

Codebook for:

The specialized version of Religion and State (RAS) round 1 dataset used in Jonathan Fox & Deborah Flores “Religions, Constitutions, and the State: a Cross-National Study” Journal of Politics. (Forthcoming).

The variables described below are the ones which were used in the study. All other variables in the file are from the general Religion and State (RAS) dataset. A full description of them is available in the RAS codebook.

Constitution Variables

c3discr: The constitution effective in 2002 included a clause banning discrimination on the basis of religion.

c4estab: The constitution effective in 2002 included a clause declaring separation of religion and states, that the state is secular, that the state has no official religion, or some similar language.

c5worall: The constitution effective in 2002 included a clause declaring freedom of religion or banning restrictions on the practice of religion.

Variables from Robert Barro.

These variables were taken from studies by Robert Barro. The source data is available at Robert Barro's website at <http://www.economics.harvard.edu/faculty/barro>. The version of the Barro data used here was obtained directly from Robert Barro in 2004.

Eherf00d: Herfindahl index. This variable is a religious diversity measure using the Herfindahl methodology to create a measure based on the population data from the World Christian Encyclopedia.

Other Demographic Variables

These variables are based on the demographic variables already available in the RAS dataset.

emajchc: The majority of the country is Catholic

emajchor: The majority of the country is Orthodox Christian

emajcho3: The majority of the country is Christian but not Catholic or Christian Orthodox

emajisla: The majority of the country is Muslim

Data from other sources

zpd: Polity score from the Polity dataset. -10 is most autocratics, 10 is the most democratic.

zpbx: Number of years since the last change in the Polity index

zpcl: Log of per capita GDP. Taken from UN Statistics Division website.

RAS Variables Used in the Study

Religious Discrimination (M): see general RAS codebook.

Religious Legislation (K): see general RAS codebook.

See the article for more details.