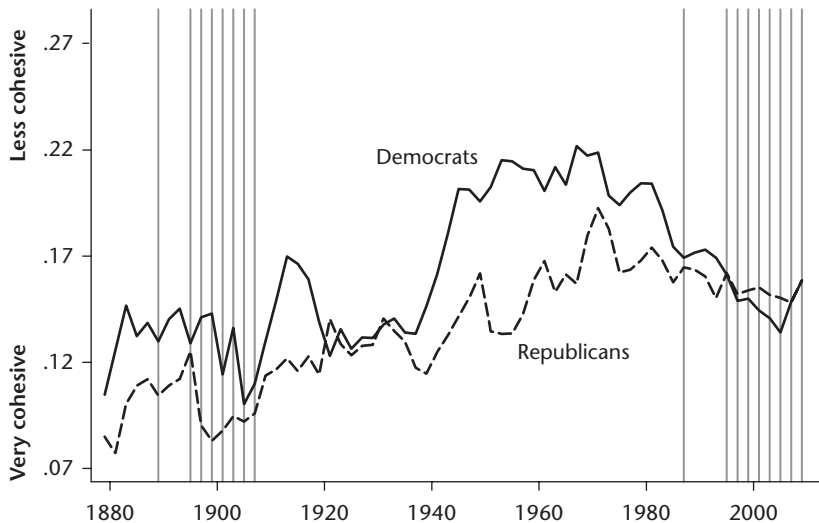


Figure 7-3 Dispersion among House Democrats and Republicans, 1879–2010



Source: Standard deviation of DW-NOMINATE scores (voteview.com). Vertical lines indicate strong Speaker.