**ONLINE APPENDICES**

**Appendix A:** Descriptive information about Australian and Canadian premiers

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| **Jurisdiction** | **Woman premier, political party** | **Pathway to office\*** | **Dates in premier’s office (selection to departure)** | **Number of news stories** | **Male predecessor, political party** | **Pathway to office\*** | **Dates in premier’s office (selection to departure)** | **Number of news stories** |
| Queensland, Australia | ***Anna Bligh,*** Labor  | Governing party | 13 Sept. 2007 – 26 March 2012 | 35 | ***Peter Beattie,*** Labor | Election win | 20 June 1998 – 13 Sept. 2007 | 22 |
| New South Wales, Australia | ***Kristina Keneally,*** Labor | Governing party | 4 Dec. 2009 – 26 March 2011 | 54 | ***Nathan Rees,*** Labor | Governing party | 14 Dec. 2008 – 7 Oct. 2009 | 55 |
| Tasmania, Australia | ***Lara Giddings,*** Labor | Governing party | 24 Jan. 2011 – 31 March 2014 | 21 | ***David Bartlett,*** Labor | Governing party | 26 May 2008 – 23 Jan. 2011 | 37 |
| Queensland, Australia | ***Annastacia Palaszczuk,*** Labor | Election win | 14 Feb. 2015 – present | 17 | ***Campbell Newman,*** Liberal National | Election win | 26 March 2012 – 14 Feb. 2015 | 51 |
| New South Wales, Australia | ***Gladys Berejiklian,*** Liberal | Governing party | 20 Jan. 2017 – present | 35 | ***Mike Baird,*** Liberal | Governing party | 17 April 2014 – 19 Jan. 2017 | 25 |
| Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada | ***Kathy Dunderdale,*** Progressive Conservative | Governing party | December 2010 – 24 Jan. 2014 | 23 | ***Danny Williams,***Progressive Conservative | Election win | 6 Nov. 2003 – 3 Dec. 2010 | 18 |
| Alberta, Canada | ***Alison Redford,*** Progressive Conservative | Governing party | 7 October 2011 – 23 March 2014 | 43 | ***Ed Stelmach,*** Progressive Conservative | Governing party | 14 December 2006 – 7 Oct. 2011 | 34 |
| British Columbia, Canada | ***Christy Clark,*** Liberal | Governing party | 14 Mar. 2011 – 4. Aug. 2017 | 42 | ***Gordon Campbell,***Liberal | Election win | 5 June 2001 – 14 March 2011 | 36  |
| Quebec, Canada | ***Pauline Marois,*** Parti Québécois | Election win | 19 Sept. 2012 – 23 April 2014 | 44 | ***Jean Charest,*** Liberal | Election win | 29 April 2003 – 19 Sept. 2012 | 50 |
| Ontario, Canada | ***Kathleen Wynne,***Liberal  | Governing party | 11 Feb. 2013 – 28 June 2018 | 36 | ***Dalton McGuinty,*** Liberal | Election win | 23 October 2003 – 11 Feb. 2013  | 80  |
| Alberta, Canada | ***Rachel Notley,*** New Democratic | Election win | 24 May 2015- 30 April 2019 | 54 | ***Jim Prentice,*** Progressive Conservative | Governing party | 1 Sept. 2014 – 24 May 2015 | 31 |

**\*Pathway to office:** We distinguished between those who attained the role of premier in the inter-election period by securing the leadership of a party in government (***governing party***), and those who brought an opposition party to victory in a general election (***election win***).

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| **Appendix B.** List, description, and examples of the 16 leadership qualities identified in news coverage of Australian and Canadian premiers.  |
| **Trait** | **Explanation** | **Examples** |
| Competence | Mentions of competency, especially as it relates to governing.  | Competent, capable, accomplished, ability to get things done, has practical judgment |
| Incompetence | Mentions of lack of competence, especially as it relates to governing. | Incompetent, incapable, ineffective, failure, dubious abilities, makes mistakes |
| Strength | Mentions of strength | Strong, tough, assertive, courageous, confident |
| Weakness | Mentions of weakness | Weak, passive, indecisive, lacking toughness |
| Intelligent | Mentions of intelligence | Intelligent, smart, bright |
| Unintelligent | Mentions of lack of intelligence | Not intelligent, “intellectual lightweight,” half-baked |
| Experienced | Mentions of the education, career background, and political roles | Seasoned politician, proven leader, proven commodity |
| Inexperienced | Mentions of educational, professional, and political background as inadequate for leadership  | Neophyte, newcomer, rookie, freshman |
| Compassionate | Positive mentions of level of compassion | Compassionate, caring, kind-hearted, graciousness |
| Lack compassion | Negative mentions of level of compassion | Inconsiderate, insensitive, unsympathetic, heavy-handed |
| Likeable | Mentions of likeability | Likeable, friendly, affable, humorous |
| Unlikeable | Mentions of unlikability | Unlikeable, abrasive, sharp-tongued, autocratic |
| Honest | Mentions of honesty | Honest, straightforward, candid, trustworthy, plainspoken |
| Dishonest | Mentions of dishonesty | Dishonest, unreliable, untrustworthy |
| Rational | Mentions of being rational and having self-control | Level-headed, composed, rational, calm |
| Emotional | Mentions of being overly emotional and lacking self-control  | Crying, teary, angry, furious, thumped the table, expletive-laden tirade, stormed off |