

#49 – Our World in Data – Democracy

Short description

Type of object: Dataset

Source (organisation): Our World in Data, independent, open access organisation

Issues:

- [Participatory Democracy](#)
- [Voter Turnout](#)
- [Civil society participation](#)
- [Citizen satisfaction with democracy](#)
- [Citizen support for democracy](#)

Time span: Ample. Most items range for several decades

Geographical coverage: Global

Link: <https://ourworldindata.org/charts#democracy>

Note/Interpretations

“[Many more people than in the past have democratic rights](#). But now there is growing concern that this progress is currently being partially undone. [...] the [leading approaches](#) to measuring democracy indicate that the world has become less democratic in recent years. Democracy is in decline, whether we look at big changes in the number of democracies and the people living in them; at small changes in the extent of democratic rights; or at medium-sized changes in the number of, and people living in, countries that are autocratizing.”

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