

Codebook for California Assembly Roster and Ideal Points, 1901-2003

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year – First year of Assembly session.

district – Assembly district of member.

name – Name of member.

candno – Number of member – stays constant throughout member's service.

partycode – ICPSR number of member's party.

party – Party label. During cross-filing years, this label is often hyphenated. "D-R" indicates a Democrat who has also received the Republican party's nomination.

terms – Number of terms in office member has served. 1 indicates the member is a freshman.

taxrank – Rank of district in terms of its tax burden to the state in each year. 1 indicates that the district sent more state tax dollars to Sacramento than any other district that year. Derived from the *Biennial Report of the State Treasurer* (1902-1944) and the State Controller's *Annual Counties Report* (1956-2002) and converted from county-level to district-level.

pcturban – Percent of district that was urbanized. Derived from US Census figures and converted from county-level to district-level.

primecounty – Primary county represented by member.

north – Dummy variable. 1= northern California, 0 = southern California.

districtd – Percent of district voting Democratic in most recent presidential election. Data not available prior to 1913.

xfiler – Dummy variable. 1= member successfully cross-filed (winning the other major party's nomination) in most recent election.

voteshare – Share of the vote won by member in most recent election.

dwnom1 – 1st dimension DW-NOMINATE coordinate. (1991 was not included in this calculation.)

dwnom2 – 2nd dimension DW-NOMINATE coordinate. (1991 was not included in this calculation.)

wnom1 – 1st dimension W-NOMINATE coordinate.

wnom2 – 2nd dimension W-NOMINATE coordinate.

wnom3 – 3rd dimension W-NOMINATE coordinate.