

ON LINE APPENDIX

TABLE A1. Descriptive Statistics

Variable	N	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum
<i>Individual-level variables</i>					
Index of political knowledge	29924	2.64	1.49	0	5
Male	29924	0.48	0.50	0	1
Education (years of)	29729	9.00	4.59	0	18
Rural	29924	0.31	0.46	0	1
Big city (big city or capital)	29924	0.41	0.49	0	1
Married/civil partnership	29628	0.59	0.49	0	1
Church attendance	28836	2.12	1.36	0	4
White	28965	0.31	0.46	0	1
Subjective standard of living	29165	2.60	0.84	1	4
Number of children at home	21839	1.96	1.50	0	9
Employed	29845	0.54	0.50	0	1
Age	29847	38.88	15.95	16	99
Political interest	29655	1.02	0.96	0	3
Media news exposure	29420	5.79	2.45	0	12
<i>Contextual variables</i>					
GDP per capita	18	5485.52	3142.55	1458.89	11297.7
Political Rights	18	2.39	0.92	1	4
Disproportionality	18	6.12	3.20	1.32	14.15
Federal	18	0.23	0.40	0	1
Party Age	18	34.19	26.94	5.33	93
% Women in Parliament	18	19.11	8.25	9.3	38.6
Income Equality (female-to-male earned income ratio)	18	0.50	0.10	0.32	0.71

Source: Our elaboration on LAPOP, 2008

TABLE A. 2. Wording of the Questions Used to Create the Index of Political Knowledge.

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- Item 1. What is the name of the current president of the United States?
 - Item 2. What is the name of the president of [Congress] in [country]?
 - Item 3. How many [provinces/regions/states] does [the country] have?
 - Item 4. How long is the presidential term of office in [country]?
 - Item 5. What is the name of the current president of Brazil [*in Brazil: Venezuela*]?
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Source: Our elaboration on LAPOP, 2008

TABLE A.3. Replication of Table 2 with all Independent Variables Shown

VARIABLES	(1) GDP	(2) POL RIGHTS	(3) PARTY AGE	(4) FEDERAL ISM	(5) PROPORT IONALIT Y	(6) WOMEN IN PARL.	(7) GENDER INCOME EQUAL
GENDER (MALE = 1)	0.632*** (0.035)	0.395*** (0.047)	0.580*** (0.029)	0.546*** (0.022)	0.573*** (0.037)	0.654*** (0.044)	0.821*** (0.090)
GDP p/c	-0.000 (0.000)						
Gender * GDP	-0.000*** (0.000)						
Pol Rights		-0.100 (0.102)					
Gender * Pol Rights		0.051*** (0.018)					
Party Age			0.005 (0.003)				
Gender * Party Age			-0.002*** (0.001)				
Federalism				-0.232 (0.224)			
Gender * Federalism				-0.155*** (0.044)			
Disproportionality					-0.027 (0.029)		
Gender * Disproportionality					-0.009 (0.005)		
Parliaments women (%)						0.013 (0.011)	
Gender * Parliamwomen						-0.007*** (0.002)	
Income Equality							0.611 (0.978)
Gender * Income Equality							-0.609*** (0.174)
Education	0.116*** (0.002)	0.116*** (0.002)	0.116*** (0.002)	0.116*** (0.002)	0.116*** (0.002)	0.116*** (0.002)	0.116*** (0.002)
Rural	-0.128*** (0.023)	-0.127*** (0.023)	-0.127*** (0.023)	-0.129*** (0.023)	-0.127*** (0.023)	-0.127*** (0.023)	-0.127*** (0.023)
Big city	0.037 (0.021)	0.037 (0.021)	0.037 (0.021)	0.036 (0.021)	0.037 (0.021)	0.037 (0.021)	0.037 (0.021)
Married/Cohabiting	0.150*** (0.021)	0.150*** (0.021)	0.149*** (0.021)	0.150*** (0.021)	0.150*** (0.021)	0.150*** (0.021)	0.149*** (0.021)
Church Attendance	-0.012 (0.007)	-0.012 (0.007)	-0.012 (0.007)	-0.012 (0.007)	-0.012 (0.007)	-0.012 (0.007)	-0.012 (0.007)
Ethnicity (1 = white)	0.089*** (0.021)	0.087*** (0.021)	0.088*** (0.021)	0.089*** (0.021)	0.087*** (0.021)	0.088*** (0.021)	0.088*** (0.021)
Subj. standard of living	-0.120*** (0.011)	-0.119*** (0.011)	-0.119*** (0.011)	-0.119*** (0.011)	-0.119*** (0.011)	-0.119*** (0.011)	-0.119*** (0.011)
Children at home	-0.021*** (0.006)	-0.021*** (0.006)	-0.021*** (0.006)	-0.021*** (0.006)	-0.021*** (0.006)	-0.021*** (0.006)	-0.021*** (0.006)
Employed	0.035 (0.020)	0.036 (0.020)	0.038 (0.020)	0.036 (0.020)	0.038 (0.020)	0.038 (0.020)	0.033 (0.020)
Age	0.040*** (0.003)	0.040*** (0.003)	0.040*** (0.003)	0.040*** (0.003)	0.040*** (0.003)	0.040*** (0.003)	0.040*** (0.003)

