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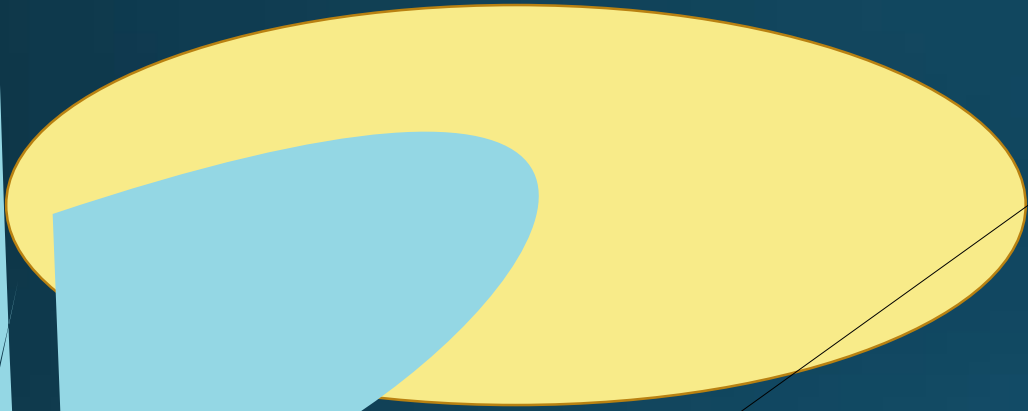
- Differences between political systems and the outcome of the pandemic

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Explaining the Outcome of the Pandemic

Independent variables

Dependent variable



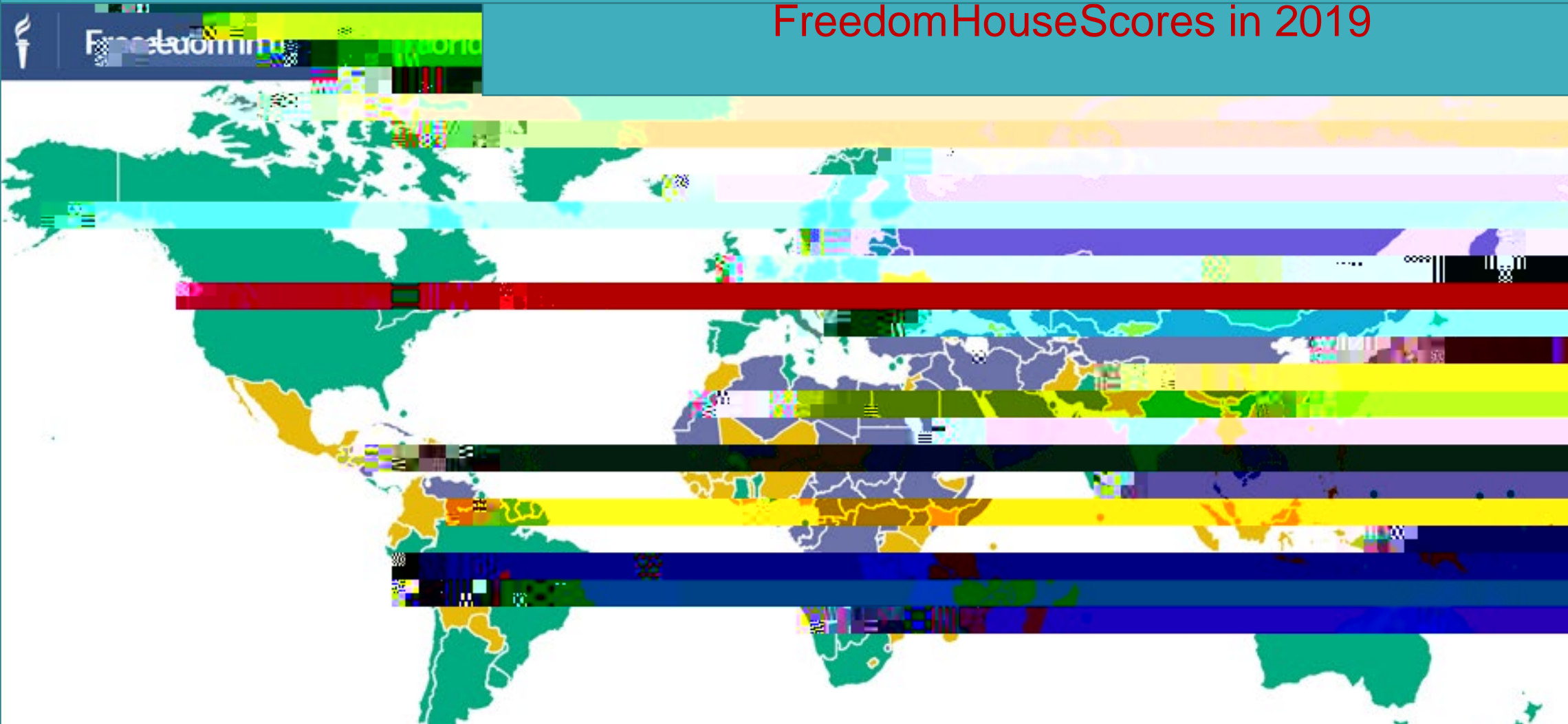
State Capacity Matters

Source: Fenner (2017) (Duke of Mineral Economics Journal 42, 111-130)

