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Variable name and label	Description	Source and notes
abortion Abortions per 1000 women	Number of legal abortions per 1,000 women aged 15–44, 2000.	Alan Guttmacher Institute (www.guttmacher.org). Lawrence B. Finer and Stanley K. Henshaw, "Abortion Incidence and Services in the United States in 2000," <i>Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health</i> 35 (2003): 6–15.
abortflaw Number of restrictions on abortion	Five variables coded separately and summed: (i) parental involvement = 2, none = 0; (ii) partial birth banned = 2, not = 0; (iii) counseling and waiting period = 2, counseling or waiting period = 1, neither = 0; (iv) public funding limited to life-endangerment/rape/incest = 2, exceptions for health reasons = 1, funding for all or most medically necessary = 0; (v) private insurance coverage limited to life endangerment = 2, providers may refuse to participate = 1, no restrictions = 0. Final variable: 0 (least restrictive) to 10 (most restrictive).	Guttmacher Institute, "State Policies in Brief: An Overview of Abortion Laws" (as of November 1, 2007; www.guttmacher.org/statecenter/spibs/spib_OAL.pdf). <i>Note:</i> All provisions enacted into law, including legally enjoined provisions, are counted as restrictions.
attend Percent frequent church attenders	Percentage attending religious services "every week" or "almost every week."	Pooled National Election Study, 1988–2002. Percentage coded 1 ("every week") or 2 ("almost every week") on question #vcf0130. <i>Note:</i> Thirteen states have fewer than 30 cases and were set to missing values on attend.
battle04 Battleground state	Coded 1 for 2004 battleground states, coded 0 for non-battleground states.	U.S. Department of State (http://usinfo.state.gov/dhr/Archive/2004/Jul/12-250886.html).
blkleg Percent of state legislators who are black	Percent of state legislators who are black, 2003.	National Conference of State Legislatures (www.ncsl.org/programs/legismgt/about/afrAmer.htm).
blkpct Percent black	Percent black or African American, 2004.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/SMADBstate.html).

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bush00 Percent voting for Bush 2000	Number of votes cast for Bush [Gore, Nader] as a percentage of all votes cast.	Federal Election Commission (www.fec.gov/pubrec/fe2000/2000presge.htm).
gore00 Percent voting for Gore 2000		
nader00 Percent voting for Nader 2000		
bush04 Percent voting for Bush 2004	Number of votes cast for Bush [Kerry] as a percentage of all votes cast.	Federal Election Commission (www.fec.gov/pubrec/fe2004/federalelections2004.shtml).
kerry04 Percent voting for Kerry 2004		
carfatal Motor vehicle fatalities (per 100,000 pop)	Motor vehicle fatalities per 100,000 population, 2002.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-13.pdf).
christad Percent of pop who are Christian adherents	Percentage of population who are Christian adherents, 2000.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/statab/tables/07s0075.xls). Dale E. Jones, Sherri Doty, Clifford Grammich, James E. Horsch, Richard Houseal, John P. Marcum, Kenneth M. Sanchagrin, and Richard H. Taylor. 2002. <i>Religious Congregations and Membership in the United States: 2000</i> (Nashville: Glenmary Research Center; www.glenmary.org/grc).
cigarettes Packs bimonthly per adult pop	Bimonthly pack sales per adult pop, 2003.	University of California, San Diego, Social Sciences Data Collection (http://ssdc.ucsd.edu/tobacco/sales/).
cig_tax cig_tax_3 Cigarette tax per pack	Cigarette tax per pack, 2007.	Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids (http://tobaccofreekids.org/).

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college Percent of pop w/college or higher	Percentage of population 25 years and over who have college degrees or higher.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-22.pdf).
cons_hr Conservatism score, US House delegation	Mean American Conservative Union rating of state's delegation to House of Representatives, 2006.	American Conservative Union (http://acuratings.com).
defexpen Federal defense expenditures per capita	Federal defense expenditures per capita, 2003.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-84.pdf).
demnat % US House and Senate Democratic	Number of Democratic House and Senate members as a percentage of total House and Senate delegations, 2006.	American Conservative Union (http://acuratings.com)
dempct_m Percent mass public Democratic	Pooled CBS News/ <i>New York Times</i> poll party identification and ideology estimates, 1977–1999.	Gerald C. Wright, Indiana University. Data used with permission. Robert S. Erikson, Gerald C. Wright, and John P. McIver, <i>Statehouse Democracy</i> (Cambridge, U.K.: Cambridge University Press, 1993).
reppct_m Percent mass public Republican		
indpct_m Percent mass public Independent		
libpct_m Percent mass public Liberal		
modpct_m Percent mass public Moderate		
conpct_m Percent mass public Conservative		

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demstate Percent state legislators Democratic	Number of Democratic state house and senate members as a percentage of total house and senate members, 2006 post-election/2007 pre-election.	National Conference of State Legislatures (www.ncsl.org/statevote/partycomptable2007.htm).
density Population per square mile	Population per square mile, 2005.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-01.pdf).
gb_win00 Did Bush win electoral vote, 2000?	0 = Gore win / 1 = Bush win.	Federal Election Commission (www.fec.gov/).
gb_win04 Did Bush win electoral vote, 2004?	0 = Kerry win / 1 = Bush win.	Federal Election Commission (www.fec.gov/).
hispanic Percent hispanic	Percentage of population Hispanic, 2004.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-05.pdf).
HS_or_more Percent of pop w/HS or higher	Percentage of population 25 years and over with high school degree or higher.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-22.pdf).
over64 Percent of pop age 65 or older	Percentage of population aged 65 or older, 2004.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-04.pdf).
permit Percent public "Always allow" abortion	Percentage responding that abortion should "always" be permitted.	Pooled National Election Study, 1988–2002. Percentage coded 4 on question #vcf0838. <i>Note:</i> Ten states have fewer than 30 cases and were set to missing values on permit.
pop_18_24 Percent age 18-24	Percentage of population aged 18 to 24, 2004.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-04.pdf).
prcapinc Per capita income	Income per capita, 2004.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-43.pdf).

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relig_import Percent religion "A great deal of guidance"	Percentage responding that religion provides "a great deal of guidance" in life.	Pooled National Election Study, 1984-2004. Percentage coded 3 on question #vcf0847. <i>Note:</i> Twelve states have fewer than 30 cases and were set to missing values on relig_import.
turnout00 turnout04	Number of voters as a percentage of 2000 [2004] voting age population.	Committee for the Study of the American Electorate, press release, November 4, 2004 (http://american.edu/ia/cdem/csae/pdfs/csae041104.pdf).
unemploy Unemployment rate	Percent unemployed of the civilian labor force, 2004.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-29.pdf).
union Percent workers who are union members	Percentage of workers who are members of a labor union, 2004.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-33.pdf).
urban Percent urban pop	Percentage of population in urban areas, 2000.	U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/TableA-02.pdf).
womleg Percent of state legislators who are women	Percentage of state legislators who are women, 2007.	Center for American Women and Politics (www.cawp.rutgers.edu/Facts/Officeholders/stleg.pdf).