

Supplementary Online-Only Material

All policies collected by the research team were required to have a standardized series of datapoints coded in their entry into the database (see Supplementary Table 1).

Supplementary Table 1. Information collected on policies included in the dataset

Information Collected	Description
Policy Title	Title of the policy, in English. For policies written in languages other than English, translation software was used to translate the title into English.
Document Subtitle	For policies that contained subtitles, the subtitle was included. For policies written in languages other than English, translation software was used to translate the subtitle into English.
Authoring Country	National government of the country or Supranational Union authoring the document.
All Applicable Countries	Countries that the policy applied to. For a policy published by a national government, the applicable country would match the Authoring Country.
Language	Language that the document was published in.
Original Language Title	Title of the document in the original language of publication.
File Source URL	URL to the online source that the document was originally surfaced from.
File Publish Date	Date that the online version of the file was published.
Document Description	Brief summary of key points from the policy and was written by the research team.
Document Type	Category of policy, as defined in Supplementary Table 2.
Date of Original Publication	Initial date of policy publication.
Date Entered into Force	Date that the law became enforceable within the jurisdiction of the authoring entity.

Supplementary Table 2: Policy categorizations

Policy Category	Description
Legislation	<p>Legislation refers to the preparation and enactment of laws by a legislative body through its lawmaking process.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law A law is a body of rules of action or conduct prescribed by controlling authority, and having binding legal force. • Act An act is a term for a formal body of law. A bill that is enacted is called an act or statute. • Statute A statute is a law written and enacted by a legislative body. An organized set of statutes are also referred to as a code. • Code Legal code is a set of laws or statutes gathered together, generally grouped on a thematic basis, that have each been formally adopted by a legislative body.
Regulation	A regulation is an official rule with the full weight of the law. Regulations are written and issued by executive agencies to supplement laws, rather than by a legislative branch of government.
Treaty	A formal, legally binding agreement that establishes obligations between two or more entities (typically countries or international organizations).
Supporting Document	Documents, information, and communications which are provided to the legislature for use in considering laws and regulations.
Other	Any type of document which is not categorized as Legislation or Regulation, including decrees, orders, ordinances, directives, measures, and resolutions.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Decree A decree is a legal proclamation which has the force of law. It is usually issued by a head of state, such as a president or monarch.• Order The definition of this term varies widely by jurisdiction, and users should verify the functional definition in each country or locality. Often, an order is an enforceable decision issued by a court or executive body.• Ordinance An ordinance is a piece of legislation adopted by a municipality or a city/town government.• Directive A directive is a legislative act of the European Union (EU) that sets out a goal that all EU countries must achieve. It remains up to the individual countries to develop their own laws to reach these goals.• Measure A measure means any law, regulation, procedure, requirement or practice.• Resolution A resolution is a formal statement of opinion or decision to take an action by a legislative body.
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