**Supplementary Material**

***Table A1.* Summary Statistics**

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|  | ***Obs*** | ***Mean*** | ***Std. Dev.*** | ***Min*** | ***Max*** |
| Welfare spending | 1776 | 0.4215 | 0.1545 | 0.0059 | 0.8239 |
| Female labor force participation | 1776 | 39.5140 | 9.0477 | 10.4342 | 51.8769 |
| Women’s participation in parliament | 1693 | 12.3098 | 8.6163 | 0 | 44.5 |
| GDP per capita (logged) | 1776 | 8.2176 | 1.5505 | 4.9524 | 10.9859 |
| CEDAW ratification | 1776 | 0.8300 | 0.3758 | 0 | 1 |
| % female population  | 1776 | 50.2872 | 1.8886 | 37.79168 | 54.3046 |
| Democracy | 1776 | 4.8046 | 6.2091 | −10 | 10 |
| Economic openness (logged) | 1776 | 4.2352 | 0.5434 | 2.5846 | 6.0860 |
| Female legislatort-1 | 1693 | 11.8070 | 8.4212 | 0 | 40.4 |
| Female labort-1 | 1776 | 39.3568 | 9.1102 | 10.4342 | 51.8538 |

***Table A2.* List of Countries in the Sample**

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| Albania | Fiji | Lesotho | Russia |
| Argentina | Finland | Liberia | Singapore |
| Armenia | France | Lithuania | Slovak Republic |
| Australia | Georgia | Luxembourg | Slovenia |
| Austria | Ghana | Madagascar | South Africa |
| Azerbaijan | Greece | Malawi | Spain |
| Bahrain | Guatemala | Malaysia | Sri Lanka |
| Bangladesh | Honduras | Mauritius | Sweden |
| Belarus | Hungary | Mexico | Switzerland |
| Belgium | India | Moldova | Thailand |
| Bhutan | Indonesia | Mongolia | Trinidad |
| Bolivia | Iran | Morocco | Tunisia |
| Bulgaria | Ireland | Nepal | Turkey |
| Cameroon | Israel | Netherlands | Uganda |
| Canada | Italy | New Zealand | Ukraine |
| Chile | Jamaica | Nicaragua | United Kingdom |
| China | Japan | Niger | United States |
| Colombia | Jordan | Oman | Uruguay |
| Costa Rica | Kazakhstan | Pakistan | Venezuela |
| Croatia | Kenya | Panama | Yemen |
| Cyprus | Korea South | Papua New Guinea | Zambia |
| Dominican Rep | Kuwait | Philippines | Zimbabwe |
| Egypt | Kyrgyzstan | Poland |  |
| El Salvador | Latvia | Portugal |  |
| Estonia | Lebanon | Romania |  |

***Table A3.* Fixed-Effects Models with Alternative Welfare Spending Variable (Welfare Spending % GDP)**

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| --- | --- | --- |
|  | ***DV: Female Labor Participation*** | ***DV: Women’s Participation in Parliament*** |
|  | ***Global Sample*** | ***Less Developed Countries*** | ***Global Sample*** | ***Less Developed Countries*** |
| Welfare Spending | 3.458\*\*\* | 3.119\*\* | 16.968\*\*\* | 15.128\*\* |
|  | (1.271) | (1.558) | (5.929) | (6.684) |
| GDP per Capita | 0.379\*\*\* | 0.346\*\*\* | 2.832\*\*\* | 2.749\*\*\* |
|  | (0.092) | (0.105) | (0.451) | (0.478) |
| CEDAW Ratification | 0.125\* | 0.173\*\* | 0.498 | 0.351 |
|  | (0.072) | (0.088) | (0.347) | (0.392) |
| % Female Population | 0.137\*\*\* | 0.169\*\*\* | 0.588\*\* | 0.757\*\*\* |
|  | (0.046) | (0.052) | (0.263) | (0.278) |
| Democracy | −0.007 | −0.005 | −0.011 | −0.001 |
|  | (0.006) | (0.007) | (0.030) | (0.031) |
| Economic Openness | 0.072 | 0.017 | 0.893\*\* | 0.633 |
|  | (0.094) | (0.110) | (0.458) | (0.496) |
| Female Labort-1 | 0.872\*\*\* | 0.853\*\*\* |  |  |
|  | (0.010) | (0.013) |  |  |
| Female Legislatort-1 |  |  | 0.777\*\*\* | 0.765\*\*\* |
|  |  |  | (0.016) | (0.019) |
| Constant | −5.427\*\* | −5.692\*\* | −55.166\*\*\* | −60.009\*\*\* |
|  | (2.361) | (2.642) | (13.777) | (14.448) |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Observations | 1,776 | 1,371 | 1,693 | 1,288 |
| R-sq | 0.86 | 0.82 | 0.71 | 0.68 |

*Notes:* Standard errors appear in parenthesis. \*\*\*p < 0.01, \*\*p < 0.05, \*p < 0.1