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vep16_turnout	Percent turnout of voting eligible population in 2016. From United States Election Project
term_limits	Does state have term limits for legislators? 0 = no, 1 = yes. From National Conference of State Legislatures ²⁰
polarization_house	Polarization in state legislature, measured as distance between party medians in state's House chamber in 2014. From Shor and McCarthy (2015)
polarization_senate	Polarization in state legislature, measured as distance between party medians in state's Senate chamber in 2014. From Shor and McCarthy (2015)
voter_id_law	Voter identification law in effect in 2017. From National Conference of State Legislatures ²¹
state_govt_rank	Overall quality of state government administrative functions (composite of fiscal stability, budget transparency, government digitalization, and state integrity rankings). From <i>U.S. News and World Report</i> ²²
citizen_ideology	Citizen ideology index (2013). Based on Berry, Ringquist, Fording, and Hanson (1998) ²³
legis_prof_score	Legislative professionalism score for 2015. From Squire (2017) ²⁴
legis_prof_rank	Legislative professionalism rank for 2015. From Squire (2017)
hispanic_legis_2015	Percent of state legislators who are Hispanic/Latino (in 2015 session). From National Conference of State Legislatures ²⁵
black_legis_2015	Percent of state legislators who are African American (in 2015 session). From National Conference of State Legislatures ²⁶
demstate_2017	Percent of state legislators who are Democrats (in 2017 session). From National Conference of State Legislatures ²⁷
policy_innovation_rate	Policy adoption rate score (1958–2009) calculated by Boehmke and Skinner (2012) to measure state policy innovativeness. ²⁸ The proportion of all policies that started diffusing in the time period (1959–2009) adopted by each state

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gay_policy	Billman's policy scale (4 ordinal categories)
gay_policy_con	Does state have "most conservative" gay policies?
gay_policy2	RECODE of gay_policy (Billman's policy scale)
gay_support	Lax-Phillips opinion index
gay_support3	Gay rights: public support (3 categories)
lgbtq_equality_laws	Number of laws passed that advance LGBTQ equality, according to 2016 Human Rights Campaign State Equality Index ²⁹

²⁰<http://www.ncsl.org/research/about-state-legislatures/chart-of-term-limits-states.aspx>

²¹<http://www.ncsl.org/research/elections-and-campaigns/voter-id.aspx>

²²<https://www.usnews.com/news/best-states/rankings/government>

²³<https://rcfording.wordpress.com/state-ideology-data/>

²⁴<http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/1532440017713314>

²⁵<http://www.ncsl.org/research/about-state-legislatures/latino-legislators.aspx>

²⁶<http://www.ncsl.org/research/about-state-legislatures/who-we-elect-an-interactive-graphic.aspx>

²⁷<http://www.ncsl.org/research/about-state-legislatures/partisan-composition.aspx>

²⁸<https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataset.xhtml?persistentId=hdl:1902.1/18507>

²⁹<http://www.hrc.org/resources/2016-state-equality-index-view-your-states-scorecard>