

**On-Line Appendix for**  
**C. Crombez & S. Hix, “Legislative Activity and Gridlock in the European Union”**

**Table A1. Descriptive Statistics**

Variable	Obs.	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
Laws adopted (Häge)	60	114.95	28.95	70	183
Laws proposed (Häge)	60	116.55	26.19	78	189
Laws adopted (König et al.)	38	95.03	34.86	27	177
Gridlock interval (ParlGov)	60	2.65	0.89	1.02	4.25
Gridlock interval, SEA=cooperation (ParlGov)	60	2.68	0.87	1.02	4.25
Gridlock interval, Com=gatekeeper (ParlGov)	60	2.68	0.89	1.02	4.25
Gridlock interval, Council only (ParlGov)	60	2.62	0.91	0.96	4.25
Gridlock interval (party manifestos)	48	31.62	18.70	9.07	66.37
No. of member states	60	14.80	5.43	9	27
EP cycle	60	5.50	2.90	1	10
Part year	60	0.50	0.50	0	1
Big state presidency	60	0.38	0.49	0	1
EU public support	60	54.17	6.04	44.62	69.99
Before enlargement	60	0.08	0.28	0	1

**Table A2. Robustness Checks**

	No. of laws adopted using König et al. data	Gridlock calculated using party manifestos data	SEA period = cooperation (not consultation)	Models with Commission gatekeeping power	Gridlock only using pivotal states in the Council	Dep. var. = no. of laws proposed by Commission
	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)
Constant	36.11 (126.08)	75.60 (68.72)	57.90* (34.22)	63.81* (33.50)	52.84 (33.46)	59.95* (31.37)
Gridlock interval	-15.78** (7.82)	-0.85*** (0.29)	-14.05*** (3.69)	-14.75*** (3.47)	-13.45*** (3.43)	-11.93*** (3.26)
No. of member states	4.45 (4.97)	-2.48 (2.89)	-0.80 (0.59)	-0.79 (0.57)	-0.72 (0.58)	-0.83 (0.54)
EP cycle	2.54 (1.95)	3.07** (1.35)	2.52** (1.10)	2.68** (1.06)	2.63** (1.09)	-0.02 (1.00)
Part year	9.24 (10.70)	-4.25 (7.60)	1.61 (6.30)	1.76 (6.14)	1.15 (6.26)	-0.55 (5.75)
Big state presidency	1.41 (10.63)	-2.74 (7.55)	-8.20 (6.36)	-7.42 (6.20)	-8.37 (6.32)	6.36 (5.81)
EU public support	0.30 (1.06)	1.56** (0.65)	1.73*** (0.52)	1.63*** (0.51)	1.75*** (0.52)	1.82*** (0.48)
Before enlargement	59.32** (27.75)	10.27 (17.23)	15.24 (11.48)	17.56 (11.23)	15.00 (11.40)	-0.33 (10.49)
Observations	38	48	60	60	60	60
Adj. R-sq.	0.199	0.291	0.331	0.365	0.339	0.318

Note: Dependent variable = number of laws adopted by the EU in a six-month period, between 1979 and 2009.  
 OLS regression. Standard errors in parentheses. \* p ≤ 0.10, \*\* p ≤ 0.05, \*\*\* p ≤ 0.01.