Age ²	-0.000*** (0.000)	-0.000*** (0.000)	-0.000*** (0.000)	-0.000*** (0.000)	-0.000*** (0.000)	-0.000*** (0.000)	-0.000*** (0.000)
Political interest	0.131*** (0.009)	0.131*** (0.009)	0.131*** (0.009)	0.132*** (0.009)	0.132*** (0.009)	0.131*** (0.009)	0.131*** (0.009)
Media news exposure	0.091*** (0.004)	0.091*** (0.004)	0.091*** (0.004)	0.091*** (0.004)	0.091*** (0.004)	0.091*** (0.004)	0.091*** (0.004)
Intercept	0.013 (0.216)	0.157 (0.269)	-0.271 (0.180)	-0.016 (0.136)	0.086 (0.216)	-0.333 (0.246)	-0.387 (0.498)
Var (indiv)	1.318*** (0.013)	1.319*** (0.013)	1.319*** (0.013)	1.318*** (0.013)	1.319*** (0.013)	1.319*** (0.013)	1.32*** (0.013)
Var (country)	0.164*** (0.055)	0.164*** (0.055)	0.156*** (0.052)	0.154*** (0.052)	0.158*** (0.053)	0.162*** (0.054)	0.168*** (0.057)
N Level 1	19,311	19,311	19,311	19,311	19,311	19,311	19,311
N Level 2	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
-2LL	-30115	-30119	-30118	-30117	-30121	-30117	-30117

Source: Our elaboration on LAPOP, 2008. Standard errors in parentheses

*** p<0.01, ** p<0.05

Dependent variable: Index of political knowledge (from 0 to 7). Individual-level independent variables include: Gender (Male = 1; Female = 0); Education (years); Rural (1= rural area); Big city (1 = big city/capital/metropolitan area); Married/cohabiting (dummy variable, ref: single/widow); Church attendance (from 0 = never/almost never to 4 = more than once a week); Ethnicity (1 = white, 0 = others); Subjective standard of living (“The salary you receive and total family income...”; ranges from 1 = “...is enough for you, you can save from it” to 4 = “...is not enough for you, you are having a hard time”); Children at home (number of children currently living with respondent); Labor market position: Employed and Inactive (dummies; ref: homemaker); Political interest (ranges from 0 = not interested at all; 3 = very interested); Media news exposure (summative index of exposure to news on radio, TV, newspapers and internet, each ranging from 0 = never to 3 = every day).

TABLE A.4. Replication of Table 3 with all Independent Variables Shown.

	(11) All Aggregate	(12) Final Model
GENDER (1 = male)	1.261*** (0.168)	1.221*** (0.107)
<i>Cross-level interactions</i>		
GENDER * Party Age	-0.003*** (0.001)	-0.003*** (0.001)
GENDER * Women in Parliaments	-0.009*** (0.002)	-0.009*** (0.002)
GENDER * Income Equality	-0.379** (0.182)	-0.475*** (0.179)
GENDER * Pol Rights	0.003 (0.029)	
GENDER * Federalism	-0.106 (0.072)	
GENDER * GDP	-0.000 (0.000)	
<i>Individual-level interactions</i>		
GENDER * Education	-0.010*** (0.004)	-0.009** (0.004)
GENDER * Rural	-0.182*** (0.044)	-0.156*** (0.044)
GENDER * Big City	-0.139*** (0.041)	-0.149*** (0.041)
GENDER * Ethnicity	-0.036 (0.039)	
<i>Contextual variables</i>		
Party Age	-0.003*** (0.001)	0.008** (0.004)
Women in Parliaments	-0.009*** (0.002)	0.022 (0.011)
Income Equality	-0.385** (0.182)	0.096 (0.913)
Political Rights	0.001 (0.029)	
Federalism	-0.106 (0.072)	
GDP p/c	-0.000 (0.000)	
<i>Individual-level controls</i>		
Education	0.121*** (0.003)	0.121*** (0.003)
Rural Area	-0.046 (0.030)	-0.057 (0.030)
Big City	0.098*** (0.028)	0.103*** (0.028)
Ethnicity (1 = white)	0.102*** (0.026)	0.086*** (0.021)
Married/Cohabiting	0.146*** (0.021)	0.147*** (0.021)

Church Attendance	-0.012 (0.007)	-0.012 (0.007)
Subj. standard of living	-0.121*** (0.011)	-0.120*** (0.011)
Children at home	-0.021*** (0.006)	-0.021*** (0.006)
Employed	0.033 (0.020)	0.033 (0.020)
Age	0.040*** (0.003)	0.040*** (0.003)
Age ²	-0.000*** (0.000)	-0.000*** (0.000)
Political Interest	0.131*** (0.009)	0.131*** (0.009)
Media news exposure	0.091*** (0.004)	0.091*** (0.004)
Intercept	-0.891 (0.779)	-0.907 (0.490)
Var (indiv)	1.314*** (0.013)	1.315*** (0.013)
Var (country)	0.123*** (0.041)	0.137*** (0.046)
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N Level 1	19,311	19,311
N Level 2	18	18
-2LL	-30081	-30090

Source: Our elaboration on LAPOP, 2008

Standard errors in parentheses

*** p<0.01, ** p<0.05

See Table A.3 for a description of dependent and individual-level independent variables.