

Appendix 1: Alternative Models

Table A1.1 below presents the results of the multinomial logistic regressions differentiating between committees based on their type of output, ran separately for each term. The committee seniority variable for the 1992-1996 term is missing from the model because it was coded 0 for all MPs, given that the 1990-1992 Parliament acted as a Constituent Assembly and the work in parliamentary committees was very limited.

Table A1.1: Determinants of assignment by type of committee output

	Public Goods					High policy					Distributive				
	1992	1996	2000	2004	2008	1992	1996	2000	2004	2008	1992	1996	2000	2004	2008
Sector	1.95***	1.57**	2.19***	1.72***	1.39**	0.98	0.95	1.28	1.17	1.08	1.22	0.93	1.45**	1.65***	1.64***
knowledge	(0.39)	(0.31)	(0.42)	(0.30)	(0.22)	(0.16)	(0.15)	(0.20)	(0.17)	(0.16)	(0.30)	(0.17)	(0.26)	(0.28)	(0.27)
Com.		1.38	1.82	2.25*	0.83		4.43**	1.62	1.63	2.18**		2.00	7.61***	0.89	3.67***
seniority		(1.07)	(0.94)	(0.97)	(0.46)		(2.94)	(0.75)	(0.61)	(0.76)		(1.52)	(4.82)	(0.46)	(1.79)
Length parl.	1.33	0.93	1.02	0.89*	1.00	0.64	0.96	0.97	0.98	0.97	1.71	1.01	0.76**	0.91	0.90*
career	(1.10)	(0.12)	(0.07)	(0.06)	(0.06)	(0.36)	(0.11)	(0.07)	(0.04)	(0.04)	(1.02)	(0.13)	(0.09)	(0.06)	(0.05)
Chamber	0.39	1.10	1.10	0.57	1.39	0.85	0.68	1.50	0.88	1.80	0.00***	1.60	2.39	2.06	2.45
office	(0.43)	(1.00)	(1.46)	(0.34)	(0.90)	(0.44)	(0.45)	(1.43)	(0.34)	(0.80)	(0.00)	(1.36)	(2.43)	(1.23)	(1.43)
National	1.01	0.85	0.66	1.55	0.63	1.01	1.06	1.12	1.45	1.43	0.86	1.06	0.57	0.49*	0.53
leader	(0.45)	(0.43)	(0.26)	(0.50)	(0.24)	(0.39)	(0.39)	(0.34)	(0.34)	(0.43)	(0.49)	(0.44)	(0.24)	(0.20)	(0.21)
Electoral	0.04	0.03	0.13	0.44	2.06	190.50*	2.97	3.49	1.97	2.31	0.09	0.01	0.04	25.30*	3.38
security	(0.18)	(0.09)	(0.35)	(0.69)	(1.99)	(572.7)	(6.71)	(7.40)	(2.88)	(1.78)	(0.40)	(0.02)	(0.11)	(46.60)	(3.50)
District M.	1.89	3.40*	1.20	1.53	1.14	1.53	1.13	1.08	1.13	1.67*	2.74	1.09	0.83	1.48	1.33
(log)	(1.12)	(2.18)	(0.39)	(0.48)	(0.36)	(0.84)	(0.56)	(0.36)	(0.27)	(0.45)	(2.08)	(0.63)	(0.36)	(0.55)	(0.42)
Female	3.37	2.34	0.71	1.21	2.17**	0.36	0.76	0.38**	0.54*	0.46**	0.00***	0.29	0.26**	0.17**	0.51
MP	(3.85)	(1.74)	(0.29)	(0.46)	(0.72)	(0.47)	(0.47)	(0.14)	(0.19)	(0.16)	(0.00)	(0.33)	(0.16)	(0.13)	(0.26)
Age	1.01	1.04*	1.04**	1.02	1.03	0.97	0.96**	1.01	1.01	1.00	0.98	1.01	1.04*	1.01	1.04**
	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)
% work.	1.03	1.05**	1.00	0.99	1.01	1.03	1.02	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.09***	1.04*	1.00	1.01	1.03*
in agriculture	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.04)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.02)
%	1.24**	0.93	1.04	1.01	0.98	0.87	1.03	0.96	0.95	1.07	0.85	1.00	1.10*	1.06	1.08
unemployed	(0.13)	(0.07)	(0.05)	(0.07)	(0.09)	(0.09)	(0.06)	(0.05)	(0.04)	(0.08)	(0.11)	(0.07)	(0.06)	(0.07)	(0.09)
N	238	288	364	469	473	238	288	364	469	473	238	288	364	469	473
McFadden's R ²	0.098	0.076	0.075	0.059	0.069	0.098	0.076	0.075	0.059	0.069	0.098	0.076	0.075	0.059	0.069

Notes: Significance at * p < 0.10, ** p < 0.05, ***p < 0.01

Cell entries are relative risk ratios. Robust standard errors clustered by MP in parentheses

Table A1.2 below presents the term by term results of the ordered logistic regressions differentiating between committees based on their importance, as perceived by legislators.

Table A1.2: Who gets assigned to the most important committees?

	1992	1996	2000	2004	2008
Sector knowledge	1.55*** (0.19)	1.58*** (0.19)	1.91*** (0.24)	1.46*** (0.15)	1.67*** (0.17)
Committee seniority		0.99 (0.46)	1.78* (0.62)	1.18 (0.32)	1.79** (0.50)
Length of parliamentary career	0.91 (0.21)	1.11 (0.10)	0.94 (0.05)	0.93** (0.03)	0.95* (0.03)
Chamber office	0.98 (0.60)	1.06 (0.67)	0.74 (0.39)	1.21 (0.39)	1.00 (0.39)
National leader	1.02 (0.30)	0.74 (0.19)	0.54*** (0.12)	0.86 (0.18)	0.68* (0.15)
Electoral security	0.24 (0.65)	0.06 (0.11)	1.03 (1.18)	1.97 (2.20)	4.59** (2.80)
District magnitude (log)	1.58 (0.62)	1.29 (0.48)	1.05 (0.23)	0.83 (0.17)	0.71 (0.15)
Female MP	0.29 (0.36)	0.98 (0.62)	0.48*** (0.14)	0.64 (0.19)	0.71 (0.19)
Age	0.95*** (0.01)	1.00 (0.01)	1.00 (0.01)	1.00 (0.01)	0.99 (0.01)
% working. in agriculture in constituency	1.02 (0.01)	1.00 (0.01)	0.99 (0.01)	1.00 (0.01)	1.00 (0.01)
% unemployed in constituency	0.97 (0.06)	1.03 (0.04)	1.00 (0.03)	1.02 (0.04)	0.97 (0.05)
N	238	288	364	469	473
McFadden's R ²	0.055	0.035	0.076	0.027	0.05

Notes: Significance at * p < 0.10, ** p < 0.05, ***p < 0.01

Cell entries are odds ratios. Robust standard errors clustered by MP in parentheses.