race_school_segregation</b>	Requires segregation in schools	1936-1953	Does the state require segregation in public schools?	Conservative	Liberal	yes	pre

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<b>race_interracial_marriage_banned</b>	Ban on Interracial Marriage	1936-1967	Does the state have a law banning interracial marriages?	Conservative	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>w_race_disc_public_accommodations2</b>	Banning discrimination in public accom.	1964-2010	Does the state pass a law (with administrative enforcement) banning discrimination in public accommodations (post-CRA)?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>w_race_disc_public_accommodations1</b>	Banning discrimination in public accom. (pre-CRA)	1936-1963	Does the state pass a law (with administrative enforcement) banning discrimination in public accommodations (pre-CRA)?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>race_fair_employment_commissions</b>	Fair Employment Laws	1945-1964	Does the state have a fair employment law?	???	Liberal	yes	pre

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<b>race_fair_employment_commission_posts_post1964</b>	Fair Employment Laws (post-1964)	1965-2014	Does the state have a fair employment law? (post-1964)	???	Liberal	yes	full
<b>w_race_fair_housing_private</b>	Fair Housing - Private Housing	1959-1968	Does the state ban discrimination in private housing?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>race_boehmke_fhp</b>	Fair Housing - Public Housing	1937-1965	Does the state ban discrimination in public housing?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>race_boehmke_fhurb</b>	Fair Housing - Urban Renewal Areas	1945-1964	Does the state have urban renewal areas?	???	?? [Liberal]	yes	pre
<b>Tax Policies</b>							
<b>cigarettes_binary</b>	Cigarette Tax	1936-1946	Does the state have a cigarette tax?	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>z_cigarette_taxes</b>	Cigarette Tax Rate	1947-2014	What is the state's tax on a pack of cigarettes?	???	Liberal		full

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<b>earned_income_taxcredit</b>	Earned Income Tax Credit	1988-2014	Does the state have an earned income tax credit?	Liberal	??? [Liberal]	yes	full
<b>income_taxes</b>	Income Tax	1936-2014	Does the state have an income tax?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	full
<b>x_tax_rate_rich</b>	Income tax rate – wealthy	1977-2012	What is the state individual income tax rate for an individual that makes more than 1.5 million real dollars?	Conservative	Liberal		watch
<b>sales_taxes_binary_pre_1946</b>	Sales Tax	1936-1945	Does the state have a sales tax?	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>x_sales_taxes</b>	Sales tax Rate	1946-2014	What is the sales tax rate?	???	Liberal		full
<b>x_tax_burden</b>	Tax Burden	1977-2010	What is the state's tax burden (per capita taxes/per capita income)?	Liberal	Liberal		watch

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<b>x_top _corp oratei ncom etaxra te</b>	Top Corporate tax rate	1941-2014	What is the top corporate tax rate?	Liberal	Liberal		full
<b>corpo rate_i ncom etax</b>	Corporate Income Tax	1936-1940	Is there a corporate income tax?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>estate _tax</b>	Estate Tax	2009-2014	Is there a state estate tax?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>Transportation Policies</b>							
<b>transp ortati on_co ntroll edacc esshig hways</b>	Controlled Access Highways	1937-1946	Controlled Access Highways	???	??? [Liberal]	yes	pre
<b>regula tion_ bicycl e_hel mets</b>	Bicycle Helmets Required	1985-2014	Does the state require that people use helmets while on bicycles?	???	Liberal	yes	full
<b>regula tion_ mand atory_ seatbe lts</b>	Mandatory Seat Belts	1984-2014	Does the state require the usage of seat belts (either primary or secondary enforcement)?	???	Liberal	yes	full

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<b>regulation_motorcycle_helmets</b>	Motorcycle helmets required	1967-2014	Does the state require the usage of helmets by people on motorcycles?	???	Liberal	yes	full
<b>regulation_mandatory_car_insurance</b>	Mandatory Car Insurance	1945-1986	Does the state require drivers to obtain car insurance?	???	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>Welfare and Health Care Policies</b>							
<b>z_ssi_afdc_families_payments</b>	AFDC - Benefits for Average Family	1936-1992	What is the average level of benefits per family under the Aid for Families with Dependent Children program?	Liberal	Liberal		watch
<b>afdc_up</b>	AFDC-UP Policy	1961-1990	What is the average level of benefits under the Aid for Families with Dependent Children program?	Liberal	Liberal		watch

