

ANNEX D

Contextual factors

This section provides data on administrative and institutional features of each country, including: the composition and electoral system of the legislature, the structure of the executive branch, the division of power between one central and several regional or local governments, and key characteristics of the judicial system. It also provides basic data on population and GDP for 2015 and data on the number of municipalities, provinces, states and/or regions.

Political and institutional frameworks influence those who formulate and implement policy responses to the challenges faced by governments. For example, the type of electoral system employed has a number of potential consequences on the nature and tenure of government, including the diversity of views represented and the ability of the legislature to create and amend laws. Major differences in legislative institutions can affect the way a country's bureaucratic system works. The extent that power is shared between the legislative and executive branches, exemplified by the system of executive power (parliamentary, presidential or dual executive), the frequency of elections and term limits, the ease of constitutional amendments, and the ability of the judiciary to review the constitutionality of laws and actions, set the constraints within which policies and reforms can be enacted and implemented. The way that governments are structured, including the division of responsibilities vertically (across levels of governments) and horizontally (between Departments or Ministries), is a key factor underlying the organisational capacity of government. Different structures and responsibilities require different sets of competencies, including oversight, monitoring and evaluation and co-ordination.

While many contextual factors are products of a country's historical development and cannot be easily changed by policy makers, they can be used to identify countries with similar political and administrative structures for comparison and benchmarking purposes. In addition, for countries considering different policies and reforms, the indicators can illustrate structural differences that may affect their passage and implementation.

Methodology and definitions

With the exception of data on population and GDP, all information is from member country constitutions and websites. GDP data are from the IMF World Economic Outlook Database, April 2015 except for data for Mexico and Chile which are from OECD National Accounts Statistics (SNA).

Federal states have a constitutionally delineated division of political authority between one central and several regional or state autonomous governments. While unitary states often include multiple levels of government (such as local and provincial or regional), these administrative divisions are not constitutionally defined.

Under the parliamentary form of executive power, the executive is usually the head of the dominant party in the legislature and appoints members of that party or coalition parties to serve as

Ministers. The executive is accountable to Parliament, who can end the executive's term through a vote of no confidence. Several countries with parliamentary systems also have a president, whose powers are predominately ceremonial in nature. Under the presidential system, the executive and members of the legislature seek election independently of one another. Ministers are not elected members of the legislature but are nominated by the president and may be approved by the legislature. The dual executive system combines a powerful president with an executive responsible to the legislature, both responsible for the day-to-day activities of the state. It differs from the presidential system in that the cabinet (although named by the president) is responsible to the legislature, which may force the cabinet to resign through a motion of no confidence.

Data on the frequency of governments cover the period between 1 January 1995 and 31 December 2015. A coalition government is defined as the joint rule of executive functions by two or more political parties. The number of governments is determined by the number of terms served by the head of the executive branch (where a term is either defined by a change in the executive or an election that renewed support for the current government). Data on the frequency of coalition governments are only applicable for countries that have a parliamentary or dual executive.

A Ministry is an organisation in the executive branch that is responsible for a sector of public administration. Common examples include the Ministries of Health, Education and Finance. While sub-national governments may also be organised into Ministries, the data only refer to central government. Ministers advise the executive and are in charge of either one or more Ministries, or a portfolio of government duties. In most parliamentary systems, Ministers are drawn from the legislature and keep their seats. In most presidential systems, Ministers are not elected officials and are appointed by the president. The data refer to the number of Ministers that comprise the cabinet at the central level of government and exclude Deputy Ministers.

Bicameral legislatures have two chambers (usually an Upper House and a Lower House), whereas unicameral legislatures are composed of only a Lower House. Electoral systems are usually characterised as single member (First Past the Post or Preferential and Two-Round) or multi member (Proportional Representation or Semi-Proportional Representation). The types of electoral systems are defined as follows:

Under First Past the Post, the winner is the candidate with the most votes but not necessarily an absolute majority of votes.

Under Preferential and Two-Round, the winner is the candidate who receives an absolute majority (i.e. over 50%) of votes. If no candidate receives over 50% of votes during the first round of voting, the Preferential system makes use of voters' second preferences while the Two-Round system uses a second round of voting to produce a winner.