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Regime types and the COVID-19 pandemic

FreedomHouseScores in 2019

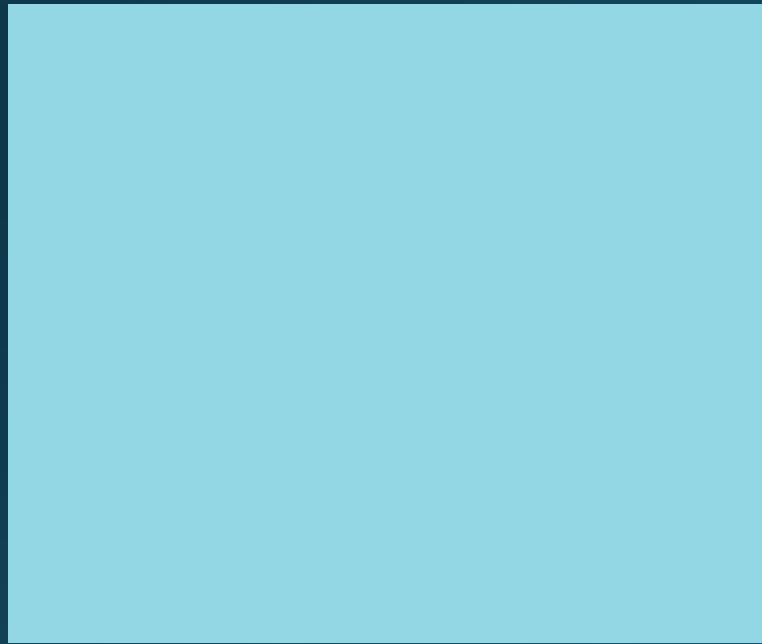


Electoral Democratic Regimes

(also called midrange democracies or illiberal democracies)