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<b>z_ssi_ blind_ paym ents</b>	Aid to Blind - Payments per Recipient	1936-1965	What is the average monthly payment per recipient for the permanently blind or disabled?	Liberal	Liberal		pre
<b>z_ssi_ disabl ed_pa yment s</b>	Aid to Disabled - Payments per Recipient	1951-1965	What is the average monthly payment per recipient for the permanently blind or disabled?	Liberal	Liberal		pre
<b>z_ssi_ blind_ paym ents_ post19 65</b>	Aid to Blind - Payments per Recipient	1966-1972	What is the average monthly payment per recipient for the permanently blind or disabled? (post-1965)	Liberal	Liberal		pre
<b>z_ssi_ disabl ed_pa yment s_pos t1965</b>	Aid to Disabled - Payments per Recipient	1966-1972	What is the average monthly payment per recipient for the permanently blind or disabled? (post-1965)	Liberal	Liberal		pre

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<b>x_chi p_chi dren</b>	CHIP - Eligibility Level for Children	1988-2012	What is the CHIP eligibility level for children?	???	??? [Liberal]		watch
<b>x_chi p_infa nts</b>	CHIP - Eligibility Level for Infants	1998-2012	What is the CHIP eligibility level for infants?	???	??? [Liberal]		watch
<b>z_ssi_ ga_pa yment s_per _case</b>	General Assistance Payments Per Case	1937-1963	What is the average monthly payment per case for general assistance (an early form of welfare)?	Liberal	Liberal		pre
<b>z_ssi_ ga_pa yment s_per _recip ient</b>	General Assistance Payments Per Recipient	1964-1980	What is the average monthly payment per recipient for general assistance (an early form of welfare)?	Liberal	Liberal		pre
<b>x_chi p_pre nant wome n</b>	CHIP - Eligibility Level for Pregnant Women	1998-2012	What is the CHIP eligibility level for pregnant women?	???	??? [Liberal]		watch

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<b>x_chi p_pre gnant wome n_pre bba</b>	Medicaid - Eligibility for Pregnant Women	1990-1997	What is the Medicaid eligibility level for pregnant women?	???	??? [Liberal]		watch
<b>z_ssi_ old_a ge_pa yment s</b>	Old Age Assistance - Payments per Recipient	1936-1965	What is the average monthly payment per recipient per recipient for old age assistance?	Liberal	Liberal		pre
<b>z_ssi_ old_a ge_pa yment s_pos t1965</b>	Old Age Assistance - Payments per Recipient	1965-1972	What is the average monthly payment per recipient per recipient for old age assistance? (post-1965)	Liberal	Liberal		pre
<b>boeh mke_ snrpr esc</b>	Senior Prescription Drugs	1975-2001	Does the state provide pharmaceutical coverage or assistance for seniors who do not qualify for Medicaid?	???	Liberal	yes	watch
<b>medic aid_st atead optio n</b>	State Adoption of Medicaid	1966-1983	Does the state have a Medicaid program?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre

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<b>z_tanf _pay ments perfa mily</b>	TANF - Average Payments per Family	2006-2010	What is the average monthly level of benefits per family under the Temporary Aid for Needy Families program?	Liberal	Liberal		watch
<b>z_tanf _initia lelig</b>	TANF - Initial Eligibility Level	1996-2013	What is the initial eligibility level for benefits for a family of three under the Temporary Aid for Needy Families Program?	???	???		watch
<b>z_tanf _max paym ent</b>	TANF - Max Payments	1990-2013	What is the maximum level of benefis under the Temporary Aid for Needy Families program for a family of three with no income?	Liberal	Liberal		watch
<b>Womens' Rights Policies</b>							

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<b>gender_rights_qual_pay</b>	Equal Pay For Females	1936-1972	Does the state have a law providing for equal pay for women working in the same job?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre
<b>gender_rights_ratification</b>	Equal Right Amendment Ratified	1972-2014	Has the state ratified the Equal Rights Amendment?	Liberal	??? [Liberal]	yes	full
<b>gender_rights_jury_service</b>	Jury Service for Women	1936-1967	Can women serve on juries?	Liberal	Conservative	yes	pre
<b>gender_rights_state_laws</b>	State Equal Rights Law	1971-2014	Has the state passed a state-level equivalent to the Equal Rights Amendment?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	full
<b>gender_rights_gender_discrimination_laws</b>	Gender Discrimination Laws	1961-1964	Does the state ban hiring discrimination on the basis of gender?	Liberal	Liberal	yes	pre

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<b>gende rright s_gen der_di scrimi nation _laws _post1 964</b>	Gender Discrimination Laws (post-1964)	1965-2014	Does the state ban hiring discrimination on the basis of gender? (post-1964)	Liberal	Liberal	yes	full
<b>gende rright s_nof ault_d ivorce</b>	No Fault Divorce	1966-2014	Do states have a no-fault divorce policy?	Liberal	Conservative	yes	full