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**Online appendix**

**Surveyed Journals**

To build our dataset of articles, we reviewed 33 top academic journals in political science and related fields. The set begins with top-ranking generalist political science journals: *The American Political Science Review* (APSR), the *American Journal of Political Science* (AJPS), the *Journal of Politics* (JoP), and the *British Journal of Political Science* (BJPS), as well as the *Political Research Quarterly* (PRQ) and *Annual Review of Political Science* (ARPS). It also includes four leading journals on international relations and comparative politics: *World Politics* (WP), *Comparative Politics* (CP), *Comparative Political Studies* (CPS), and the *International Political Science Review* (IPSR). Next, we include the five top Latin American-centric journals published in the U.S. and Europe: *Latin American Politics and Society* (LAPS), the *Latin American Research Review* (LARR), the *Journal of Latin American Studies* (JLAS), the *Journal of Politics in Latin America* (JPLA), and *Latin American Perspectives* (LAP). We also include the Latin American counterparts to these regionally-focused journals: *América Latina Hoy* (ALH; from Spain), *Política y Gobierno* (PyG; from Mexico), *Desarrollo Económico* (DE; from Argentina), *Revista de Ciencia Política* (RCP; from Chile), and the *Brazilian Political Science Review* (BPSR), *Revista Brasileira de Ciências Sociais* (RBSC), *Revista de Sociologia Política* (RSP), DADOS *Revista de Ciências Sociais* (DADOS), and *Novos Estudos* CEBRAP (NE-CEBRAP), all of which are from Brazil. We conclude by surveying some top journals in sociology and economics, including the *American Sociological Review* (ASR), *American Journal of Sociology* (AJS), and the *Annual Review of Sociology* (ARS), as well as the *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* (JLEO), *Studies in Comparative International* *Development* (SCID), *Journal of Public Economics* (JPE), and *Economía*, and *Economía y Sociedad* (EyS). The only specifically public administration journal included is *Governance.*

**Note on Content Classification**

We include 20 mutually exclusive and collectively exhaustive categories that cover a wide range of topics in bureaucratic politics. *Agency development* refers to how bureaucratic institutions evolve, transform or disappear over time; *appointment* refers to the logic behind assigning positions in different levels of the bureaucratic structure; *autonomy* refers to levels of independence of bureaucratic agencies; *bureaucratic capacity* refers to the ability of an agency to deliver policy programs; *civil service* refers to the professionalization of workers within the bureaucracy; *control of bureaucracy* refers to the different administrative and normative arrangements that allow management to take place; *corruption* refers to a practice or action that violates –or fails to comply with– a formal norm related to any public administration procedure; *delegation* refers to the degree to which bureaucratic agencies represent the interest of a third party, usually the head of government; *executive branch* refers to the different organizational and administrative bureaucratic arrangements that allow the head of state to exercise its functions; *governance* refers to the degree to which the bureaucracy fosters or inhibits political stability; *implementation* is the execution of a policy; *networks* refers to the internal dynamic within –and between– different bureaucratic structures; *oversight* refers to the degree to which the bureaucracy is used to supervise a process or the degree to which other institutions (i.e. legislature or the judiciary) supervise the bureaucracy; *public management* refers to administrative procedures followed by the bureaucracy; *reform* refers to changes to the bureaucratic normative framework; *regulation* refers to the formal normative framework used by bureaucratic structures to operate; *private sector-bureaucracy* refers to the relationship between the private sector and bureaucratic institutions; *state capacity* refers to the ability of a government to administer its territory effectively; *street level bureaucracy* refers to the relationship between bureaucratic institutions and citizens; and *technocracy* refers to the degree to which bureaucratic institutions adopt technical –instead of political– criteria to operate.

We deliberately leave aside articles related to participatory and bureaucratic budgeting *–*deliberation regarding the amount and allocation of resources used by the Executive Branch– because they deal with a previous stage in the decision-making process outside our central topic. In the same way, we exclude articles dealing with clientelismfrom a purely political perspective.

**Note on State and Bureaucratic Capacity**

*State capacity* and *bureaucratic capacity* are analytically distinct but related terms. State capacity refers to the ability of a government to administer its territory effectively ([Skocpol 1985](#_ENREF_112)), whether that is through its ability to raise revenue, control a consolidated piece of territory, or hold a monopoly of violence over a given population. Yet scholars’ use of state capacity also often invokes the related concept of bureaucratic capacity, which is an agency- rather than state-level attribute ([Soifer and Hau 2008](#_ENREF_116); [Hendrix 2010](#_ENREF_54)). Essentially, bureaucratic capacity refers to the ability of an agency to deliver policy programs as they were designed, and is a function of the agency structure, organizational management, access to resources, and bureaucrats’ specialized knowledge or informational advantages in a certain policy domain. In many instances, state capacity cannot exist independently of bureaucratic capacity, since the state can only raise revenue, for instance, through the actions of some organized tax-collecting agency that requires a certain level of organizational capacity to carry out its mission. Consequently, we employ both terms in our literature survey and subsequent analysis.

**Number of Publications by Country**

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| Country | Number | % |
| None | 21 | 16.0 |
| Argentina | 15 | 11.5 |
| Bolivia | 1 | 0.8 |
| Brazil | 33 | 25.2 |
| Chile | 14 | 10.7 |
| Colombia | 3 | 2.3 |
| Costa Rica | 3 | 2.3 |
| Cuba | 2 | 1.5 |
| Dominican | 1 | 0.8 |
| Ecuador | 1 | 0.8 |
| El Salvador | 2 | 1.5 |
| Guatemala | 2 | 1.5 |
| Honduras | 2 | 1.5 |
| Mexico | 8 | 6.1 |
| Nicaragua | 2 | 1.5 |
| Panama | 2 | 1.5 |
| Paraguay | 0 | 0.0 |
| Peru | 4 | 3.1 |
| Uruguay | 2 | 1.5 |
| Venezuela | 1 | 0.8 |
| Latin America | 7 | 5.3 |
| Cross national | 5 | 3.8 |
|   | 131 | 100.0 |

**Source**: Authors.

**Note:** Totals exceed N of 107 due to some articles' focus on multiple countries

The Cross National category includes articles that deal with Latin America and other regions of the world.

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