Minimalist features of democracy

Impact of the Pandemic on Democracy



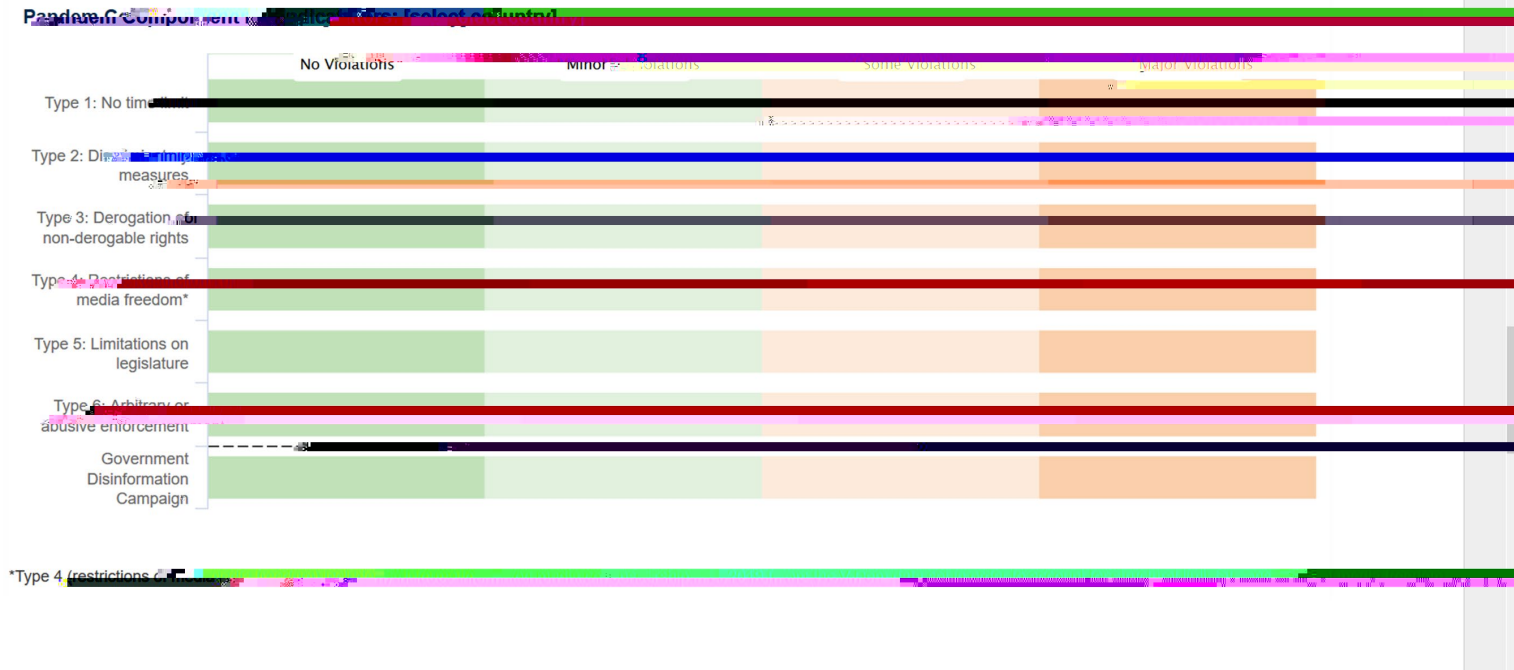
Important Caveats

1. Democratic “backsliding” (autocratization or democratic erosion) was already occurring in the world (began around 14 years ago):

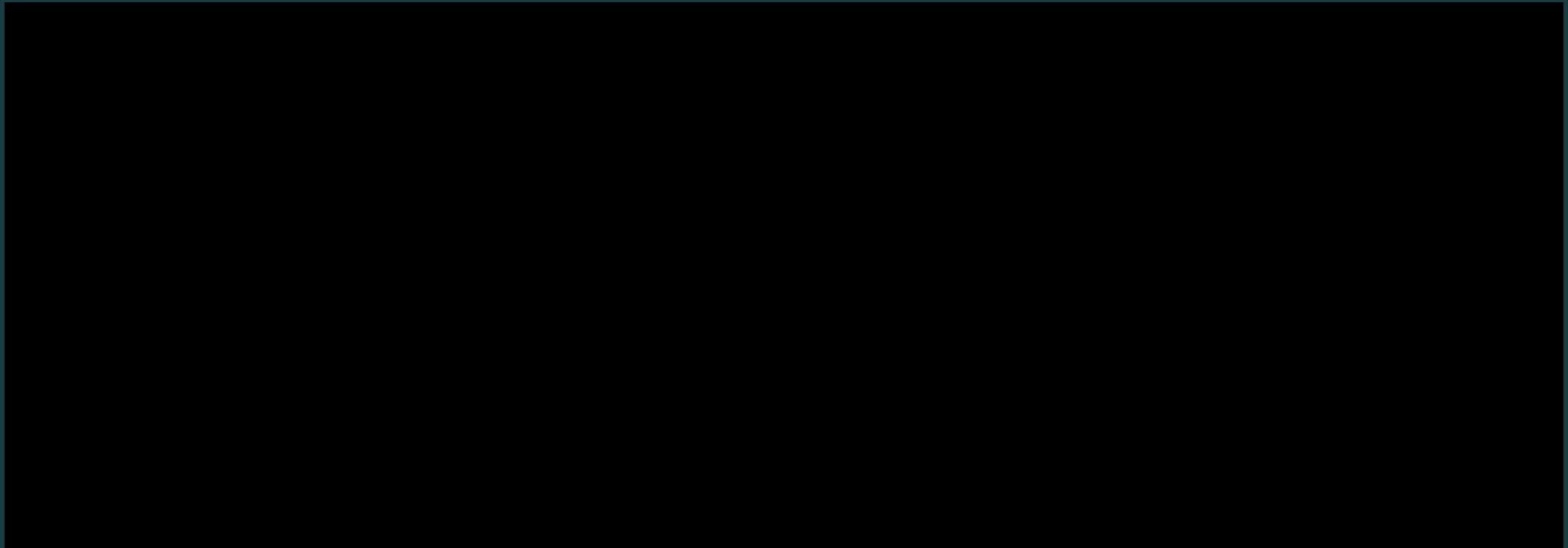
Pandemic Democratic Violations Index

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Pandemic Democratic Violations Index Components (V-Democracy Institute)



Global Monitor of COVID19's Impact on
Democracy and Human Rights (International IDEA)



International IDEA Monitoring Examples (Electoral Democracies)

- Regime Type

Specific Effects on Democracy

South Africa investigates allegations of corruption linked to billions in coronavirus relief

ABC/AP Posted 26 July 2020

The money meant to be used to support South Africa's 57 million people has been linked to widespread corruption allegations (Reuters: Siphwe Sibeko)

South Africa's COVID-19 response has been marred by corruption allegations around its historic \$36.6 billion economic relief package. As the country with the world's fifth highest number of COVID

Challenges for 617 Tm 66m r c r

Citizens and civil society

(democracy cannot exist without citizens)

What will be citizens' political behavior?

Questions?