

Description of data and programs for replicating the results in the article:

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----- DATA

The files AEJ_data_1rep.dta and AEJ_data_2rep.dta include the data used in the empirical analysis of the article (STATA format): in particular, the former dataset refers to the "First Republic" sample, and the latter dataset refers to the "Second Republic" sample.

The two datasets contain detailed individual information on the characteristics, political and work experience, legislative accomplishments, malfeasance episodes, and absenteeism rates of the population of Italian members of the House of Representatives for the "First Republic" (1948-1992) and of the population of Italian members of the House of Representatives and of the Senate for the "Second Republic" (1994-2001). The units of observation are the individual politicians.

Please refer to the article for a description of the variables. Each variable in the datasets can be identified by appropriate labels.

Eric Chang, Miriam Golden and Seth Hill (2010) have collected the dataset on the First Republic. Stefano Gagliarducci, Tommaso Nannicini and Paolo Naticchioni (2010, 2011) have collected the dataset on the Second Republic. Please see the references in the article for details.

----- HOW TO REPLICATE THE TABLES IN THE ARTICLE

Software used: STATA

To derive the tables of the article, from Table 1 to Table 8, use the following do files:

AEJ_table1-table2-table3.do

AEJ_table4.do

AEJ_table5.do

AEJ_table6.do

AEJ_table7.do

AEJ_table8.do