Proportional Representation (PR) systems allocate parliamentary seats based on a party's share of national votes.

Semi-proportional systems feature attributes of both single-member and PR systems. They allow two votes per person: one for a candidate running in the voter's district and one for a party. As in PR, party seats are allocated proportional to the party's share of national votes.

Data on the frequency of elections reflect statutory requirements. In reality, elections may be held more frequently in parliamentary systems if governments collapse. Judicial review refers to the ability of the courts or a separate body to review the constitutionality of laws and actions. It is usually enshrined in the constitution. In countries with limited judicial review, the courts only have the ability to review the constitutionality of specific types of laws or actions or under specific circumstances.

Argentina

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	43.1
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	964.3
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Federal
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	24
Local	2065
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	8
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	11
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	9
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	20
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	20
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	Yes
Frequency of elections (in years)	6
Size – Number of seats	72
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – number of seats	257
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Bahamas

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	0.4
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	9.2
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	Not applicable
Local	32
System of executive power	Parliamentary
Head of state	Monarch
Head of government	Prime Minister
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	No
Term limit (years)	Not applicable
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	4
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	4
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	21
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	12
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	No
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – Number of seats	16
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Single – First Past the Post
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – number of seats	38
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Belize

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	0.4
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	3.1
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	6
Local	201
System of executive power	Parliamentary
Head of state	Monarch
Head of government	Prime Minister
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	No
Term limit (years)	Not applicable
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	5
Number of coalition governments	0
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	3
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	14
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	14
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	No
Frequency of elections (in years)	Not applicable
Size – Number of seats	13
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Single – First Past the Post
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – number of seats	29
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Brazil

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	204.5
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	3.207.9
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Federal
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	27
Provincial	Not applicable
Local	5.570
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	8
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	6
Number of coalition governments	2
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	3
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	23
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	23
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	Yes
Frequency of elections (in years)	8
Size – Number of seats	81
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – number of seats	512
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Chile

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	18.0
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	424.3
Member of the OECD	Yes
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	15
Provincial	54
Local	346
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	4
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	5
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	5
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	23
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	23
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	No
Frequency of elections (in years)	8
Size – Number of seats	38
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – number of seats	120
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Colombia

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	48.2
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	665.0
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	5
Provincial	24
Local	1122
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	4
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	6
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	4
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	16
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	16
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	Yes
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – Number of seats	102
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – number of seats	166
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Costa Rica

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	4.8
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	74.1
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	7
Local	81
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	4
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	6
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	6
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	21
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	17
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	No
Membership based on regional considerations?	Not applicable
Frequency of elections (in years)	Not applicable
Size – Number of seats	Not applicable
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – number of seats	57
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Dominican Republic

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	10.0
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	147.6
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	32
Local	155
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	8
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	6
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	5
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	22
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	22
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	Yes
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – Number of seats	32
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – number of seats	195
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Ecuador

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	16.3
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	181.8
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	24
Local	221
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	8
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	10
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	10
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	28
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	28
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	No
Membership based on regional considerations?	Not applicable
Frequency of elections (in years)	Not applicable
Size – Number of seats	Not applicable
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Single – First Past the Post
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – number of seats	137
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Limited judicial review

El Salvador

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	6.4
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	52.9
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	14
Local	262
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	5
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	5
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	5
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	14
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	14
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	No
Membership based on regional considerations?	Not applicable
Frequency of elections (in years)	Not applicable
Size – Number of seats	Not applicable
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	3
Size – number of seats	84
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Guatemala

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	16.3
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	125.6
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	22
Local	335
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	4
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	7
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	7
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	14
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	14
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	No
Membership based on regional considerations?	Not applicable
Frequency of elections (in years)	Not applicable
Size – Number of seats	Not applicable
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Semi-Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – number of seats	158
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Haiti

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	10.6
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	19.0
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	10
Local	145
System of executive power	Dual executive
Head of state	President
Head of government	Prime Minister
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	5
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	14
Number of coalition governments	2
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	14
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	18
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	18
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	Yes
Frequency of elections (in years)	6
Size – Number of seats	30
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Single – Two rounds
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – number of seats	119
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Limited judicial review

