

## Sources:

Source acronym	Source name	Webpage link	Last access date
BDUS	Biographical Directory of the United States Congress	<a href="http://bioguide.Congress.gov/">http://bioguide.Congress.gov/</a>	9 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
CBP	Congressional Bills Project	<a href="http://congressionalbills.org">http://congressionalbills.org</a>	8 <sup>th</sup> August 2018
CS	Charles Stewart's Congressional Data Page	<a href="http://web.mit.edu/17.251/www/data_page.html">http://web.mit.edu/17.251/www/data_page.html</a>	28 <sup>th</sup> July 2018
DBD	Digital Boundary Definitions of United States Congressional Districts	<a href="http://cdmaps.polisci.ucla.edu">http://cdmaps.polisci.ucla.edu</a>	18 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
JF	James Fowler personal webpage	<a href="http://jhfowler.ucsd.edu/cosponsorship.htm">http://jhfowler.ucsd.edu/cosponsorship.htm</a>	28 <sup>th</sup> November 2017
LEP	Legislative Effectiveness Project	<a href="http://www.thelawmakers.org">http://www.thelawmakers.org</a>	18 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
OCUS	Office of Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives	<a href="http://clerk.house.gov/memberinfo/leadership.aspx">http://clerk.house.gov/memberinfo/leadership.aspx</a>	18 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
PAP	Policy Agendas Project	<a href="http://www.comparativeagendas.net/us">www.comparativeagendas.net/us</a>	8 <sup>th</sup> August 2018
SF	Sunlight Foundation	<a href="https://github.com/unitedstates/congress-legislators">https://github.com/unitedstates/congress-legislators</a>	18 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
VV	Voteview	<a href="http://voteview.com">http://voteview.com</a>	12 <sup>th</sup> March 2019

## Data

Dataset name: topic\_votes

Dataset content: Topics of the bills under rollcall vote from the 109<sup>th</sup> to the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Variable Name	Description	Source
id_roll_call	Unique identifier of the roll call vote.	Authors' elaboration from VV
major_topic	Categorical variable indicating the policy area discussed in the bill voted in the roll call, as categorized by PAP. For a precise definition of each category, please refer to <a href="https://www.comparativeagendas.net/pages/master-codebook">https://www.comparativeagendas.net/pages/master-codebook</a> .	PAP
topic	Categorical variable indicating the policy topic subject discussed in the bill, as categorized by PAP. For a precise definition of each category, please refer to <a href="https://www.comparativeagendas.net/pages/master-codebook">https://www.comparativeagendas.net/pages/master-codebook</a> .	PAP