Honduras

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	8.4
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	41.0
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	18
Local	298
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	4
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	7
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	7
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	9
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	7
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	No
Membership based on regional considerations?	Not applicable
Frequency of elections (in years)	Not applicable
Size – Number of seats	Not applicable
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	4
Size – number of seats	128
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Limited judicial review

Jamaica

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	2.8
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	24.6
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	Not applicable
Local	14
System of executive power	Parliamentary
Head of state	Monarch
Head of government	Prime Minister
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	No
Term limit (years)	Not applicable
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	7
Number of coalition governments	0
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	5
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	19
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	19
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	No
Frequency of elections (in years)	Not applicable
Size – Number of seats	21
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Single – First Past the Post
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – number of seats	63
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Mexico

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	121.1
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	2.220.1
Member of the OECD	Yes
State structure	Federal
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	32
Provincial	Not applicable
Local	2445
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	6
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	4
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	4
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	20
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	20
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	Yes
Frequency of elections (in years)	6
Size – Number of seats	128
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Semi-Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	3
Size – number of seats	500
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Panama

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	4.0
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	82.2
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	12
Local	77
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	5
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	5
Number of coalition governments	Not applicable
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	5
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	15
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	14
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	No
Membership based on regional considerations?	Not applicable
Frequency of elections (in years)	Not applicable
Size – Number of seats	Not applicable
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Semi-Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – number of seats	71
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Paraguay

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	7.0
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	60.8
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	18
Local	238
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	5
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	7
Number of coalition governments	3
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	7
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	11
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	11
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	No
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – Number of seats	45
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – number of seats	80
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Peru

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	31.9
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	385.4
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	26
Provincial	196
Local	1831
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	5
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	7
Number of coalition governments	1
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	5
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	18
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	18
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	No
Membership based on regional considerations?	Not applicable
Frequency of elections (in years)	Not applicable
Size – Number of seats	Not applicable
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – number of seats	130
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Suriname

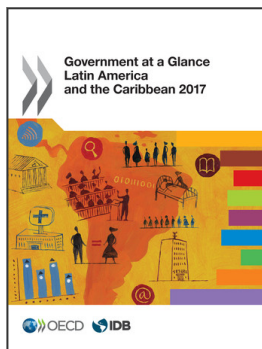
Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	0.6
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	9.2
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	10
Local	62
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	No
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	4
Number of coalition governments	2012 – 1
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	4
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	17
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	17
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	No
Membership based on regional considerations?	Not applicable
Frequency of elections (in years)	Not applicable
Size – Number of seats	Not applicable
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Single – Preferential
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – number of seats	51
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Limited judicial review

Trinidad and Tobago

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	1.4
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	44.3
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	9
Provincial	Not applicable
Local	5
System of executive power	Parliamentary
Head of state	President
Head of government	Prime Minister
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	10
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	5
Number of coalition governments	1
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	5
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	21
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	20
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	No
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – Number of seats	31
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Single – Preferential
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – number of seats	42
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review

Uruguay

Population mid-2015 estimate (in millions)	3.4
GDP in 2015 (PPP in USD billion at current prices)	74.2
Member of the OECD	No
State structure	Unitary
Number of tiers of government	
State/regional	Not applicable
Provincial	19
Local	89
System of executive power	Presidential
Head of state	President
Head of government	President
Existence of term limits for presidents	
Is there a president?	Yes
Term limit (years)	5
Governments at the central level between 1995 and 2015	
Total number of governments	6
Number of coalition governments	2
Number of executives serving non-consecutive terms	6
Number of Ministers at the central level of government (2015)	13
Number of Ministries or Departments at the central level of government (2015)	13
Upper House (central government)	
Existence	Yes
Membership based on regional considerations?	No
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – Number of seats	31
Lower House (central government)	
Electoral system	Multi Member – Proportional
Frequency of elections (in years)	5
Size – number of seats	99
Existence of system of judicial review of the constitutionality of laws and actions	Judicial review



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